

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 3115

By: Hardin

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9 An Act relating to the Department of Corrections;  
10 amending 57 O.S. 2021, Section 506, which relates to  
11 Oklahoma Corrections Act of 1967; modifying  
12 qualifications of the Director of the Department of  
13 Corrections; providing term of service and  
14 reappointment; deleting removal or replacement power  
15 of the Governor; and providing an effective date.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2021, Section 506, is  
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 506. There is hereby created the position of Director  
20 of the Department of Corrections. The Director shall be qualified  
21 for such position by character, knowledge, skill, ability,  
22 education, training and successful administrative experience and  
23 shall either be certified as a peace officer in this state by the  
24 Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training, or shall have

1 ~~five (5)~~ ten (10) years of ~~professional level~~ corrections work. The  
2 Director ~~of Corrections~~ shall be appointed by the Governor with the  
3 advice and consent of the Senate and shall serve ~~at the pleasure of~~  
4 ~~the Governor and may be removed or replaced without cause~~ for a term  
5 of five (5) years. The Director may serve more than one term and  
6 may be reappointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of  
7 the Senate. Compensation for the Director shall be determined by  
8 the Governor. The Director may be removed from office by a two-  
9 thirds (2/3) vote of the members elected to and constituting each  
10 chamber of the Legislature.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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