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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 3619

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An Act relating to the state geographic information; amending 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.11.5, which relates to the Oklahoma State Government Geographic Information One-Stop Initiative; directing for geodata to be published on the Office of Geographic Information's website or another State of Oklahoma-affiliated website; amending 82 O.S. 2021, Section 1501-205.1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 88, O.S.L. 2022 (82 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 1501-205.1), which relates to the duties of the State Geographic Information Council; adding the Oklahoma 9-1-1 Coordinator to the Council; modifying Council membership; amending 82 O.S. 2021, Section 1501-205.3, which relates to duties of the Office of Geographic Information; directing the Office to conduct leaf-off aerial imagery; directing the Office to use results of leaf-off aerial imagery to update current authoritative jurisdictional county boundary data layer; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.11.5, is amended to read as follows:

Section 34.11.5. A. There is hereby established the "Oklahoma State Government Geographic Information One-Stop Initiative".

1 B. The State Geographic Information Coordinator shall develop
2 and maintain an online web presence ~~at the web address~~
3 ~~"maps.ok.gov"~~. The ~~site~~ website shall allow public access to
4 geodata described in this section.

5 C. The State Geographic Information Coordinator shall
6 promulgate procedures by which each state agency, board, commission
7 and public trust having the State of Oklahoma as a beneficiary shall
8 submit geodata to the Office of Geographic Information to be
9 published on ~~the "maps.ok.gov"~~ its website created in subsection B
10 of this section or another State of Oklahoma-affiliated website.

11 D. For the purposes of this section, the term "geodata" shall
12 mean information which can be presented as a component of a
13 geographic or spatial presentation.

14 E. State agencies, boards, commissions and public trusts having
15 the State of Oklahoma as a beneficiary shall comply with procedures
16 promulgated pursuant to the terms of this section.

17 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2021, Section 1501-205.1,
18 as amended by Section 1, Chapter 88, O.S.L. 2022 (82 O.S. Supp.
19 2025, Section 1501-205.1), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 1501-205.1. A. As used in this section and in Sections
21 1501-205.2 and 1501-205.3 of this title:

22 1. "Geographic information" means any data or databases in
23 which location or spatial distribution is an essential element
24 including, but not limited to, land, air, water, and mineral

1 resources, the distribution of plant, animal, and human populations,
2 real property interests, zoning and other land development
3 regulations, and political, jurisdictional, ownership, and other
4 artificial divisions of geography;

5 2. "Geographic Information System" or "GIS" means computer
6 systems that allow the analysis of data or databases containing
7 geographic information; and

8 3. "Statewide data" means geographic information whose spatial
9 extent is defined by the geographic boundary of this state.

10 B. There is hereby created a State Geographic Information
11 Council composed of ~~nineteen (19)~~ twenty (20) members as follows:

12 1. Executive Director of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission
13 or designee;

14 2. Executive Director of the Department of Environmental
15 Quality or designee;

16 3. Chair of the Corporation Commission or designee;

17 4. ~~Director of the Oklahoma Department~~ Secretary of Commerce or
18 designee;

19 5. Commissioner of ~~the Oklahoma Department of~~ Agriculture,
20 Food, and Forestry or designee;

21 6. Executive Director of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board or
22 designee;

23 7. Executive Director of the Department of Transportation or
24 designee;

1 8. ~~State Geographer or designee~~ Oklahoma 9-1-1 Coordinator from
2 the Oklahoma 9-1-1 Management Authority or designee;

3 9. Director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey or designee;

4 10. Director of the Center for Spatial Analysis of the
5 University of Oklahoma or designee;

6 11. Dean of the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural
7 Resources of Oklahoma State University or designee;

8 12. Director of the Ad Valorem Division of the Oklahoma Tax
9 Commission or designee;

10 13. A member appointed by the Executive Director of the
11 Oklahoma Conservation Commission from a list of names submitted to
12 the Director from the Oklahoma regional universities;

13 14. ~~Director of~~ State Chief Information ~~Services~~ Officer of the
14 Office of Management and Enterprise Services or designee;

15 15. ~~State~~ Director of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife
16 Conservation ~~Director~~ or designee;

17 16. Director of the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security or
18 designee; ~~and~~

19 17. A representative of a statewide GIS professional
20 organization appointed by the Executive Director of the Oklahoma
21 Conservation Commission from a list of names submitted to the
22 Director from the State Geographic Information Council; and

23 18. Three members to be appointed by the Governor pursuant to
24 subsection C of this section.

1 C. The Governor shall appoint three members to the Council to
2 serve initial terms as specified by this subsection. Thereafter,
3 the terms of all appointed members shall be four (4) years.
4 Gubernatorial members shall not be appointed to more than three
5 successive terms. Members that are appointed by the Governor to
6 fill a vacancy may serve three successive terms. No appointment to
7 a partial term to fill a vacancy shall be counted for purposes of
8 determining term limits. Incumbent members may continue to serve on
9 the Council until a new appointment is made. The following members
10 shall be appointed by the Governor:

11 1. A representative of the Oklahoma Association of Regional
12 Councils, appointed for an initial four-year term;

13 2. A representative of county assessors, appointed for an
14 initial three-year term; and

15 3. A representative of city government, appointed for an
16 initial two-year term.

17 D. The chair of the Council shall be the Executive Director of
18 the Oklahoma Conservation Commission or designee. Meetings shall be
19 called by the chair.

20 E. 1. A majority of the membership of the Council constitutes
21 a quorum for the conduct of business.

22 2. The Council shall meet at least twice each year, and the
23 chair may call a meeting of the Council as often as necessary to
24 transact business.

1 F. A member of the Council shall not:

2 1. Be an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a business
3 entity that has, or an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a
4 trade association for business entities that have, a substantial
5 interest in the geographic information industry and are doing
6 business with state agencies or other governmental units of the
7 state;

8 2. Own, control, or have, directly or indirectly, more than ten
9 percent (10%) interest in a business entity that has a substantial
10 interest in the geographic information industry and is doing
11 business with state agencies or other governmental units of the
12 state;

13 3. Be an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a business
14 entity that is connected with any contract or bid for furnishing to
15 any governmental body of the state with Geographic Information
16 Systems, the computers on which they are automated, or a service
17 related to Geographic Information Systems;

18 4. Be a person required to register as a lobbyist because of
19 activities for compensation on behalf of a business entity that has,
20 or on behalf of a trade association of business entities that have,
21 a substantial interest in the geographic information industry; or

22 5. Accept or receive money or another thing of value from an
23 individual, firm, or corporation to whom a contract may be awarded,
24 directly or indirectly, by rebate, gift or otherwise.

1 G. The duties of the Council shall include overseeing the
2 Office of Geographic Information concerning the following:

3 1. Development, adoption, and recommendation of standards and
4 procedures that may be applied to geographic information and
5 Geographic Information Systems to promote consistency of data
6 elements;

7 2. Development of a strategy for the implementation and funding
8 of a statewide Geographic Information System;

9 3. Development, delivery, and periodic revision of a statewide
10 geographic information plan and annually reporting to the Governor
11 and the Legislature. Such a plan shall include, but not be limited
12 to, provisions for training and education; ~~and~~

13 4. Promotion of collaboration and sharing of data and data
14 development as well as other aspects of Geographic Information
15 Systems; and

16 5. Establishing a workgroup to develop standards that define
17 the process for mapping authoritative jurisdictional county
18 boundaries.

19 H. Neither the Council nor its members shall have the power to
20 form or award contracts or to employ staff. Members appointed by
21 the Governor shall serve without compensation.

22 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2021, Section 1501-205.3,
23 is amended to read as follows:
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1 Section 1501-205.3. A. There is hereby established an Office
2 of Geographic Information in the Oklahoma Conservation Commission.

3 B. The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Conservation
4 Commission shall appoint, after consultation with the State
5 Geographic Information Council, a person of suitable training,
6 experience, and knowledge to manage the Office with the title of
7 State Geographic Information Coordinator who shall serve at the
8 pleasure of the Executive Director.

9 C. The Office may solicit, receive and consider proposals for
10 funding from any state agency, federal agency, local government,
11 university, nonprofit organization, or private person or
12 corporation. The Office may also solicit and accept money by grant,
13 gift, bequest, or other conveyance recommended by the State
14 Geographic Information Council and approved by the Executive
15 Director of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission. Additionally, the
16 Office may receive a specific legislative appropriation within the
17 appropriation for the Oklahoma Conservation Commission. Any funds
18 received by the Office shall be deposited into the Geographic
19 Information Revolving Fund pursuant to Section 1501-205.2 of ~~Title~~
20 ~~82 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title.

21 D. The Office shall:

22 1. Provide staff support and technical assistance to the
23 Council established pursuant to Section 1501-205.1 of ~~Title 82 of~~
24 ~~the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title;

1 2. Establish a central statewide geographic information
2 clearinghouse to maintain data inventories, information on current
3 and planned Geographic Information System applications, information
4 on grants available for the acquisition or enhancement of geographic
5 information resources, and a directory of geographic information
6 resources available within the state or from the federal government;

7 3. Coordinate any grant programs for local governments to
8 establish and maintain Geographic Information Systems as such
9 programs may be established by the Legislature;

10 4. Coordinate multiagency Geographic Information System
11 projects, including working with state and local agencies in the
12 development and maintenance of statewide data and Geographic
13 Information Systems, which includes:

14 a. conducting leaf-off aerial imagery biennially or
15 annually subject to the availability of funds, and

16 b. using the results from the leaf-off aerial imagery to
17 update the current authoritative jurisdictional county
18 boundary data layer using standards approved by the
19 State Geographic Information Council. The Office
20 shall present this updated data layer to the Council
21 annually for recertification of an authoritative
22 jurisdictional county boundary layer for use by the
23 state and its political subdivisions;

1 5. Provide access to both consulting and technical assistance,
2 and education and training on the application and use of geographic
3 information technologies to state and local agencies;

4 6. Develop, maintain, update, and interpret Geographic
5 Information System standards under the direction of the Council and
6 working with state and local agencies;

7 7. Provide Geographic Information System services, as
8 requested, to agencies wishing to augment their Geographic
9 Information System capabilities;

10 8. Evaluate, participate in pilot studies, and make
11 recommendations on Geographic Information System hardware and
12 software in cooperation with other agencies;

13 9. Prepare proposed legislation and funding proposals for the
14 Legislature that will further coordinate and expedite the
15 implementation of Geographic Information Systems as recommended by
16 the State Geographic Information Council and approved by the
17 Executive Director of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission;

18 10. Address data sensitivity issues so that information is made
19 available to the public but protects confidentiality of the
20 information; and

21 11. Provide an annual report to the Governor and Legislature on
22 the status and needs of the geographic information infrastructure of
23 the State of Oklahoma.

1 E. The Oklahoma House of Representatives and Oklahoma State
2 Senate may cooperate with the Office of Geographic Information but
3 shall be exempt from all requirements of this section.

4 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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