An Act

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 723

By: Woods and Stanley of the Senate

and

Burns and Manger of the House

An Act relating to veterans; amending 72 O.S. 2021, Sections 63.18A and 64, which relate to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs and exempt positions; removing obsolete language; providing certain exemption; updating statutory reference; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Veterans

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 72 O.S. 2021, Section 63.18A, is amended to read as follows:

Section 63.18A. The following positions and personnel at the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall be in the unclassified civil service exempt as provided in the Oklahoma Personnel Act Civil Service and Human Capital Modernization Act:

- 1. Physicians assistants;
- 2. Occupational therapists;
- 3. Physical therapists;
- 4. Pharmacists;

- 5. Speech pathologists;
- 6. Nurse practitioners;
- 7. Physical therapy assistants;
- 8. Administrative Assistant to the Director;
- 9. Programs Administrators;
- 10. Administrators, Veterans Centers; and
- 11. Assistant Administrators, Veterans Centers.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 72 O.S. 2021, Section 64, is amended to read as follows:

Section 64. The status of positions that have been exempted by executive order and positions previously authorized to be in the unclassified service exempt from civil service rules are not affected by this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

Passed the Senate the 11th day of March, 2025. Presiding Officer of the Senate Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of May, 2025. Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Received by the Office of the Governor this day of _____, 20____, at ____ o'clock _____ M. By: _____ Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this day of _____, 20____, at ____ o'clock ____ M. Governor of the State of Oklahoma OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this day of _____, 20 ____, at ____ o'clock _____M. By: