

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE BILL 3115

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 An Act relating to the Department of Corrections;
9 amending 57 O.S. 2021, Section 506, which relates to
10 Oklahoma Corrections Act of 1967; modifying
11 qualifications of the Director of the Department of
12 Corrections; providing term of service; deleting
13 removal or replacement power of the Governor;
14 modifying certain voting requirement; and providing
15 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, shall
23 be certified as a peace officer in this state by the Council on Law
24 Enforcement Education and Training, and shall have five (5) years of
professional level work. The Director ~~of Corrections~~ shall be

1 appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate
2 and shall serve ~~at the pleasure of the Governor and may be removed~~
3 ~~or replaced without cause~~ for a term of five (5) years.

4 Compensation for the Director shall be determined by the Governor.
5 The Director may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote
6 of the members elected to and constituting each chamber of the
7 Legislature.

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

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