

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

3 HOUSE BILL 1444

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to definitions and general  
8 provisions; amending 25 O.S. 2011, Section 82.1, as  
9 amended by Section 96, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (25  
10 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 82.1), which relates to  
11 state holidays; designating Good Friday as a state  
12 holiday; and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. 2011, Section 82.1, as  
15 amended by Section 96, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (25 O.S. Supp. 2016,  
16 Section 82.1), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 82.1 A. The designation and dates of holidays in  
18 Oklahoma shall be as follows: Each Saturday, Sunday, New Year's Day  
19 on the 1st day of January, Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday on the  
20 third Monday in January, Presidents' Day on the third Monday in  
21 February, Good Friday on the Friday before Easter, Memorial Day on  
22 the last Monday in May, Independence Day on the 4th day of July,  
23 Labor Day on the first Monday in September, Veterans' Day on the  
24 11th day of November, Thanksgiving Day on the fourth Thursday in  
November, the day after Thanksgiving Day, Christmas on the 25th day

1 of December, the day before or after Christmas if Christmas is not  
2 on a Saturday or Sunday, the Thursday and Friday before Christmas if  
3 Christmas is on a Saturday, the Monday and Tuesday after Christmas,  
4 if Christmas is on a Sunday; and if any of such holidays other than  
5 Christmas fall on Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be a holiday  
6 in that year and if any of such holidays other than Christmas fall  
7 on Sunday, the succeeding Monday shall be a holiday in that year.

8 B. The Governor shall issue an Executive Order each year  
9 specifying the dates on which the holidays other than Saturdays and  
10 Sundays designated in subsection A of this section occur. If the  
11 President of the United States declares any day other than those  
12 listed in subsection A of this section as a national holiday, the  
13 Governor may issue an Executive Order declaring such day a state  
14 holiday.

15 C. Any act authorized, required, or permitted to be performed  
16 on a holiday as designated in subsection A of this section may be  
17 performed on the next succeeding business day, and no liability or  
18 loss of rights of any kind shall result from such delay.

19 D. State employees, except for temporary and other limited term  
20 employees, shall be entitled to a day off work without loss of pay  
21 on those holidays specified in an Executive Order issued by the  
22 Governor pursuant to subsection B of this section. Those state  
23 employees, except for temporary and other limited term employees,  
24 who are required to work on a holiday specified in subsection B of

1 this section shall be entitled to a day off work, without loss of  
2 pay, on an alternative date or payment in lieu thereof at the  
3 discretion of the appointing authority and in accordance with rules  
4 of the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

5 E. For the purposes of this section, "holiday" means that  
6 agencies whose mission does not require them to be open for business  
7 every day of the year shall be closed for official business.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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