STATE OF OKLAHOMA
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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2196
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## COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to definitions and general provisions; designating the mustang as the state horse; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

The mustang horse, or Choctaw pony, has deeply rich ties to the American Indian tribes of the State of Oklahoma. The mustang horse is a descendant of the horses brought to the Americas in the 1500 s by the Spanish conquistadors. The horses brought by the Spanish were pure Spanish mustangs, a relatively small but tough breed of horse. After the introduction of these horses to American Indian tribes, the horses became essential to the tribes, and they began to rely heavily on them for their travels during times of war and while moving their tribal lands, as well as for hunting. In addition, the mustang horse played a vital role in carrying some Native American people across the Trail of Tears.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 98.18 of Title 25 , unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The mustang horse, or Choctaw pony, a descendant of the first horses brought to the Americas by the Spanish, is hereby designated and adopted as the state horse of the state of Oklahoma.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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