

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 9, 2015

3 SENATE BILL NO. 155

By: Shaw

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6 An Act relating to law enforcement officers; amending  
7 51 O.S. 2011, Section 6, as last amended by Section  
8 1, Chapter 288, O.S.L. 2013 (51 O.S. Supp. 2014,  
9 Section 6), which relates to dual office holding;  
10 providing exemption for certain law enforcement  
11 officers; and declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 51 O.S. 2011, Section 6, as last  
14 amended by Section 1, Chapter 288, O.S.L. 2013 (51 O.S. Supp. 2014,  
15 Section 6), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 6. A. Except as may be otherwise provided, no person  
17 holding an office under the laws of the state and no deputy of any  
18 officer so holding any office shall, during the person's term of  
19 office, hold any other office or be the deputy of any officer  
20 holding any office, under the laws of the state. The provisions of  
21 this section shall not apply to:

- 22 1. Notaries public;
- 23 2. Members of the State Textbook Committee;
- 24 3. County free fair board members;

1           4. Municipal and county law enforcement officers serving in  
2 positions as law enforcement officers of both such governmental  
3 entities upon such terms and conditions as are mutually approved by  
4 resolutions adopted by the board of county commissioners and  
5 governing body of the municipality employing such officers;

6           5. Any person holding a county or municipal office or position,  
7 or membership on any public trust authority, who is a member of a  
8 board or commission that relates to federal, state, county or  
9 municipal government and is created by the United States Government,  
10 the State of Oklahoma or a political subdivision of the state,  
11 except where the duties of the offices or positions conflict;

12           6. Any elected municipal officers and school board members who  
13 are appointed to a state board, commission, or similar entity if  
14 there is no compensation for such services other than reimbursement  
15 for necessary travel expenses pursuant to the provisions of the  
16 State Travel Reimbursement Act;

17           7. Any trustee of a public trust, who is appointed as a trustee  
18 of a different public trust or any trustee of the Tulsa County  
19 Public Facilities Authority who may also be employed by the  
20 Department of Transportation;

21           8. Law enforcement officers employed by municipal or county law  
22 enforcement departments or agencies, other than those law  
23 enforcement officers elected or appointed as sheriff, chief of  
24 police or some similar position in which they are the head of a

1 county or municipal law enforcement agency, who are elected to local  
2 boards of education; provided, the provisions of this paragraph  
3 shall not prohibit any law enforcement officer employed by a  
4 municipality having a population of ten thousand (10,000) or fewer  
5 people from serving as a member of a local board of education;

6 9. Any member of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division of the  
7 Department of Public Safety who is elected to a local board of  
8 education;

9 10. Any District Supervisor, Assistant District Supervisor,  
10 Team Supervisor, Parole Officer 1 or Parole Officer 2 of the  
11 Department of Corrections who is elected or appointed to a city  
12 council;

13 11. Any trustee or director of a rural electric cooperative, or  
14 port authority who is appointed or elected to a state, county or  
15 municipal board, commission or similar entity;

16 12. County employees who are elected as members of town or city  
17 councils;

18 13. Municipal, county, state or tribal law enforcement or peace  
19 officers operating under cross-deputization agreements with an  
20 Indian tribe or branch of the federal government;

21 14. Municipal or county law enforcement or peace officers  
22 serving in positions as campus police officers or campus public  
23 safety officers pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Campus  
24 Security Act, upon such terms and conditions as are mutually

1 approved by resolution adopted by the governing body of the  
2 municipality or county and the governing board of the institution of  
3 higher education;

4 15. State law enforcement or peace officers serving in  
5 positions as campus police officers or campus public safety officers  
6 pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Campus Security Act, upon  
7 such terms and conditions as are mutually approved by written  
8 agreement between the Commissioner of Public Safety and the  
9 governing board of the institution of higher education;

10 16. Municipal and county law enforcement officers serving in  
11 positions as part-time rangers under the Oklahoma Tourism and  
12 Recreation Department or the Oklahoma Scenic Rivers Commission;

13 17. The Administrator of a Scenic Rivers Commission serving in  
14 the position of a park ranger under the Oklahoma Tourism and  
15 Recreation Department;

16 18. Members of the University Hospitals Authority;

17 19. Any person holding a state office or position who is a  
18 reserve force deputy sheriff, or a reserve special agent with the  
19 Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control or a  
20 reserve municipal police officer;

21 20. Any person holding a state office or position who serves as  
22 a special assistant district attorney without compensation;

23 21. Any elected or appointed member of a local school board who  
24 is a member of a municipal planning commission;

1        22. Any elected or appointed member of a local school board who  
2 is a member or an officer of a volunteer fire department;

3        23. Directors or officers of a rural water district and chiefs  
4 of municipal fire departments or rural fire districts who are  
5 appointed or elected to an unsalaried office in a state, county,  
6 municipal, school, or technology center school board, commission, or  
7 similar entity, except where the duties of the office would create a  
8 conflict of interest;

9        24. Any person who is a dispatcher or confinement officer at a  
10 municipal or county jail who is a noncompensated reserve municipal  
11 police officer or a reserve deputy sheriff;

12        25. Any person who is an assistant district attorney serving as  
13 a municipal judge or prosecutor;

14        26. Any park ranger under the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation  
15 Department or any game warden or reserve game warden employed by the  
16 Department of Wildlife Conservation who is elected or appointed to a  
17 local board of education or to a municipal governing body, board,  
18 commission or similar entity;

19        27. Members of the Oklahoma State University Medical Center  
20 Authority or the Oklahoma State University Medical Trust;

21        28. Any member of the state Legislature or any state officer  
22 who serves on the board of trustees of the Oklahoma School for the  
23 Visual and Performing Arts; and

24        29. Members of the Council on Judicial Complaints.

1       The provisions of this section shall not prohibit any person  
2 holding an office under the laws of the state or any deputy of any  
3 officer so holding any office from serving upon the board of  
4 Oklahoma Futures or upon the board of directors of the Oklahoma  
5 Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology. The  
6 provisions of this section shall not prohibit a member of the board  
7 of directors of the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science  
8 and Technology from serving upon the board of Oklahoma Futures.

9       B. Any salaries, emoluments or benefits that would otherwise be  
10 paid by the agency or political subdivision to a loaned employee or  
11 officer shall instead be paid to the regular employer of such  
12 employee. The loaned employee shall in turn be paid regular salary  
13 and benefits the same as if continuing regular employment with the  
14 permanent employer.

15       SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
16 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
17 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
18 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

19 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT  
20 February 9, 2015 - DO PASS

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