

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 SENATE BILL 1803

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to initiative and referendum;
8 amending 34 O.S. 2021, Section 23, which relates to
9 who may sign petitions and vote; authorizing certain
10 persons or business entities to donate money for
11 certain purposes; prohibiting certain persons or
12 business entities from donating money for certain
13 purposes; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. 2021, Section 23, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 23. Every person who is a qualified elector of the
18 State of Oklahoma may sign a petition for the referendum or for the
19 initiative for any measure upon which he is legally entitled to
20 vote. Any person who is a resident of this state or any business
21 entity with a principal place of business or other location in this
22 state may donate money to a group or entity promoting a referendum
23 or initiative. No person who is not a resident of this state or a
24 business entity with no presence in this state may donate money to a
25 group or entity promoting a referendum or initiative. Any person

1 signing any name other than his own to any petition, or knowingly
2 signing his name more than once for the same measure at one
3 election, or who is not at the time of signing the same a legal
4 voter of this state, or whoever falsely makes or willfully destroys
5 a petition or any part thereof, or who signs or files any
6 certificate or petition knowing the same or any part thereof to be
7 falsely made, or suppresses any certificate or petition or any part
8 thereof which has been duly filed or who shall violate any provision
9 of this statute, or who shall aid or abet any other person in doing
10 any of said acts; and any person violating any provision of this
11 chapter, shall upon conviction thereof be guilty of a felony and
12 shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars
13 (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding
14 two (2) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the
15 discretion of the court before which such conviction shall be had.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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