

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE BILL 707

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to Liquid Petroleum Gas; terminating
8 the Liquid Petroleum Gas Administration; transferring
9 rights and authorities to Department of Labor;
10 transferring certain monies to Department of Labor;
11 providing for transfer of certain employees;
12 instructing transferred employees to retain certain
13 benefits; requiring employees be credited for time in
14 certain circumstances; instructing coordination of
15 certain activities with Office of Management and
16 Enterprise Services; authorizing certain officers to
17 retain badge and firearm; providing an effective
18 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 10-1 of Title 40, unless there
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. Effective July 1, 2017, the Liquid Petroleum Gas
24 Administration created pursuant to Sections 420.1 through 420.17 of
25 Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be terminated. Effective
26 July 1, 2017, the rights and authorities of the Liquid Petroleum Gas
27 Administration shall be transferred to the Department of Labor.
28 Effective July 1, 2017, all assets, funds, liabilities, allotments,

1 purchase orders, outstanding financial obligations, encumbrances,
2 records, equipment and property of the Liquid Petroleum Gas
3 Administration are hereby transferred to and placed under the
4 supervision and control of the Department of Labor. Monies
5 collected or accruing to the credit of the Liquid Petroleum Gas
6 Administration in the State Treasury or under the management of the
7 Office of Management and Enterprise Services pursuant to the
8 provisions of Section 420.11 of Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes as
9 of the effective date of this act and after shall be transferred to
10 the Department of Labor to assist in implementing this act or as
11 otherwise directed to support the activities previously conducted by
12 the Liquid Petroleum Gas Administration or the employees of the
13 Administration. Any other monies from appropriations, fees,
14 licenses, fines, penalties or other similar types of monies that
15 accrue in any funds or accounts after the effective date of this act
16 in the name of the Liquid Petroleum Gas Administration or maintained
17 for the benefit of the Administration are transferred to the
18 Department of Labor.

19 B. Personnel employed by the Liquid Petroleum Gas
20 Administration on the effective date of this act shall be
21 transferred to the Department of Labor subject to the following
22 provisions:
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1 1. Classified employees transferred shall remain subject to the
2 provisions of the Merit System of Personnel Administration, as
3 provided in the Oklahoma Personnel Act;

4 2. Unclassified employees transferred shall remain in the
5 unclassified service and shall serve at the pleasure of the
6 Commissioner of Labor;

7 3. All employees transferred pursuant to this act shall retain
8 leave, sick and annual time earned and any retirement and longevity
9 benefits which have accrued during their employment with the state.
10 The salaries of employees who are transferred shall not be reduced
11 as a direct and immediate result of the transfer;

12 4. Should the Commissioner of Labor implement a reduction in
13 force, all employees transferred pursuant to this act shall be
14 credited for the time they were employed by the Liquid Petroleum Gas
15 Administration; and

16 5. The transfer of personnel shall be coordinated with the
17 Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

18 C. The Safety Code Enforcement Officers of the Liquid Petroleum
19 Gas Administration employed by the Administration on the effective
20 date of this act may maintain possession of the badge and assigned
21 firearm issued by the Administration.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2017.

23 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
24 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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