

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 SENATE BILL 818

By: Hamilton

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; amending 72
8 O.S. 2011, Section 229, as amended by Section 3,
9 Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2018 (72 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section
10 229), which relates to the veterans center at
11 Talihina; eliminating authorization to transfer
12 veterans center location; repealing Section 2,
13 Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2018, as amended by Section 2,
14 Chapter 502, O.S.L. 2019 (72 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section
15 229.1), which relates to transfer of Talihina
16 veterans center; and providing an effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 72 O.S. 2011, Section 229, as
19 amended by Section 3, Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2018 (72 O.S. Supp. 2020,
20 Section 229), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 229. ~~A. Until operations are transferred pursuant to~~
22 ~~subsection B of this section, there~~ There is hereby established, in
23 addition to the Oklahoma Veterans Centers established by Sections
24 221 and 226 of this title, the Oklahoma Veterans Center at Talihina,
Oklahoma, on the site of the Oklahoma State Sanatorium, Talihina,
Oklahoma. All persons serving as employees of the Oklahoma State
Sanatorium under the provisions of the State Merit System of

1 Personnel Administration shall continue to serve as employees of the
2 Oklahoma Veterans Center at Talihina; provided, that such employees
3 remain in the classified service. All employees hired by the
4 Oklahoma Veterans Center at Talihina on or after ~~the effective date~~
5 ~~of this act~~ June 4, 1975, shall be under the Oklahoma Merit System
6 of Personnel Administration, except one manager, one principal
7 assistant or deputy, one private secretary, part-time physicians and
8 other professional personnel engaged in clinical and consultant
9 services. The average number of full-time-equivalent employees
10 utilized in the total operation of the Oklahoma Veterans Center,
11 Talihina, shall not exceed one hundred fifty-three (153) during the
12 fiscal year ending June 30, 1976. The buildings, equipment and land
13 under the jurisdiction of the Oklahoma State Sanatorium, Talihina,
14 are hereby transferred to the Oklahoma Veterans Center, Talihina.

15 ~~B. Operations of the Oklahoma Veterans Center established~~
16 ~~pursuant to this section shall continue until such time as~~
17 ~~operations are transferred to the location identified pursuant to~~
18 ~~the authority conferred upon the Oklahoma Veterans Commission under~~
19 ~~Section 2 of this act.~~

20 SECTION 2. REPEALER Section 2, Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2018,
21 as amended by Section 2, Chapter 502, O.S.L. 2019 (72 O.S. Supp.
22 2020, Section 229.1), is hereby repealed.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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