

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 SENATE BILL 835

By: Jolley and Treat of the
Senate

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6 Sears and Casey of the
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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 An Act relating to seasonal employees; declaring
11 seasonal employees of certain state agencies as
12 temporary unclassified employees; authorizing certain
13 state agencies to employ seasonal employees;
14 requiring the certain state agencies report certain
15 employee statistics; providing for codification; and
16 declaring an emergency.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-4d of Title 2, unless there is
20 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. For the purposes of the State Board of Agriculture, seasonal
22 employees employed by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food,
23 and Forestry who work less than nine hundred ninety-nine (999) hours
24 in a twelve-month period shall be considered temporary employees and
shall be unclassified.

1 B. The Department may employ seasonal employees throughout the
2 calendar year. Employees used for project labor employed by the
3 Department for a period of time necessary to complete a project
4 shall be in the unclassified service of the state as provided by the
5 Oklahoma Personnel Act. Such employees shall not be entitled to
6 paid leave, paid holidays, retirement, health, dental or life
7 insurance and shall be exempt from any laws, rules or practices
8 providing for such benefits.

9 C. The Department, in its annual budget request, shall include
10 a summary of the use of project labor, which shall include the
11 number of workers employed under the provisions of this section and
12 the total wages paid to these employees.

13 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-2-103a of Title 27A, unless
15 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. For the purposes of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission,
17 seasonal employees employed by the Commission who work less than
18 nine hundred ninety-nine (999) hours in a twelve-month period shall
19 be considered temporary employees and shall be unclassified.

20 B. The Commission may employ seasonal employees throughout the
21 calendar year. Employees used for project labor employed by the
22 Commission for a period of time necessary to complete a project
23 shall be in the unclassified service of the state as provided by the
24 Oklahoma Personnel Act. Such employees shall not be entitled to

1 paid leave, paid holidays, retirement, health, dental or life
2 insurance and shall be exempt from any laws, rules or practices
3 providing for such benefits.

4 C. The Commission, in its annual budget request, shall include
5 a summary of the use of project labor, which shall include the
6 number of workers employed under the provisions of this section and
7 the total wages paid to these employees.

8 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1085.2A of Title 82, unless
10 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 A. For the purposes of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board,
12 seasonal employees employed by the Board who work less than nine
13 hundred ninety-nine (999) hours in a twelve-month period shall be
14 considered temporary employees and shall be unclassified.

15 B. The Board may employ seasonal employees throughout the
16 calendar year. Employees used for project labor employed by the
17 Board for a period of time necessary to complete a project shall be
18 in the unclassified service of the state as provided by the Oklahoma
19 Personnel Act. Such employees shall not be entitled to paid leave,
20 paid holidays, retirement, health, dental or life insurance and
21 shall be exempt from any laws, rules or practices providing for such
22 benefits.

23 C. The Board, in its annual budget request, shall include a
24 summary of the use of project labor, which shall include the number

1 of workers employed under the provisions of this section and the
2 total wages paid to these employees.

3 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
4 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
5 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
6 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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