

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

3 SENATE BILL 1745

By: Griffin

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to campaign finance and financial
8 disclosure; stating legislative findings; creating
9 campaign finance and financial disclosure acts for
10 counties, municipalities, technology center districts
11 and school districts; providing short titles;
12 defining terms; requiring candidates to establish
13 campaign committee and setting forth procedures;
14 requiring statement of organization and reports of
15 contributions and expenditures; making certain
16 documents public records and setting forth schedule
17 for maintenance; requiring posting to websites;
18 requiring certain persons to file statements of
19 financial interests; providing for enforcement and
20 setting forth procedures; providing for protests of
21 assessments; specifying duties of Ethics Commission;
22 providing for division thereof; authorizing Executive
23 Director to employ or contract for staff; creating
24 Political Subdivisions Enforcement Fund; providing
for deposits thereto and expenditures therefrom;
providing for certain transfers; providing for
cessation of enforcement under certain circumstances;
repealing 51 O.S. 2011, Sections 301, 302, 303, 304,
305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314,
315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324 and
325, which relate to the Political Subdivisions
Ethics Act; providing for codification; providing for
noncodification; and providing an effective date.

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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
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1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
2 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

3 A. This act shall be known as the "Local Government Campaign
4 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act". The Local Government
5 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be codified in
6 those titles of the Oklahoma Statutes relating to the various levels
7 of local government to which the act applies.

8 B. The Legislature hereby finds that:

9 1. The Oklahoma Constitution requires that all elections shall
10 be free and equal and prohibits local and special laws for the
11 conduct of elections;

12 2. The conduct of campaigns for county, municipal, technology
13 center district and independent school district elections is
14 inextricably intertwined with the elections themselves and that the
15 conduct of such campaigns is a matter of statewide concern;

16 3. For the citizens of this state to be adequately informed
17 regarding possible conflicts of interest, financial disclosure by
18 candidates, elected officials and other officials of certain county
19 and municipal governments is necessary;

20 4. Information regarding campaigns for county, municipal,
21 technology center district and independent school district elections
22 and financial disclosure documents should be made available locally
23 to be more accessible to the electorate; and
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1 5. Enforcement of laws governing campaigns for county,
2 municipal, technology center district and independent school
3 district should be uniform statewide.

4 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
5 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.11 of Title 19, unless there
6 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

7 Sections 2 through 10 of this act shall be the provisions of the
8 Local Government Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
9 applicable to counties and shall be known as the "County Campaign
10 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act".

11 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.12 of Title 19, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A. Definitions of terms used in the County Campaign Finance and
15 Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are
16 defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to
17 Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless
18 otherwise provided herein.

19 B. As used in the County Campaign Finance and Financial
20 Disclosure Act:

21 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee, which may be
22 composed of one or more persons, whose purpose is to support the
23 election of a specific candidate to county office, whose name as it
24 will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the committee;

1 2. "County office" means any elective county office for which
2 Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the secretary of the county
3 election board as required by Section 5-103 of Title 26 of the
4 Oklahoma Statutes; and

5 3. "County political committee" means any committee composed of
6 one or more persons whose purposes include the election or defeat of
7 one or more candidates for county office but that are not required
8 to register with the Ethics Commission or the Federal Election
9 Commission.

10 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
11 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.13 of Title 19, unless there
12 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

13 Each candidate for county office shall be required to establish
14 a campaign committee. Each campaign committee shall file a
15 statement of organization with the county clerk subject to the same
16 requirements as candidate committees for state office are required
17 to file statements of organization with the Ethics Commission under
18 Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of
19 Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited
20 to time for filing and contents. If a candidate has not previously
21 established a campaign committee, a campaign committee statement of
22 organization must be filed within twenty-four (24) hours of filing a
23 Declaration of Candidacy for county office.

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1 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.14 of Title 19, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Every county political committee shall file a statement of
5 organization with the county clerk subject to the same requirements
6 as political committees are required to file statements of
7 organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics
8 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
9 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing
10 and contents.

11 SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.15 of Title 19, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 Every campaign committee and every county political committee
15 shall file a report of contributions and expenditures with the
16 county clerk subject to the same requirements as political
17 committees are required to file statements of organization with the
18 Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated
19 pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution,
20 including but not limited to time for filing and contents.

21 SECTION 7. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.16 of Title 19, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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1 Statements of organization and reports of contributions and
2 expenditures required to be filed with the county clerk under the
3 County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public
4 records. The county clerk shall maintain statements of organization
5 and reports of contributions and expenditures for ten (10) years
6 after the date on which they are filed, at which time the documents
7 may be destroyed or retained at the discretion of the county clerk.
8 If the county in which the statements of organization and reports of
9 contributions and expenditures are filed maintains an Internet
10 website, it shall be the duty of the county clerk to post on the
11 website copies of statements of organization and reports of
12 contributions and expenditures no later than the next business day
13 after the statements and reports are filed. Copies of the
14 statements and reports shall be posted in such a way as to be
15 readily available to a user of the website and shall remain
16 available on the website for at least two (2) years after the date
17 on which they are filed.

18 SECTION 8. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.17 of Title 19, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 All candidates for county office, all elected county officers,
22 all first deputies or first assistant of elected county officers and
23 all heads of county departments who have independent authority to
24 make or to recommend purchases made by the county shall be required

1 to file a statement of financial interests with the county clerk
2 subject to the same requirements as candidates for state office and
3 compensated state officers are required to file statements of
4 financial interests with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the
5 Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX
6 of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for
7 filing and contents.

8 SECTION 9. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.18 of Title 19, unless there
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 Statements of financial interests required to be filed with the
12 county clerk under the County Campaign Finance and Financial
13 Disclosure Act shall be public records. The county clerk shall
14 maintain statements of financial interests for ten (10) years after
15 the date on which they are filed, at which time the documents may be
16 destroyed or retained at the discretion of the county clerk. If the
17 county in which the statements of financial interests are filed
18 maintains an Internet website, it shall be the duty of the county
19 clerk to post on the website copies of statements of financial
20 interests no later than the next business day after the statements
21 and reports are filed. Copies of the statements shall be posted in
22 such a way as to be readily available to a user of the website and
23 shall remain available on the website for at least two (2) years
24 after the date on which they are filed.

1 SECTION 10. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.19 of Title 19, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 The County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall
5 be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the same manner as Rules of
6 the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article
7 XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including but not
8 limited to acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions, settlement
9 agreements and any other compliance practices or requirements.
10 Complaints may be received by the Ethics Commission alleging filing
11 of statements or reports required to be filed under the County
12 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act later than the
13 prescribed time for filing. Such complaints shall be in the same
14 form as other complaints. Upon receipt of such complaints of late
15 filing, the Ethics Commission shall investigate whether the
16 allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall assess a late
17 filing penalty of up to One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day, not
18 to exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the
19 filing of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission
20 determines the allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take
21 no further action. Persons assessed a late filing fee may protest
22 the assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative
23 Procedures Act.

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1 SECTION 11. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-101 of Title 11, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Sections 11 through 20 of this act shall be shall be the
5 provisions of the Local Government Campaign Finance and Financial
6 Disclosure Act applicable to municipalities and shall be known as
7 the "Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act".

8 SECTION 12. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-102 of Title 11, unless there
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 A. Definitions of terms used in the Municipal Campaign Finance
12 and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are
13 defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to
14 Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless
15 otherwise provided herein.

16 B. As used in the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial
17 Disclosure Act:

18 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee, which may be
19 composed of one or more persons, whose purpose is to support the
20 election of a specific candidate to municipal office, whose name as
21 it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the
22 committee;

23 2. "Municipal office" means any elective municipal office for
24 which Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the secretary of the

1 county election board as required by Sections 16-109 and 16-110 of
2 Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

3 3. "Municipal political committee" means any committee composed
4 of one or more persons whose purposes include the election or defeat
5 of one or more candidates for municipal office but that are not
6 required to register with the Ethics Commission or the Federal
7 Election Commission.

8 SECTION 13. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-103 of Title 11, unless there
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 The Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
12 shall apply only to municipalities with a population of more than
13 ten thousand (10,000) according to the most recent federal decennial
14 census.

15 SECTION 14. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-104 of Title 11, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 Each candidate for municipal office shall be required to
19 establish a campaign committee. Each campaign committee shall file
20 a statement of organization with the municipal clerk subject to the
21 same requirements as candidate committees for state office are
22 required to file statements of organization with the Ethics
23 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
24 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including

1 but not limited to time for filing and contents. If a candidate has
2 not previously established a campaign committee, a campaign
3 committee statement of organization must be filed within twenty-four
4 (24) hours of filing a Declaration of Candidacy for municipal
5 office.

6 SECTION 15. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-105 of Title 11, unless there
8 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9 Every municipal political committee shall file a statement of
10 organization with the municipal clerk subject to the same
11 requirements as political committees are required to file statements
12 of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics
13 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
14 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing
15 and contents.

16 SECTION 16. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-106 of Title 11, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 Every campaign committee and every municipal political committee
20 shall file a report of contributions and expenditures with the
21 secretary of the municipal clerk subject to the same requirements as
22 political committees are required to file statements of organization
23 with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission
24 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma

1 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and
2 contents.

3 SECTION 17. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-107 of Title 11, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 Statements of organization and reports of contributions and
7 expenditures required to be filed with the municipal clerk under the
8 Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be
9 public records. The municipal clerk shall maintain statements of
10 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for ten
11 (10) years after the date on which they are filed, at which time the
12 documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of
13 the municipal clerk. If the municipality in which the statements of
14 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures are filed
15 maintains an Internet website, it shall be the duty of the municipal
16 clerk to post on the website copies of statements of organization
17 and reports of contributions and expenditures no later than the next
18 business day after the statements and reports are filed. Copies of
19 the statements and reports shall be posted in such a way as to be
20 readily available to a user of the website and shall remain
21 available on the website for at least two (2) years after the date
22 on which they are filed.

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1 SECTION 18. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-108 of Title 11, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 All candidates for municipal office, all elected municipal
5 officers, all first deputies or first assistant of elected municipal
6 officers and all heads of municipal departments who have independent
7 authority to make or to recommend purchases made by the municipality
8 shall be required to file a statement of financial interests with
9 the municipal clerk subject to the same requirements as candidates
10 for state office and compensated state officers are required to file
11 statements of financial interests with the Ethics Commission under
12 Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of
13 Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited
14 to time for filing and contents.

15 SECTION 19. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-109 of Title 11, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 Statements of financial interests required to be filed with the
19 municipal clerk under the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial
20 Disclosure Act shall be public records. The municipal clerk shall
21 maintain statements of financial interests for ten (10) years after
22 the date on which they are filed, at which time the documents may be
23 destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of the municipal
24 clerk. If the municipality in which the statements of financial

1 interests are filed maintains an Internet website, it shall be the
2 duty of the municipal clerk to post on the website copies of
3 statements of financial interests no later than the next business
4 day after the statements and reports are filed. Copies of the
5 statements shall be posted in such a way as to be readily available
6 to a user of the website and shall remain available on the website
7 for at least two (2) years after the date on which they are filed.

8 SECTION 20. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-110 of Title 11, unless there
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 The Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
12 shall be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the same manner as
13 Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of
14 Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including
15 but not limited to acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions,
16 settlement agreements and any other compliance practices or
17 requirements. Complaints may be received by the Ethics Commission
18 alleging filing of statements or reports required to be filed under
19 the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act later
20 than the prescribed time for filing. Such complaints shall be in
21 the same form as other complaints. Upon receipt of such complaints
22 of late filing, the Ethics Commission shall investigate whether the
23 allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall assess a late
24 filing penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day, not to

1 exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the filing
2 of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission determines the
3 allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take no further
4 action. Persons assessed a late filing fee may protest the
5 assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative Procedures
6 Act.

7 SECTION 21. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-110 of Title 70, unless there
9 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 Sections 21 through 30 of this act shall be the provisions of
11 the Local Government Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
12 applicable to technology center districts and independent school
13 districts and shall be known as the "Technology Center District and
14 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
15 Disclosure Act".

16 SECTION 22. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-111 of Title 70, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. Definitions of terms used in the Technology Center District
20 and Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
21 Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are defined in Rules
22 of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of
23 Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless otherwise provided
24 herein.

1 B. As used in the Technology Center District and Independent
2 School District Campaign Finance and Disclosure Act:

3 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee, which may be
4 composed of one or more persons, whose purpose is to support the
5 election of a specific candidate to school district office, whose
6 name as it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the
7 committee;

8 2. "School district" means a technology center district or an
9 independent school district;

10 3. "School district office" means any elective school district
11 office for which Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the
12 secretary of the county election board as required by Section 13A-
13 105 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

14 4. "School district political committee" means any committee
15 composed of one or more persons whose purposes include the election
16 or defeat of one or more candidates for school district office but
17 that are not required to register with the Ethics Commission or the
18 Federal Election Commission.

19 SECTION 23. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-112 of Title 70, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 The Technology Center District and Independent School District
23 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall apply to all
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1 technology center districts and shall apply to all independent
2 school districts.

3 SECTION 24. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-113 of Title 70, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 Each candidate for school district office shall be required to
7 establish a campaign committee. Each campaign committee shall file
8 a statement of organization with the school district clerk subject
9 to the same requirements as candidate committees for state office
10 are required to file statements of organization with the Ethics
11 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
12 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including
13 but not limited to time for filing and contents. If a candidate has
14 not previously established a campaign committee, a campaign
15 committee statement of organization must be filed within twenty-four
16 (24) hours of filing a Declaration of Candidacy for school district
17 office.

18 SECTION 25. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-114 of Title 70, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 Every school district political committee shall file a statement
22 of organization with the school district clerk subject to the same
23 requirements as political committees are required to file statements
24 of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics

1 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
2 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing
3 and contents.

4 SECTION 26. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
5 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-115 of Title 70, unless there
6 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

7 Every campaign committee and every school district political
8 committee shall file a report of contributions and expenditures with
9 the secretary of the school district clerk subject to the same
10 requirements as political committees are required to file statements
11 of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics
12 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
13 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing
14 and contents.

15 SECTION 27. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-116 of Title 70, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 Statements of organization and reports of contributions and
19 expenditures required to be filed with the school district clerk
20 under the Technology Center District and Independent School District
21 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public
22 records. The school district clerk shall maintain statements of
23 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for ten
24 (10) years after the date on which they are filed, at which time the

1 documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of
2 the school district clerk. If the school district in which the
3 statements of organization and reports of contributions and
4 expenditures are filed maintains an Internet website, it shall be
5 the duty of the school district clerk to post on the website copies
6 of statements of organization and reports of contributions and
7 expenditures no later than the next business day after the
8 statements and reports are filed. Copies of the statements and
9 reports shall be posted in such a way as to be readily available to
10 a user of the website and shall remain available on the website for
11 at least two (2) years after the date on which they are filed.

12 SECTION 28. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-117 of Title 70, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 All candidates for school district office, all elected school
16 district officers, the superintendent of schools for the school
17 district and all heads of school district departments who have
18 independent authority to make or to recommend purchases made by the
19 school district shall be required to file a statement of financial
20 interests with the school district clerk subject to the same
21 requirements as candidates for state office and compensated state
22 officers are required to file statements of financial interests with
23 the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission
24 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma

1 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and
2 contents.

3 SECTION 29. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-118 of Title 70, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 Statements of financial interests required to be filed with the
7 school district clerk under the Technology Center District and
8 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
9 Disclosure Act shall be public records. The school district clerk
10 shall maintain statements of financial interests for ten (10) years
11 after the date on which they are filed, at which time the documents
12 may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of the school
13 district clerk. If the school district in which the statements of
14 financial interests are filed maintains an Internet website, it
15 shall be the duty of the school district clerk to post on the
16 website copies of statements of financial interests no later than
17 the next business day after the statements and reports are filed.
18 Copies of the statements shall be posted in such a way as to be
19 readily available to a user of the website and shall remain
20 available on the website for at least two (2) years after the date
21 on which they are filed.

22 SECTION 30. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-119 of Title 70, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 The Technology Center District and Independent School District
2 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be enforced by
3 the Ethics Commission in the same manner as Rules of the Ethics
4 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
5 Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including but not limited to
6 acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions, settlement agreements
7 and any other compliance practices or requirements. Complaints may
8 be received by the Ethics Commission alleging filing of statements
9 or reports required to be filed under the Technology Center District
10 and Independent School District Campaign Finance and Disclosure Act
11 later than the prescribed time for filing. Such complaints shall be
12 in the same form as other complaints. Upon receipt of such
13 complaints of late filing, the Ethics Commission shall investigate
14 whether the allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall
15 assess a late filing penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per
16 day, not to exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for
17 the filing of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission
18 determines the allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take
19 no further action. Persons assessed a late filing fee may protest
20 the assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative
21 Procedures Act.

22 SECTION 31. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4261 of Title 74, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 The Ethics Commission shall design all forms required for
2 compliance with the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure
3 Act, the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act and
4 the Technology Center District and Independent School District
5 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act. Such forms shall be
6 made available in electronic form on the Commission's website.

7 SECTION 32. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4262 of Title 74, unless there
9 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 For purposes of enforcing the County Campaign Finance and
11 Financial Disclosure Act, the Municipal Campaign Finance and
12 Financial Disclosure Act and the Technology Center District and
13 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
14 Disclosure Act, the Ethics Commission shall establish a special
15 division to be known as the "Political Subdivisions Enforcement
16 Division." The Executive Director of the Ethics Commission may
17 employ staff for the Political Subdivisions Enforcement Division or
18 may contract for services to be performed by the Division, or both.

19 SECTION 33. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4258.1 of Title 74, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
23 for the Ethics Commission to be designated the "Political
24 Subdivisions Enforcement Fund." The fund shall be a continuing

1 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations and shall consist of
2 all funds appropriated by the Legislature to the fund and all late
3 filing fees, fines from settlement agreements and fines assessed by
4 the District Court for violations of the County Campaign Finance and
5 Financial Disclosure Act, the Municipal Campaign Finance and
6 Financial Disclosure Act and the Technology Center District and
7 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
8 Disclosure Act. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are
9 hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the
10 Commission for any expenses incurred by the Political Subdivisions
11 Enforcement Division. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon
12 warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as
13 prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and
14 Enterprise Services for approval and payment. No later than January
15 31, 2016, the State Treasurer shall transfer to the General Revenue
16 Fund of the state any monies in the fund in excess of One Hundred
17 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00). If at any time the amount of
18 money in the fund is less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars
19 (\$100,000.00), the Executive Director of the Commission shall order
20 that there be no further enforcement by the Political Subdivisions
21 Enforcement Division until the amount of money in the fund is more
22 than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00).

23 SECTION 34. REPEALER 51 O.S. 2011, Sections 301, 302,
24 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315,

1 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324 and 325, are hereby
2 repealed.

3 SECTION 35. This act shall become effective January 1, 2015.
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