

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 1401

By: Humphrey of the House

3 and

4 Bergstrom of the Senate

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7 [state government - creating the Science and

8 Technology Policy Advisor -

9 emergency]

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5060.44 of Title 74, unless
16 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. There is hereby created the Science and Technology Policy
18 Advisor, who shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and
19 consent of the Senate and serve at the pleasure of the Governor and
20 may be removed or replaced without cause. Compensation for the
21 Advisor shall be determined by the Governor. The Advisor may be
22 removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members
23 elected to and constituting each chamber of the Legislature.

1 B. The Science and Technology Policy Advisor shall have
2 completed at a minimum a master's level degree from an accredited
3 university or college in a science, technology, engineering or
4 mathematics (STEM) field.

5 C. There is hereby created the Science and Technology Policy
6 Board which shall consist of the following nine (9) members:

- 7 1. Five members appointed by the Governor;
- 8 2. Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
9 Representatives; and
- 10 3. Two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
11 Senate.

12 D. Each member shall serve at the pleasure of his or her
13 appointing authority and may be removed or replaced without cause.
14 Any member of the Board shall be prohibited from voting on any issue
15 in which the member has a direct financial interest. The Science
16 and Technology Policy Advisor shall be an ex officio member of the
17 Board, but shall be entitled to vote only in case of a tie vote.

18 SECTION 2. REPEALER 74 O.S. 2011, Section 5060.40, is
19 hereby repealed.

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

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 13th day of March, 2019.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2019.

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