

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2196

By: Randleman

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9 An Act relating to definitions and general
10 provisions; designating the mustang as the state
11 horse; providing for noncodification; providing for
12 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
16 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

17 The mustang horse, or Choctaw pony, has deeply rich ties to the
18 American Indian tribes of the State of Oklahoma. The mustang horse
19 is a descendant of the horses brought to the Americas in the 1500s
20 by the Spanish conquistadors. The horses brought by the Spanish
21 were pure Spanish mustangs, a relatively small but tough breed of
22 horse. After the introduction of these horses to American Indian
23 tribes, the horses became essential to the tribes, and they began to
24 rely heavily on them for their travels during times of war and while

1 moving their tribal lands, as well as for hunting. In addition, the
2 mustang horse played a vital role in carrying some Native American
3 people across the Trail of Tears.

4 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
5 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 98.18 of Title 25, unless there
6 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

7 The mustang horse, or Choctaw pony, a descendant of the first
8 horses brought to the Americas by the Spanish, is hereby designated
9 and adopted as the state horse of the State of Oklahoma.

10 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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12 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 02/28/2019 - DO PASS,
13 As Amended.
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