

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 3008

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public lands; amending 64 O.S.
8 2011, Section 1005, which relates to Commissioners of
9 the Land Office Modernization Act; modifying
10 Secretary of the Land Office qualifications;
11 providing an effective date; and declaring an
12 emergency.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 64 O.S. 2011, Section 1005, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1005. A. The Land Office shall be administered by the
17 Secretary of the Land Office under the supervision of the
18 Commissioners of the Land Office. The Secretary shall, subject to
19 the qualifications listed in subsection B of this section, be
20 appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the
21 Commissioners of the Land Office. It shall be the duty of the
22 Secretary to execute, under the supervision of the Commissioners of
23 the Land Office, the provisions of the Enabling Act of Oklahoma as
24 it relates to the management of school lands and other public lands,
the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, and all laws,

1 regulations, and duties pertaining to the Commissioners of the Land
2 Office and to carry into execution the will of the Commissioners of
3 the Land Office not in conflict with any law.

4 B. The Secretary of the Land Office ~~shall~~ may:

5 1. Possess an advanced degree from an accredited college or
6 university or equivalent experience; and

7 2. ~~Have not less than five (5) years experience in government,~~
8 ~~law or finance; and~~

9 ~~3.~~ Meet other specific requirements as specified by the
10 Commissioners of the Land Office.

11 C. The Secretary of the Land Office shall serve a four-year
12 term of service concurrent with the term of the appointing Governor
13 and the other elected officials on the Commission. The Secretary
14 may serve consecutive terms and may serve past the term of the
15 appointing Governor only until a successor is appointed. If the
16 appointment is terminated or if the Secretary resigns, becomes
17 incapacitated or for any reason is unable to perform the duties of
18 the Secretary, the Commissioners may appoint an acting Secretary
19 until a replacement may be appointed to complete the term as
20 provided for in this section.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2020.

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

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