

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 SENATE BILL 1527

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to fire protection districts;
8 amending 18 O.S. 2021, Sections 592 and 594, which
9 relate to fire departments for unincorporated areas;
10 modifying allowable services to be provided; and
11 providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 18 O.S. 2021, Section 592, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 592. The authority of persons associated together to
16 become incorporated as a charitable corporation for the purpose of
17 providing either a volunteer or full-time fire department for an
18 unincorporated area or place is hereby ratified and confirmed. Such
19 a corporate fire department shall have authority to provide fire
20 protective service and all other emergency services both to its
21 members and to nonmembers, either within or without the
22 unincorporated area wherein it is situated.

23 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 18 O.S. 2021, Section 594, is
24 amended to read as follows:

1 Section 594. Any charitable corporation formed in an
2 unincorporated area for the purpose of providing either a volunteer
3 or a full-time fire department, such as is mentioned in Section 592
4 of this title, shall be considered an agency of the State of
5 Oklahoma while actually performing the function of providing fire
6 protective services and all other emergency services either within
7 or without the unincorporated area wherein it is situated, and while
8 so engaged such corporation shall not be liable in tort for the acts
9 of its members or its firemen.

10 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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