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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to law enforcement unification;
8 creating the Law Enforcement Unification Commission;
9 providing for membership; designating selection of
10 the chair of the Commission; stating quorum of
11 membership and meeting requirements; providing for
12 travel reimbursement; stating objectives of
13 Commission; directing submission of report to
14 Legislature; providing staff for the Commission;
15 providing for codification; and declaring an
16 emergency.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 9100 of Title 74, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created, until December 1, 2022, the Law
Enforcement Unification Commission. The Commission shall be
composed of the following ten (10) members:

1. The Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety or
designee;

2. The Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation
or designee;

1 3. The Director of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and
2 Dangerous Drugs or designee;

3 4. The Director of the Oklahoma ABLE Commission or designee;

4 5. The Cabinet Secretary of Public Safety or designee;

5 6. The Deputy Cabinet Secretary of Public Safety;

6 7. The Attorney General or designee;

7 8. One member designated by the President Pro Tempore of the
8 Senate who shall be a current member of the Senate;

9 9. One member designated by the Speaker of the House of
10 Representatives who shall be a current member of the House of
11 Representatives; and

12 10. One member appointed by the Governor as a Special Advisor
13 to the Commission.

14 B. The Governor shall appoint the chair of the Commission from
15 within the Commission. A majority of the members shall constitute a
16 quorum for the purpose of conducting the business of the Commission.
17 The Commission shall meet monthly and at such other times as may be
18 called by the chair.

19 C. Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for
20 serving on the Commission but shall receive travel reimbursement for
21 necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their
22 duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the State
23 Travel Reimbursement Act.

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1 D. The Law Enforcement Unification Commission shall study,
2 evaluate and make recommendations as follows:

3 1. Unification of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation,
4 the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, the Department
5 of Public Safety and the Oklahoma ABLE Commission;

6 2. Development of a focused, common training and leadership
7 development program for all members of a unified public safety
8 agency that will be beneficial for recruitment of qualified law
9 enforcement officers; and

10 3. Creation of the Oklahoma Office of Inspector General within
11 the Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General.

12 E. The Commission shall prepare a report of its findings and
13 recommendations to be submitted to the Governor, President Pro
14 Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives
15 and the Chair of the Public Safety Committees in both the Senate and
16 the House of Representatives no later than December 1, 2021.

17 F. Staffing for the Commission shall be provided by the Senate.

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

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