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3 HOUSE BILL 2475

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to crimes and punishments;
8 prohibiting expenditure of public monies for certain
9 purposes relating to the Second Amendment of the
10 United States Constitution; deeming use of public
11 property, resources, employees, networks or time as
12 use of public funds; extending prohibitions to
13 certain activity; providing exemption for certain
14 persons; providing penalties; providing for
15 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 593 of Title 21, unless there is
19 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. It shall be unlawful for an individual working in any
21 capacity for a state entity or political subdivision of this state,
22 or any branch, division, foundation, contractor or affiliate of a
23 political subdivision, to expend any monies, funds or resources,
24 directly or indirectly, for:

1. Publicity or propaganda purposes opposing rights as stated
in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States;

1 2. Preparation, distribution or use of any kit, pamphlet,
2 booklet, publication, electronic communication, radio, television or
3 video presentation or other audiovisual presentation or material
4 designed to defeat the enactment of:

- 5 a. legislation before any federal or state governmental
6 entity relating to rights as stated in the Second
7 Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, or
- 8 b. any proposed or pending rule, regulation,
9 administrative action or order issued by any federal
10 or state governmental entity relating to rights as
11 stated in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of
12 the United States; or

13 3. Employment, retention or use of an executive or legislative
14 lobbyist or legislative liaison, as such terms are defined in the
15 Rules of the Ethics Commission, to support or defeat the enactment,
16 repeal or amendment of any legislation, rule, regulation,
17 administrative action or order by any federal or state governmental
18 entity in opposition to rights as stated in the Second Amendment to
19 the Constitution of the United States.

20 B. No individual, state entity or political subdivision of this
21 state, or any branch, division, foundation, contractor or affiliate
22 of a political subdivision, shall use any monies, funds or
23 resources, directly or indirectly, to pay the salary or expenses of
24 any public employee or grant or contract recipient, or agent acting

1 on behalf of such recipient, for any activity designed to influence
2 the enactment, repeal or amendment of legislation, an appropriation,
3 a regulation, an administrative action, rule or an executive order
4 proposed or pending before any federal or state governmental entity
5 in opposition to rights as stated in the Second Amendment to the
6 Constitution of the United States.

7 C. The use of public property, resources, employees, networks
8 or time shall be considered to be the use of funds pursuant to the
9 provisions of this section.

10 D. The prohibitions in subsections A and B of this section
11 shall include any activity to advocate or promote any proposed,
12 pending or future:

13 1. Federal or state tax, fine or fee increase relating to
14 rights as stated in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the
15 United States; or

16 2. Requirement or restriction on any legal consumer product,
17 including its sale or marketing, relating to rights as stated in the
18 Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

19 E. The provisions of this section shall not apply to:

20 1. Any person elected to a state, county or municipal office or
21 any person who is appointed to fill a vacancy in a state, county or
22 municipal office;

23 2. Any person presenting neutral testimony on behalf of an
24 organization; or

1 3. Any person stating a personal opinion while presenting
2 testimony.

3 F. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall,
4 upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of
5 One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), by imprisonment in the county jail
6 for a term of not more than one (1) year, or by both such fine and
7 imprisonment.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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