

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 SENATE BILL 1059

By: Woods

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to cemeteries; amending 8 O.S. 2021,  
8 Section 143, which relates to maintenance and  
9 improvement of certain cemeteries by county  
10 commissioners; requiring certain utilization;  
11 requiring certain county maintenance in certain  
12 circumstances; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 8 O.S. 2021, Section 143, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 143. In any county of this state, the board of county  
16 commissioners is hereby authorized and empowered to utilize  
17 employees under its jurisdiction and county-owned tools, machinery,  
18 equipment, and materials for the purposes of opening and closing  
19 graves and maintaining and improving any publicly owned cemetery or  
20 other cemetery within the county not owned and maintained by an  
21 individual or private organization; provided, that, there is a  
22 documented and known tribal burial presence, and where appropriate,  
23 a reasonable fee, not to exceed the actual cost of the service, may  
24 be charged for such services.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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