

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1776

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Oklahoma State Bureau of
8 Investigation; amending 74 O.S. 2011, Section 150.21,
9 which relates to the legal division of the Oklahoma
10 State Bureau of Investigation; modifying exception to
11 allow for certain appearances by attorneys of the
12 Bureau; and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 150.21, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 150.21 A. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation
17 shall establish or provide for a legal division and the Director may
18 employ two attorneys as needed, which attorneys, in addition to
19 advising the Director, the Commission and employees of the Bureau on
20 legal matters, may appear for and represent the Director, the
21 Commission and employees of the Bureau in administrative hearings
22 and other legal actions and proceedings. No ~~Bureau~~ attorney of the
23 Bureau shall enter an appearance in a criminal action nor engage in
24 private practice of the law while in the employment of the Oklahoma

1 State Bureau of Investigation, except for the purpose of
2 representing:

3 1. Representing the agency in motions to quash subpoenas, other
4 discovery matters, expungement applications, evidentiary hearings,
5 and forfeiture proceedings; or

6 2. Representing the agency when requested to do so by another
7 prosecuting authority.

8 B. It shall continue to be the duty of the Attorney General to
9 give official opinions to and to prosecute and defend actions for
10 the Director, Commission and employees of the Bureau, if requested
11 to do so.

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

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