

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 SENATE BILL 146

By: Newhouse

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to health care facilities; defining  
8 term; requiring health care facility to grant  
9 religious exemption to employees who object to  
10 certain immunization; providing for codification; and  
11 providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-725 of Title 63, unless there  
15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. As used in this section, "health care facility" means any  
17 public or private organization, corporation, authority, partnership,  
18 sole proprietorship, association, agency, network, joint venture or  
19 other entity that is involved in providing health care services  
20 including a hospital, clinic, medical center, ambulatory surgical  
21 center, private physician's office, pharmacy, nursing home,  
22 university hospital, medical school, nursing school, medical  
23 training facility, inpatient health care facility or other place  
24 where health care services are provided.

1 B. A health care facility that requires immunizations shall be  
2 required to grant a religious exemption to any employee who objects  
3 to an immunization against influenza upon the grounds that it  
4 conflicts with the employee's bona fide religious beliefs and  
5 practices.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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