

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 SENATE BILL 1748

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to absentee ballots; amending 26 O.S.
8 2021, Section 14-105, which relates to applications
9 for ballot; requiring certain disclosure; providing
10 list of allowable reasons; and providing an effective
11 date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2021, Section 14-105, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 14-105. A. Any registered voter may apply for an
16 absentee ballot in person at the county election board, by United
17 States mail, by telegraph, by facsimile device as defined in Section
18 1862 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes or by a means of
19 electronic communication designated by the Secretary of the State
20 Election Board. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall
21 prescribe a form to be used for the application, although any
22 application setting forth substantially the same facts shall be
23 valid.

1 B. The form to be used for the application, prescribed pursuant
2 to subsection A of this section, shall contain a list of valid
3 reasons for requesting the absentee ballot. To receive an absentee
4 ballot, the voter must select one valid reason on the form. The
5 valid reasons shall include:

- 6 1. Out of the jurisdiction;
- 7 2. Physical illness or physical disability;
- 8 3. Work related;
- 9 4. Education;
- 10 5. Military service;
- 11 6. Religion;
- 12 7. Election official;
- 13 8. Elderly;
- 14 9. Incarcerated or institutionalized;
- 15 10. Jury duty; and
- 16 11. Confidentiality program.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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