

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 1776

By: Conley

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

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

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

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

1 private practice of the law while in the employment of the Oklahoma
2 State Bureau of Investigation, except for the purpose of
3 representing the agency in motions to quash subpoenas, other
4 discovery matters, expungement applications, evidentiary hearings,
5 and forfeiture proceedings when requested to do so by another
6 prosecuting authority.

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

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

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