ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 2621

ENACTED BY THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE

54TH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

NUMBERED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

**STATE QUESTION NUMBER 770**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NUMBER 365**

**And**

**STATE QUESTION NUMBER 771**

**LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NUMBER 366**

RECEIVED: MAY 21, 2014

# An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2621

By: Reynolds, Bennett and Johnson of the House

and

Brecheen and Simpson of the Senate

An Act relating to ad valorem taxes; directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Section 8E of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution; allowing qualified veteran or surviving spouse who acquires a new homestead property to obtain specified exemption in the same year during which an exemption was claimed for previous homestead property; providing ballot title; directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection the proposed addition of a new Section 8F of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution; providing an ad valorem exemption for the full fair cash value of a homestead for the un-remarried surviving spouse of a member of the Armed Forces determined to have died while in the line of duty; establishing eligibility requirements; allowing surviving spouse who acquires a new homestead property to obtain specified exemption in the same year during which an exemption was claimed for previous homestead property; providing for applicability of provision; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

SUBJECT: Ad valorem taxes

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

SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Section 8E of Article X of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 8E. A. Despite any provision to the contrary, beginning January 1, 2006, each head of household who has been honorably discharged from active service in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States or Oklahoma National Guard and who has been certified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor to have a one hundred percent (100%) permanent disability sustained through military action or accident or resulting from disease contracted while in such active service or the surviving spouse of such head of household shall be entitled to claim an exemption for the full amount of the fair cash value of the homestead.

B. In order to be eligible for the exemption authorized by this section, the individual shall be required to prove residency within the State of Oklahoma and must have previously qualified for the homestead exemption authorized by law or be eligible for the homestead exemption pursuant to law.

C. If a homestead otherwise eligible for the exemption authorized by this section is transferred on or after January 1 of a calendar year, another homestead property acquired by the qualifying head of household or by the surviving spouse of such qualifying head of household shall be exempt to the same extent as the homestead property previously owned by such person or persons for the year during which the new homestead is acquired and, subject to the requirements of this section, for each year thereafter.

SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this act shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. ____ State Question No. ____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends Section 8E of Article 10. This section provides a homestead exemption to certain qualifying disabled veterans. It also

provides a homestead exemption to the surviving spouse of qualifying disabled veterans. This measure would allow either the veteran or his or her surviving spouse to sell the homestead but acquire another homestead property in the same calendar year. The exemption would apply to the newly acquired homestead property to the same extent as the original exemption for the homestead property that was sold.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL – YES _____

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL – NO _____

SECTION 3. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 8F to Article X thereof, to read as follows:

Section 8F. A. Despite any provision to the contrary, and except as otherwise provided by subsection D of this section, beginning January 1, 2015, the surviving spouse of the head of household who is determined by the United States Department of Defense or any branch of the United States military to have died while in the line of duty shall be entitled to claim an exemption for the full amount of the fair cash value of the homestead until such surviving spouse remarries.

B. In order to be eligible for the exemption authorized by this section, the surviving spouse shall be required to prove residency within the State of Oklahoma and must have previously qualified for the homestead exemption authorized by law or be eligible for the homestead exemption pursuant to law.

C. If a homestead otherwise eligible for the exemption authorized by this section is transferred on or after January 1 of a calendar year, another homestead property acquired by the surviving spouse shall be exempt to the same extent as the homestead property previously owned by such person for the year during which the new homestead is acquired and, subject to the requirements of this section, for each year thereafter.

D. The provisions of this section shall be applicable for the 2014 calendar year with respect to an existing homestead property

owned by the surviving spouse of a person previously determined to have died while in the line of duty by the United States Department of Defense or applicable branch of the United States military.

SECTION 4. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in SECTION 3 of this act shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. ____ State Question No. ____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It would add a new Section 8F to Article 10. It would create a homestead exemption for the surviving spouse of military personnel who die in the line of duty. The United States Department of Defense or the applicable branch of the United States military would make the determination regarding whether the person engaged in military service died while in the line of duty. It would provide the surviving spouse of such person with a one hundred percent (100%) exemption for the fair cash value of the homestead until the surviving spouse remarried. This measure would allow the surviving spouse to sell the homestead, but acquire another homestead property in the same calendar year. The exemption would apply to the newly acquired homestead property to the same extent as the original exemption for the homestead property that was sold. The exemption would apply beginning in calendar year 2015. The exemption would also apply for the 2014 calendar year if the surviving spouse meets applicable requirements.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL – YES _____

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL – NO _____

SECTION 5. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this act, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Titles set forth in SECTIONS 2 and 4 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of May, 2014.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 24th day of April, 2014.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 21st day of May, 20 14, at 11:35 o'clock A.M.

By: Chris Bunge

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ATTORNEY GENERAL

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

Mary Fallin
Governor

# OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

May 22, 2014

hand delivered

The Honorable E. Scott Pruitt
Attorney General
313 NE 21st Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Re: State Question 770, Legislative Referendum 365
Proposed Constitutional Amendment Ad Valorem Taxes

Dear Attorney General Pruitt:

You are hereby notified that Enrolled House Bill Number 2621 was received in the Office of the Secretary of State on May 21, 2014. This resolution has been designated as **State Question Number 770, Legislative Referendum Number 365.**

Pursuant to 34 O.S. §9(C), this office is submitting the proposed ballot title to you for review.

If our office may be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

Enclosure: State Question Number 770, Legislative Referendum Number 365

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The Honorable Mary Fallin
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State Capitol, Room 212
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STATE ELECTION BOARD

Secretary Paul Ziriax
Oklahoma State Election Board
State Capitol, Room 3
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Re: State Question 770, Legislative Referendum 365
Proposed Constitutional Amendment Ad Valorem Taxes

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May 29, 2014

Senator Brian Bingman
President Pro Tempore
Oklahoma Senate
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Representative Jeff Hickman
Speaker of the House of Representatives
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2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Room 301B
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Senator Josh Brecheen
2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Room 413
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105-4897

**Re: Ballot Title for State Question No. 771, Legislative Referendum No. 366**

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with the provisions of 34 O.S.2011, § 9(C), we have reviewed the Ballot Title for the above-referenced State Question and conclude that it complies with applicable laws.

As a Title 34 ballot title review, this does letter not constitute an Attorney General Opinion on the merits or constitutionality of the underlying proposed change in the law, nor on the ability of federal law to preempt the proposed changes.

Respectfully submitted,

E. SCOTT PRUITT
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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# OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

June 2, 2014

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STATE ELECTION BOARD

The Honorable Paul Ziriax
Secretary, State Election Board
State Capitol, Room B-6
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Re: **State Question 770, Legislative Referendum 365**
Proposed Constitutional Amendment Homestead Exemption Disabled Veterans
**State Question 771, Legislative Referendum 366**
Proposed New Section to Oklahoma Constitution Homestead Exemption to Surviving Spouse

Dear Secretary Ziriax:

In accordance with the provisions of 34 O.S. § 9(C)(2), I herewith transmit State Question 770, Legislative Referendum 365 and State Question 771, Legislative Referendum 366, attesting that the enclosed copy of House Bill 2621 is a true and accurate copy of the measure filed with this office. Also enclosed is the Final Ballot Title review as prepared by the Attorney General.

If our office may be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

Enclosures: State Question 770, Legislative Referendum 365
State Question 771, Legislative Referendum 366
Attorney General's Final Ballot Title Reviews

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# OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

June 2, 2014

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable Mary Fallin
Governor, State of Oklahoma
State Capitol, Room 212
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

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**State Question 771, Legislative Referendum 366**
Proposed New Section to Oklahoma Constitution Homestead Exemption to Surviving Spouse

Dear Governor Fallin:

Pursuant to 34 O.S. § 9(C)(2), the Secretary of State has transmitted to the Secretary of the State Election Board an attested copy of the above referenced measure. A copy of the transmittal letter and the Attorney General's Final Ballot Title are enclosed.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

Enclosures: Transmittal letter to Secretary of the State Election Board
Attorney General's Final Ballot Title

*Mary Fallin*
*Governor*

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JUN 19 2014
OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**
**EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION**

I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the provisions of Section 3 of Article V and Section 1 of Article XXIV of the Oklahoma Constitution, Section 12 of Title 34 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and the referral by the Secretary of State, do hereby declare that Legislative Referendum Number 366, State Question 771, be submitted to qualified electors of the State of Oklahoma for their approval or rejection at the general election to be held statewide on November 4, 2014.

The substance of the measure is as follows:

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It would add a new Section 8F to Article 10. It would create a homestead exemption for the surviving spouse of military personnel who die in the line of duty. The United States Department of Defense or the applicable branch of the United States military would make the determination regarding whether the person engaged in military service died while in the line of duty. It would provide the surviving spouse of such person with a one hundred percent (100%) exemption for the fair cash value of the homestead until the surviving spouse remarried. This measure would allow the surviving spouse to sell the homestead, but acquire another homestead property in the same calendar year. The exemption would apply to the newly acquired homestead property to the same extent as the original exemption for the homestead property that was sold. The exemption would apply beginning in calendar year 2015. The exemption would also apply for the 2014 calendar year if the surviving spouse meets applicable requirements.

Copies of this Executive Proclamation shall be delivered to the Secretary of State, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Secretary of the State Election Board.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma this 19th day of June, 2014.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Mary Fallin

MARY FALLIN

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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Chris Benge
Secretary of State

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July 17, 2014

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STATE ELECTION BOARD

The Honorable Paul Ziriax
Secretary, State Election Board
State Capitol, Room B-6
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Re: **State Question 770, Legislative Referendum 365**
Proposed Constitutional Amendment Homestead Exemption Disabled Veterans
**State Question 771, Legislative Referendum 366**
Proposed New Section to Oklahoma Constitution Homestead Exemption to Surviving Spouse

Dear Secretary Ziriax:

Please find enclosed true and exact copies of **Executive Proclamations (S.O.S. Document Numbers 47016 & 47017)** regarding the election date for State Question 770, Legislative Referendum 365 and State Question 771, Legislative Referendum 366.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

**Enclosure:** **Copy - Executive Proclamation filed 06/19/2014 (S.O.S. Document No. 47016)**
**Copy - Executive Proclamation filed 06/19/2014 (S.O.S. Document No. 47017)**

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

Mary Fallin
Governor

# OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

October 1, 2014

Cindy Shea
Oklahoma Press Association
3601 N. Lincoln Blvd
Oklahoma City, Ok 73105-5499

Dear Ms. Shea:

Please find enclosed the Notice of Proposed Measures which will appear to the qualified electors of the State of Oklahoma for their approval or rejection at the general election to be held November 4, 2014.

Pursuant to Okla. Const. article 5 & 24, Title 34 O.S., §17, this letter serves as your authority to place the enclosed legal notice to be published, no later than Sunday, October 26, 2014, once in *The Oklahoman*, *Tulsa World*, and *The Journal Record* and also to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in each county of Oklahoma, if there be such.

Please provide the Proof of Publication Affidavits as soon as possible and if there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

Enc: Notice of Proposed Measures (General Election – November 4, 2014)

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# NOTICE OF PROPOSED MEASURES
## APPEARING ON THE BALLOT FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION

In accordance with Okla. Const. article 5 & 24, Title 34 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 17, notice is hereby given for the proposed measures which will appear on the ballot at the general election to be held November 4, 2014.

Chris Benge
Secretary of State

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## BALLOT TITLES – November 4, 2014 General Election

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### STATE QUESTION No. 769, LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM No. 364

This measure amends Article 2, Section 12 of the Oklahoma Constitution. That Section currently imposes limits on an individual simultaneously holding certain government offices. The amendment would permit those serving in state offices of trust or profit to also hold certain military positions. Holders of an Oklahoma office of trust or profit who currently cannot simultaneously hold certain positions, include:

- Legislators;
- State Judges;
- District Attorneys;
- Statewide elected officials, such as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General and Treasurer;
- Members of State Boards, Agencies and Commissions, and
- Many County Officers.

The measure creates a state of constitutional right permitting holders of Oklahoma offices of trust or profit to also serve and be called to active duty or active service in the following military positions:

1. An Officer or Enlisted Member of
    - The National Guard,
    - The National Guard Reserve,
    - The Oklahoma State Guard, or
    - Any other active militia or military force organized under State law;
2. An Officer to the Officers Reserve Corps of the United States; or
3. An Enlisted Member of the Organized Reserves of the United States.

The measure empowers the Legislature to enact laws to implement the amended Section.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?
FOR THE PROPOSAL – YES _____
AGAINST THE PROPOSAL – NO _____

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## STATE QUESTION No. 770, LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM No. 365

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends Section 8E of Article 10. This section provides a homestead exemption to certain qualifying disabled veterans. It also provides a homestead exemption to the surviving spouse of qualifying disabled veterans. This measure would allow either the veteran or his or her surviving spouse to sell the homestead but acquire another homestead property in the same calendar year. The exemption would apply to the newly acquired homestead property to the same extent as the original exemption for the homestead property that was sold.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?
FOR THE PROPOSAL – YES _____
AGAINST THE PROPOSAL – NO _____

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## STATE QUESTION No. 771, LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM No. 366

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SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?
FOR THE PROPOSAL – YES _____
AGAINST THE PROPOSAL – NO _____

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# Oklahoma State Election Board

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November 12, 2014

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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

The Honorable Chris Benge
Secretary of State
Room 101, State Capitol
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Dear Mr. Benge:

Enclosed please find a copy of the official returns of the vote at the General Election on November 4, 2014, on the following measures, as certified to the Governor of the State of Oklahoma.

State Question No. 769, Legislative Referendum No. 364

State Question No. 770, Legislative Referendum No. 365

State Question No. 771, Legislative Referendum No. 366

Sincerely,

Paul Ziriax

PAUL ZIRIAX, Secretary
State Election Board

Receipt of the above hereby is acknowledged on this 12th day of November, 2014.

By: Chris Benge

Time: 6:16 PM

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State Question No. 769
Legislative Referendum No. 364

YES: 540,988
NO: 237,966

State Question No. 770
Legislative Referendum No. 365

YES: 710,134
NO: 75,522

State Question No. 771
Legislative Referendum No. 366

YES: 711,424
NO: 74,697