

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 675

By: Burns, Bullard, and Rogers
of the Senate

3 and

4 Humphrey of the House

5
6 [state parks - Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation
7 Department - funds and accounts - tort claims -
8 succession - codification - effective date]

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

10 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
11 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2229.1C of Title 74, unless
12 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

13 A. By January 1, 2024, all properties held in fee title, lease
14 or otherwise, including interests in land, real estate options, or
15 real estate contracts designated for Hugo Lake Park are hereby
16 transferred to the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department.

17 B. Appropriate conveyances and other documents shall be
18 executed by January 1, 2024, to effectuate the transfer of Hugo Lake
19 Park.

20 C. The Department shall establish appropriate funds and
21 accounts, including a revolving fund in the Office of Management and
22 Enterprise Services, for servicing the fiscal operations of the
23 park. Such funds and accounts shall be subject to the direct
24 supervision, management, and control of the Department.

1 D. The Department shall not be responsible for any claims
2 arising under The Governmental Tort Claims Act accrued prior to
3 January 1, 2024, claims arising from any other actions accrued prior
4 to January 1, 2024, or tort claims arising prior to January 1, 2024,
5 for which no claim has accrued upon the date of transfer. The
6 Department shall not be responsible for any claims arising out of
7 construction begun before January 1, 2024, at Hugo Lake Park.

8 E. 1. The Department shall succeed to any contractual rights
9 and responsibilities of the previous operators of Hugo Lake Park,
10 including but not limited to:

11 a. any responsibilities for payment of rents or other
12 obligations, and

13 b. any responsibilities related to contractual agreements
14 with nonprofit organizations.

15 2. The Department may enter into one or more contracts for
16 management services of the state park. The duties and benefits
17 arising under any contract for management services of any part of
18 the previous operators that is in effect on January 1, 2024, shall
19 be assigned to the Department. The contract may be renewable at the
20 option of the Department but not to exceed a cumulative period of
21 fifty (50) years.

22 F. The Department shall promulgate the rules necessary for the
23 transfer of property from Hugo Lake Park to the Oklahoma state park
24 system.

