1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)
3	SENATE BILL 135 By: Simpson
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7	An Act relating to state purchasing procedures;
8	amending 74 O.S. 2011, Section 85.3A, as last amended by Section 9, Chapter 269, O.S.L. 2016 (74 O.S. Supp.
9	2018, Section 85.3A), which relates to the Central Purchasing Act; modifying exempt agencies; providing
10	for certain preference to honorably discharged veterans; defining term; providing for test of
11	<pre>majority ownership interests; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and</pre>
12	declaring an emergency.
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14	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
15	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 85.3A, as
16	last amended by Section 9, Chapter 269, O.S.L. 2016 (74 O.S. Supp.
17	2018, Section 85.3A), is amended to read as follows:
18	Section 85.3A. A. Compliance with the provisions of The
19	Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act shall not be required of:
20	1. County government;
21	2. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the
22	institutions, centers, or other constituent agencies of The Oklahoma
23	State System of Higher Education;
24	3. The telecommunications network known as OneNet;

4. The Department of Public Safety gun range;

5. The State Treasurer for the following purchases:

a. services, including, but not limited to, legal services to assist in the administration of the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, as provided in Section 668 of Title 60 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and

b. software, hardware and associated services to assist in the administration of funds and securities held by the state, as provided in Section 71.2 of Title 62 of

the Oklahoma Statutes; or

6. CompSource Oklahoma if CompSource Oklahoma is operating pursuant to a pilot program authorized by Sections 3316 and 3317 of this title; or

7. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs.

B. The State Purchasing Director may form an advisory committee consisting of representatives from entities exempted from the provisions of The Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act. The purpose of the committee shall be to allow committee members to provide input into the development of shared state purchasing contracts, collaboratively participate in the integration of their purchasing platforms or electronic purchasing catalogs, analyze solutions that may be used by state government to meet the purchasing needs of the entities, explore joint purchases of general use items that result in mutual procurement of quality goods and services at the lowest

reasonable cost and explore flexibility, administrative relief, and transformation changes through utilization of procurement technology.

- C. At the invitation of the State Purchasing Director entities exempted from the provisions of The Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act shall participate in the advisory committee referenced in subsection B of this section.
- D. The State Purchasing Director may invite representatives of local government and local common education entities to participate as members of the advisory committee.
- SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 63.22 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs may grant a preference for purposes of the expenditure of funds for tangible or intangible personal property or services to be acquired by the agency to an honorably discharged veteran or to a lawfully recognized business entity the majority ownership of which fifty-one percent (51%) or more is held by an honorably discharged veteran at the time the contract is awarded.
- B. No individual veteran or veteran-owned business entity, as defined in paragraph A of this section, shall be eligible for consideration as a vendor pursuant to this section unless the individual veteran or veteran-owned business entity has registered

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    with the federal System for Award Management (SAM.gov) in the same
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    manner as required to do business with the federal government.
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        C. As used in this section, the term "veteran" shall be defined
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    in accordance with Section 2 of Title 72 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
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        SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.
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        SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
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    of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
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    declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
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    be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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