



OFFICE OF

No. SB 738

THE GOVERNOR
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA., June 6, 20 10

TIME SIGNED: 1:38pm

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
AND MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA SENATE
SECOND SESSION OF THE
FIFTY SECOND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 738:

This is to advise you that on this date, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 and 12 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution to approve or object to legislation presented to me, I have VETOED Senate Bill 738. This legislation contains many important reforms and efficiencies, but it is fatally flawed because of one provision. SB 738 creates a new, duplicative and unnecessary position, agency transition coordinator, at the salary of \$80,000, but does not justify the need for the post. At a time when the state has been forced to cut many important programs and services, the creation of such a position cannot be justified or supported. Because SB 738 contains many other positive provisions to help make the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner more efficient and effective, I will urge the agency's governing board to administratively implement as many of those proposals as possible until the matters can be addressed in statute by the next Legislature.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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**OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
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By Barbara McCune

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