



OFFICE OF

HB 3152

No. _____

THE GOVERNOR
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA., May 30, 2012

TIME SIGNED: 12:25 pm

TO THE HONORABLE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SECOND SESSION OF THE
FIFTY THIRD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 3152:

This is to advise you that on this date, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution to approve or object to legislation presented to me, I have VETOED House Bill 3152.

House Bill 3152 removes the salary cap for deputy directors and division directors at the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) and permits the Director of that agency to establish and set the salaries for these positions. This legislation also raises the salary caps for OSBI agents. Lastly, House Bill 3152 entirely removes the salary cap for the Directors of OSBI, Board of Dentistry, Board of Nursing, Teachers' Retirement System, and the Oklahoma State Banking Department. Salary caps create a consistent level of pay for each position. Current law permits pay raises based upon recommendations by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to the legislature. The Office of Personnel Management analyzes the duties and pay of state positions to determine if a pay raise is warranted. This approach is data driven and need-based. As such, I have directed OPM to begin this process in preparation for the 2013 legislative session.

While I appreciate the hard work and dedication of the particular state agencies receiving pay raises from House Bill 3152, I know that there are state employees at all agencies who work hard and may be deserving of a pay raise.

Moreover, removing the salary caps allows the Board members or Directors of the agencies in House Bill 3152 to increase salaries, at will, rather than through the standardized guidelines established by the Office of Personnel Management.

House Bill 3152 does not constitute good public policy and does not further the well-being of the citizens of Oklahoma.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Mary Fallin

By Collette A. Haucher
Date/Time 5/30/12 2:17pm

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