| 1 | STATE OF OKLAHOMA |
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| 2 | 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016) |
| 3 | HOUSE BILL 3051 By: Kern |
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| 7 | An Act relating to firearms; creating the 2nd |
| 8 | Amendment Preservation Act; providing short title; making certain findings; prohibiting state agencies, |
| 9 | political subdivisions and employees from enforcing or attempting to enforce certain federal laws, rules |
| 10 | or regulations; prohibiting the utilization of state assets or funds for certain purposes; providing |
| 11 | penalties; providing limitations on state grant funds; providing for codification; and providing an |
| 12 | effective date. |
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| 14 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: |
| 15 | SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified |
| 16 | in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1289.31 of Title 21, unless |
| 17 | there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows: |
| 18 | A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "2nd |
| 19 | Amendment Preservation Act". |
| 20 | B. The Legislature of the State of Oklahoma finds: |
| 21 | 1. That the right to keep and bear arms is a fundamental |
| 22 | individual right that shall not be infringed; |
| 23 | 2. That it is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this |

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act to protect Oklahoma employees, including law enforcement

officers, from being directed through federal executive orders, agency orders, statutes, laws, rules or regulations enacted or promulgated on or after the effective date of this act, to violate their oath of office and individual rights affirmed under the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution for the United States and Section 26 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma;

- 3. That pursuant to and in furtherance of the principles of federalism enshrined in the Constitution of the United States, the federal government may not commandeer the officers, agents or employees of this state to participate in the enforcement or facilitation of any federal program not expressly required by the Constitution of the United States;
- 4. That this right to be free from the commandeering hand of the federal government has been most notably recognized by the United States Supreme Court in *Printz v. United States*, 521 U.S. 898, when the Supreme Court held that "The Federal Government may neither issue directives requiring the States to address particular problems, nor command the States' officers, or those of their political subdivisions, to administer or enforce a federal regulatory program"; and
- 5. That the anti-commandeering principles recognized by the United States Supreme Court in *Printz v. United States*, 521 U.S. 898, are predicated upon the advice of James Madison, who in Federalist No. 46 advised "a refusal to cooperate with officers of

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the Union" in response to either unconstitutional federal measures or constitutional but unpopular federal measures.

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- C. Other than compliance with an order of the court, notwithstanding any law, regulation, rule or order to the contrary, no agency of this state, political subdivision of this state, or employee of an agency or political subdivision of this state acting in his or her official capacity shall:
- 1. Knowingly and willingly participate in any way in the enforcement of any federal act, law, order, rule or regulation issued, enacted or promulgated on or after the effective date of this act regarding a personal firearm, firearm accessory or ammunition; or
- 2. Utilize any assets, state funds or funds allocated by the state to local entities on or after the effective date of this act, in whole or in part, to engage in any activity that aids a federal agency, federal agent, or corporation providing services to the federal government in the enforcement or any investigation pursuant to the enforcement of any federal act, law, order, rule or regulation issued, enacted or promulgated on or after the effective date of this act regarding a personal firearm, firearm accessory or ammunition.
- D. Any agent or employee of this state or of any political subdivision of this state who knowingly violates the prohibitions in subsection C of this act shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a

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misdemeanor punishable by a fine in an amount not to exceed One Thousand Dollars ($1,000.00). Any person convicted of a second or subsequent violation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00).
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E. A political subdivision of this state may not receive state grant funds if the political subdivision adopts a rule, order, ordinance or policy under which the political subdivision violates subsection C of this act. State grant funds for the political subdivision shall be denied for the fiscal year following the year in which a final judicial determination in an action brought under this section is made that the political subdivision has intentionally required actions which violate the prohibitions provided for in subsection C of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.

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