

1                           **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**  
2                           April 15, 2025

3                           ENGROSSED HOUSE  
4                           BILL NO. 1738

By: Adams and Moore of the  
House

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9                           An Act relating to public health and safety;  
10                          exempting public trust hospitals from the Oklahoma  
11                          Open Meeting Act and Oklahoma Open Records Act under  
12                          certain circumstances; authorizing executive  
13                          sessions; providing exception related to budget  
14                          information; defining term; providing for  
15                          codification; and providing an effective date.

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

17                          SECTION 1.        NEW LAW        A new section of law to be codified

18                          in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3310 of Title 63, unless there  
19                          is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20                          In the event a public trust hospital enters into a joint venture  
21                          with or acquires an interest in a not-for-profit entity to  
22                          effectuate the administration of the mission of the public trust,  
23                          that entity shall not be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act  
24                          and the Oklahoma Open Records Act. Any information submitted to or  
                                compiled by the public trust with respect to marketing plans,

1 financial statements, trade secrets, research concepts, methods or  
2 products or any other proprietary information submitted to or  
3 compiled by the trust, persons, firms, associations, partnerships,  
4 agencies, corporations, institutions of higher education, nonprofit  
5 research institutions, or other entities shall be confidential,  
6 except to the extent that the person or entity which provided such  
7 information or which is the subject of such information consents to  
8 disclosure. Executive sessions may be held to discuss such  
9 materials if deemed necessary by the trust. The provisions of this  
10 section shall not apply to budgetary information related to  
11 appropriations or the appropriations process. For purposes of this  
12 section, "public trust hospital" is defined as any hospital created  
13 pursuant to Section 176.1 of Title 60 of the Oklahoma Statutes or  
14 Section 790.1 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

16 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY  
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