Subject: Oklahoma

Posted by Manualblock on Thu, 15 Jun 2006 12:43:42 GMT

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Hey surprise surprise; I just found out that OK not only has a political referendum process for all the people to vote on key issues; but it was one of the first of the western states to adopt that process. People of the state are asked all the time to vote directly on ballott initiatives affecting their state. Direct participation in governing themselves. There was a right to work provision in state law that came up in 2002 that many of Ok's finest citizens voted on. Direct action by the states citizens participating in their political process and being part of the government. Now maybe the first ballott initiative wasn't so hot. The folks in the grand state were angry because someone wanted to take away their rights to promote "Cockfights". The fear that that form of entertainment would be outlawed spurred the legislature to adopt a referendum process in 1906 to allow the people to vote and maintain that sports predominance in their state. Sadly for them it was soundly passed and cockfighting was outlawed. But a good example of people making up the government.

Subject: Re: Oklahoma

Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 15 Jun 2006 14:18:58 GMT

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Oklahoma's state government is pretty good, really. I'd like us to be a little more business-freindly, to attract more jobs. Lots of energy related businesses (which used to be our mainstay) have moved to Texas. But Oklahoma is OK. (bad pun, please forgive.)

Subject: Re: Oklahoma

Posted by akhilesh on Thu, 15 Jun 2006 14:35:46 GMT

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NO, no. Oklahoma is REALLY redneck. People in blue states, PLEASE don't move here. Leave us alone in our hell!-akhilesh

Subject: Re: Oklahoma

Posted by Manualblock on Thu, 15 Jun 2006 14:51:38 GMT

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Why do you see a huge migration lately? Also I agree; it's nice to see the people taking their

responsibilities and participation in government seriously.

Subject: Re: Oklahoma

Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 15 Jun 2006 15:39:41 GMT

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You oughtta see Austin. Like Brokeback Mouintain. Seriously, I like the town. But wow, I mean, rednecks with weirdness and proud of it!

Subject: Re: Oklahoma

Posted by akhilesh on Fri, 16 Jun 2006 13:36:18 GMT

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I know. I was in Autsin last year for a week. Overpriced, underdeveloped. But better than the coasts. -akhilesh

Subject: Re: Oklahoma

Posted by Manualblock on Fri, 16 Jun 2006 14:04:00 GMT

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Say AK; I didn't know you were familiar with the East Coast; when and where were you living if I my ask? Anywhere near here?