

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL NO. 286

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AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO CHILDREN; AMENDING SECTION 1, CHAPTER 312, O.S.L. 1982, AS LAST AMENDED BY SECTION 2, CHAPTER 288, O.S.L. 1990 AND SECTION 2, CHAPTER 312, O.S.L. 1982, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 3, CHAPTER 288, O.S.L. 1990 (10 O.S. SUPP. 1990, SECTIONS 601.1 AND 601.2), WHICH RELATE TO THE OKLAHOMA COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH, MEMBERSHIP, MEETINGS AND LEGAL COUNSEL; MODIFYING STATUTORY REFERENCE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 1982, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 288, O.S.L. 1990 (10 O.S. Supp. 1990, Section 601.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 601.1 There is hereby created the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth which shall be composed of fifteen (15) members. The membership shall include:

1. The Director of the Department of Human Services, the State Commissioner of Health, the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Chairman of the SJR 13 Oversight Committee, or their designees. A designee shall be a person

knowledgeable regarding programs and services for children and youth provided by the agency the designee represents and shall have authority to act on the Commission for the designating officer;

2. Five members who shall be appointed by the Governor from a list submitted by the governing board of each of the following organizations:

- a. a statewide association of children's institutions and agencies,
- b. a statewide association of youth services,
- c. the Oklahoma Bar Association,
- d. the Oklahoma District Attorney's Association, and
- e. a statewide court-appointed Special Advocate Association;

3. One member appointed by the Governor who shall represent one of the metropolitan juvenile bureaus;

4. One member from the public at large, appointed by the Governor;

5. One member, from the public at large, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

6. One member, from the public at large, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

7. One member elected by the Oklahoma Planning and Coordinating Council for Services to Children and Youth as provided by ~~Section 11 of this act~~ Section 601.8 of this title. Said elected member shall serve a two-year term and may be reelected.

The appointed members shall have had active experience in services to children and youth, shall serve for a term of two (2) years, and may be reappointed.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 1982, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 288, O.S.L. 1990 (10 O.S. Supp. 1990, Section 601.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 601.2 A. The members of the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth, shall be appointed on or before July 1, 1982, and within thirty (30) days after their appointment, shall organize and elect a chairman. The chairman shall be elected annually by the Commission members. The Commission shall hold at least four (4) regular quarterly meetings each year and such other special meetings as may be necessary at the call of the Chairman or by a majority of the members of the Commission. Special meetings may be called on notice given at least five (5) days in advance of the date of such meetings. At any regular or special meeting of the Commission, eight members shall constitute a quorum, and a concurring vote of a majority of the members of the Commission present shall be necessary to conduct official business of the Commission.

B. Members of the Commission shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act, Section 500.1 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. The Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth shall be subject to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, Sections 250 et seq. and 301 et seq. of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

D. The Attorney General of the State of Oklahoma shall serve as legal counsel for the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth and shall assist the Commission in the performance of its designated duties.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

