

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 43rd Legislature (1992)

SENATE BILL NO. 616

BY: ROBERTS

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL DEFENSE; AMENDING 21 O.S.

1991, SECTION 156, WHICH RELATES TO THE DEFENSE OF

DURESS; EXPANDING THE DEFENSE OF DURESS; AND

DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 1991, Section 156, is amended to read as follows:

Section 156. ~~The~~ A person is entitled to assert duress which excuses a as a defense if that person from punishment who has committed a prohibited act or omission must be an actual compulsion by use of force or fear because of a reasonable belief that there was imminent danger of death or great bodily harm from another upon himself or a spouse or child of such person.

SECTION 2. 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.