

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR ENGROSSED  
SENATE BILL NO. 1126

By: Hobson of the Senate

and

Hilliard of the House

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( Department of Corrections - authorizing establishment of  
a special correctional center - codification - effective  
date )

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 509.6 of Title 57, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Department of Corrections is authorized, subject to  
legislative appropriation, to establish a special correctional  
center designed solely for the imprisonment of elderly persons and  
physically disabled persons in the custody of the Department. The  
Department shall consider the unique needs of the elderly offender  
and the physically disabled offender when designing the facility or  
renovating an existing facility for this purpose and when  
implementing any program or service for such persons.

Only the following offenders shall be eligible for placement in  
the facility:

1. Persons aged sixty-five (65) years or older who are deemed  
not suitable for placement in the general population of another  
facility; and

2. Persons who are physically disabled upon reception into the custody of the Department, or who become physically disabled during the term of their incarceration within the custody of the Department, and whose disability requires the continuous use of a wheelchair or other special equipment, or whose disability requires special assistance, services or accommodations which another facility is not designed or equipped to meet.

The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require the creation or construction of an entirely new correctional facility and the Department may consider renovation of an existing state building or correctional facility.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1998.

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