ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1391

By: Seikel and Boyd (Laura) of the House

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(children - Coordination of Automated Information System for Children Act - data sharing and analysis - codification - emergency)

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 630.1 of Title 10, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Coordination of Automated Information System for Children Act".

B. The purpose of the Coordination of Automated Information System for Children Act is to design and implement an automated coordinated system that provides data linkages for the sharing of case information and aggregate data analysis for planning, research, outcome evaluation and service coordination.

C. The system is to be implemented through interagency agreements and will utilize a database application that supports information sharing to reduce duplication, improve service delivery and allow data analysis for evaluation. The application is to be jointly developed, implemented and utilized by the public agencies responsible for services to Oklahoma children and private agencies

that provide such services pursuant to a contract with a state agency.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 630.2 of Title 10, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Entities which will jointly design and implement the automated coordinated system shall include, but not be limited to:

1. The Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth;

2. The Oklahoma Department of Human Services;

3. The State Department of Health;

4. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services;

5. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority;

6. The State Department of Education;

7. The Office of State Finance;

8. The Office of Juvenile Affairs;

9. The State Department of Rehabilitation Services;

10. The Department of Commerce; and

11. Consumer representatives.

B. 1. The Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth shall take the lead in initiating the collaborative process with entities identified in subsection A of this section for the design and implement action of the system required by the Coordination of Automated Information System for Children Act. The Commission shall be responsible for convening meetings and providing meeting space, administrative staff and other necessary support services. The Commission shall schedule meetings in conjunction with the Coordination of Services for Older Oklahomans Task Force.

2. The remaining agencies listed in subsection A of this section shall be responsible for providing information, staff and other assistance as necessary to design and implement the system

required by the Coordination of Automated Information System for Children Act.

C. On or before February 1, 1998, the agencies listed in subsection A of this section shall jointly submit a report to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the chairs of the appropriate legislative committees. The report shall include, but not be limited to:

1. A statement on the progress in the design and implementation of the system required by the Coordination of Automated Information System for Children Act; and

2. Identification of any statutory changes and funding necessary to implement the system.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 630.3 of Title 10, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The design of an automated coordinated system that provides data linkages for the sharing of case information and aggregate data analysis for planning, research, outcome evaluation and service coordination for children shall:

1. Be based upon efforts currently underway through the data matching project initiated by the Needs-met Services Committee;

2. Be consistent with the data-sharing design to be recommended and utilized by the Coordination of Services for Older Oklahomans Act task force; and

3. Include, but not be limited to:

a. the development of a database application that supports information sharing to reduce duplication of effort, improve service delivery and allow tracking of specified outcomes for children. Application development will include formation of a joint application design,

b. procedures for ensuring confidentiality of information in accordance with state and federal laws,

c. a funding and implementation plan, which may include phased-in implementation, and

d. procedures for coordinating, monitoring and improving data collection to support improved services to clients and analysis of policy options.

B. Preliminary recommendations for the database application and funding shall be completed on or before February 1, 1998.

SECTION 4. 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.

Passed the House of Representatives the 27th day of February, 1997.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1997.

President of the Senate