

ENGROSSED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 1723

By: Paulk of the House  
and  
Kerr of the Senate

An Act relating to crimes and punishments;  
prohibiting threatening to commit violence with  
certain intent; providing penalties; providing for  
codification; and providing an 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 1268 of Title 21, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. It shall be unlawful for a person to threaten to commit any  
offense involving violence to any person or property with the intent  
to:

1. Cause a reaction of any type to the threat by an official or  
volunteer agency organized to deal with emergencies;
2. Place any person in fear of imminent serious bodily injury;
3. Prevent or interrupt the occupation or use of a building,  
room, place of assembly, place to which the public has access, place  
of employment or occupation, aircraft, automobile, or other form of  
conveyance, or other public place; or

4. Cause impairment or interruption of public communications, public transportation, public water, gas, or power supply or other public service.

B. A violation of paragraph 1 or 2 of subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be punishable by a fine of up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), imprisonment in a county jail for up to six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment. A violation of paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be punishable by a fine of up to One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), imprisonment in a county jail for up to one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment. A violation of paragraph 4 of subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be a felony.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1997.

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