

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 453

By: Hendrick of the Senate

and

Vaughn and Boyd (Laura) of  
the House

An Act relating to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee for the Oklahoma Medicaid Healthcare Options System; amending Section 7, Chapter 336, O.S.L 1993 (56 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 1010.7), which relates to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee; modifying name; clarifying language related to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority; providing for certain yearly meeting; requiring certain report be filed annually; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 7, Chapter 336, O.S.L. 1993 (56 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 1010.7), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1010.7 A. There is hereby established to continue until September 30, 1999, the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee for the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.

B. The Committee shall be composed of three members of the Oklahoma State Senate, to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and three members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Members shall serve terms of two (2) years and shall be removable for cause by the appointing authority. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled by the appointing authority.

C. The Committee may use the expertise and services of the staffs of the Senate and the House of Representatives and may, as necessary, employ and contract for the advice and services of experts in the fields as well as other necessary professional and clerical staff.

D. The Committee shall be convened no less than four times a year and shall meet at least once each year with the members of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board.

E. The Committee, in conjunction with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, as specified in Section 1010.3 of this title shall review negotiations with the federal government relating to any and all

agreements between the federal government and the State of Oklahoma concerning Title XIX programs in this state, pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C., Section 1396 et seq.

F. The Committee shall review and make recommendations concerning all proposals for additions or modifications to populations covered or services provided by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, as specified in Section 1010.3 of this title. The Committee shall also monitor the implementation of these additions or modifications, including review of the preadmission screening instrument, the eligibility and enrollment system and the services delivery system.

G. The Committee, in conjunction with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, as specified in Section 1010.3 of this title, shall conduct a study of client advocacy and community outreach. The Committee shall submit a report to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than January 1 of each year, until 1999.

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