

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 46th Legislature (1997)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1225

By: Steidley

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;

requiring Department of Corrections to establish minimum staffing levels at correctional facilities; requiring additional compensation to employees performing service during certain period of time; prescribing computations for additional compensation; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an 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 528.4 of Title 57, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Department of Corrections shall establish minimum staffing levels at each of the correctional facilities under its control, supervision or jurisdiction.

B. Any employee of the Department of Corrections required to perform duties and responsibilities at any correctional facility during a period when the number of employees physically present at the facility is below the minimum staffing level established for the facility shall be entitled to receive compensation, in addition to

the regular compensation of the employee, equal to five percent (5%) of the regular compensation for the employee. For purposes of this section, regular compensation shall be the gross annual salary of the employee divided by twelve. The result of this computation shall be multiplied by five percent (5%) and the product shall be added to the gross monthly salary of the employee for the month during which the service described by this subsection was performed.

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

SECTION 3. 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.

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