

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1971

By: Bryant

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Sex Offenders Registration Act;  
amending 57 O.S. 1991, Section 584, as amended by  
Section 4, Chapter 142, O.S.L. 1995 (57 O.S. 1996,  
Section 584), which relates to information  
maintained regarding sex offenders; making sex  
offender registrations subject to public inspection  
under rules of the Department of Corrections; and  
providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 1991, Section 584, as  
amended by Section 4, Chapter 142, O.S.L. 1995 (57 O.S. Supp. 1996,  
Section 584), is amended to read as follows:

Section 584. A. The registration with the Department of  
Corrections required by the Sex Offenders Registration Act, Section  
581 et seq. of this title, shall be in a form approved by the  
Department of Corrections and shall include the following  
information about the person registering:

1. The person's name and all aliases used or under which the  
person has been known;

2. A complete description of the person, including a photograph and fingerprints, and when requested by the Department of Corrections, such registrant shall submit to a blood test for purposes of a deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) profile;

3. The offenses listed in Section 582 of this title of which the person has been convicted or for which the person received a suspended sentence, where the offense was committed, where the person was convicted or received the suspended sentence, and the name under which the person was convicted or received the suspended sentence;

4. The name and location of each hospital or penal institution to which the person was committed for each offense listed in Section 582 of this title; and

5. Where the person resides, how long the person has resided there, how long the person expects to reside there, and how long the person expects to remain in the county and in the State of Oklahoma.

B. The registration with the local law enforcement authority required by this act shall be in a form approved by the local law enforcement authority and shall include the following information about the person registering:

1. The person's full name, alias, date of birth, sex, race, height, weight, eye color, social security number, driver license number, and home address; and

2. A description of the offense for which the offender was convicted, the date of the conviction, and the sentence imposed, if applicable.

For purposes of this section, "local law enforcement authority" means the municipal police department, if the person resides or intends to reside or stay within the jurisdiction of any municipality of this state; or, the county sheriff, if the person resides or intends to reside or stay at any place outside the jurisdiction of any municipality within this state.

C. Any person subject to the provisions of the Sex Offenders Registration Act who changes an address shall give written notification of the new address to the Department of Corrections within ten (10) business days after the change of address and the local law enforcement authority within three (3) business days after the change of address.

D. The Department of Corrections shall maintain a file of all sex offender registrations. The registration shall be available to state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies. Said file shall ~~not~~ be made available for public inspection ~~and no person other than a law enforcement officer employed by a state, county or municipal law enforcement agency shall have access to said file~~ pursuant to rules promulgated by the Department of Corrections. The Department of Corrections shall provide all municipal police departments and all county sheriff departments a list of those sex offenders registered and living in their respective jurisdictions.

E. Each local law enforcement agency shall make its sex offender registry available as follows:

1. To all public and private elementary schools within the jurisdiction;
2. To all childcare facilities licensed by the state within the jurisdiction;
3. To any state agency that licenses individuals to work with children;
4. To the State Office of Personnel Management to screen persons who may work with children; and
5. To other entities that provide services to children and request the registry.

The sex offender registry available to entities in paragraphs 2 and 5 of this subsection shall not contain the home address of any offender whose name appears on the registry. When a law enforcement agency sends a copy of or otherwise makes the sex offender registry

available to any entity pursuant to this subsection, the agency shall provide a notice using the following or similar language: "A person whose name appears on this registry has been convicted of a sex offense against a child. Continuing to employ a person whose name appears on this registry may result in civil liability for the employer."

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

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