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By: Blackburn of the House

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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 3-113 of Title 43A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created until February 1, 2001, the Task Force on Behavioral Health.

B. The Task Force shall be composed of nineteen (19) members as follows:

1. The Director of the Department of Human Services, or a designee;

2. The Director of the Department of Corrections, or a designee;

3. The Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, or a designee;

4. The State Commissioner of Health, or a designee;

5. The Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs, or a designee;

6. The Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, or a designee;

7. A medical doctor certified as an addiction specialist, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

8. A licensed behavioral health provider, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

9. Five persons, appointed by the Governor, representing the following groups:

- a. certified behavioral health service providers,
- b. female consumers of behavioral health services who have children,
- c. family members of adolescent consumers of behavioral health services,
- d. adolescent consumers of behavioral health services, and
- e. family members of adult consumers of behavioral health services;

10. Three members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

11. Three members of the Oklahoma State Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

C. The Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall convene the first meeting of the Task Force on or before September 1, 1999. The Task Force shall elect from among its members a chair and any other officers during the first meeting and upon a vacancy in any office. The Task Force shall meet at least bi-monthly, and may meet more often as necessary. Task Force members employed by the state shall be reimbursed travel expenses related to their service on the Task Force by their respective agencies pursuant to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act. Remaining Task Force members shall be reimbursed travel expenses related to their service on the Task

Force by their appointing authorities pursuant to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

D. Administrative support for the Task Force, including, but not limited to, personnel necessary to ensure the proper performance of the duties and responsibilities of the Task Force, shall be provided by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. The Department may provide for such administrative support through interagency agreements with other state agencies represented on the Task Force, pursuant to the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act.

E. The Task Force shall:

1. Make recommendations regarding the cooperative and coordinated delivery of behavioral health services by state agencies responsible for providing such services. In making such recommendations, the Task Force shall conduct a review which includes, but is not limited to:

- a. the status of unserved and underserved persons,
- b. identification of barriers to services,
- c. an assessment of the quality of services offered,
- d. the extent of duplication of effort between state agencies,
- e. the adequacy of oversight of providers,
- f. an assessment of performance outcomes,
- g. an analysis of the distribution of funds,
- h. the nature and requirements of available grants and the ability of state agencies to comply with such provisions, and
- i. any other area related to delivery of behavioral health services; and

2. Submit any legislative proposals necessary to implement the findings of the Task Force on or before January 1 of each year.

F. The Task Force shall make regular, but not less than quarterly, reports to each agency affected by the report, the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the appropriate committees of the State Senate and the House of Representatives.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1999.

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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