

SECOND ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2037

By: Askins of the House

and

Coffee of the Senate

An Act relating to children; amending 21 O.S. 1991, Section 843, as renumbered by Section 20, Chapter 353, O.S.L. 1995, and as last amended by Section 57, Chapter 5, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (10 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 7115), which relates to abuse or neglect of children; specifying types of child abuse and neglect; defining terms; establishing penalties; amending Section 30, Chapter 4, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 13.1), which relates to service of minimum percentage of sentence; specifying crimes; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 1991, Section 843, as renumbered by Section 20, Chapter 353, O.S.L. 1995, and as last amended by Section 57, Chapter 5, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (10 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 7115), is amended to read as follows:

Section 7115. A. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in child abuse or neglect or who shall otherwise willfully or maliciously injure, torture, maim, use unreasonable force upon a child under the age of eighteen (18), or sexually abuse, sexually exploit or otherwise abuse or neglect such child, or who shall willfully or maliciously cause, procure or permit any of said acts to be done, shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony and punished punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this section subsection, "child abuse" means the willful or malicious abuse, as defined by paragraph 1 of subsection B of Section 7102 of this title, of a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another, or the act of willfully or maliciously injuring, torturing or maiming a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another.

B. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in enabling child abuse shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding

one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this subsection, "enabling child abuse" means the causing, procuring or permitting of a willful or malicious act of child abuse, as defined by paragraph 1 of subsection B of Section 7102 of this title, of a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another. As used in this subsection, "permit" means to authorize or allow for the care of a child by an individual when the person authorizing or allowing such care knows or reasonably should know that the child will be placed at risk of abuse as proscribed by this ~~section~~ subsection.

C. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in child neglect shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this subsection, "child neglect" means the willful or malicious neglect, as defined by paragraph 3 of subsection B of Section 7102 of this title, of a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another.

D. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in enabling child neglect shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this subsection, "enabling child neglect" means the causing, procuring or permitting of a willful or malicious act of child neglect, as defined by paragraph 3 of subsection B of Section 7102 of this title, of a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another. As used in this subsection, "permit" means to authorize or allow for the care of a child by an individual when the person authorizing or allowing such care knows or reasonably should know that the child will be placed at risk of neglect as proscribed by this subsection.

E. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in child sexual abuse shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this section, "child sexual abuse" means the willful or malicious sexual abuse, as defined by paragraph 6 of subsection B of Section 7102 of this title, of a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another.

F. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in enabling child sexual abuse shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this subsection, "enabling child sexual abuse" means the causing, procuring or permitting of a willful or malicious act of child sexual abuse, as defined by paragraph 6 of subsection B of Section

7102 of this title, of a child under the age of eighteen (18) by another. As used in this subsection, "permit" means to authorize or allow for the care of a child by an individual when the person authorizing or allowing such care knows or reasonably should know that the child will be placed at risk of sexual abuse as proscribed by this subsection.

G. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in child sexual exploitation shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this subsection, "child sexual exploitation" means the willful or malicious sexual exploitation, as defined by paragraph 7 of subsection B of Section 7102 of this title, of a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another.

H. Any parent or other person who shall willfully or maliciously engage in enabling child sexual exploitation shall, upon conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding life imprisonment, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such fine and imprisonment. As used in this subsection, "enabling child sexual exploitation" means the causing, procuring or permitting of a willful or malicious act of child sexual exploitation, as defined by paragraph 7 of subsection B of Section 7102 of this title, of a child under eighteen (18) years of age by another. As used in this subsection, "permit" means to authorize or allow for the care of a child by an individual when the person authorizing or allowing such care knows or reasonably should know that the child will be placed at risk of sexual exploitation as proscribed by this subsection.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 30, Chapter 4, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 13.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 13.1 Persons convicted of first degree murder as defined in Section 701.9 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, robbery with a dangerous weapon as defined in Section 801 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, first degree rape as defined in Section 1115 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, first degree arson as defined in Section 1401 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, first degree burglary as defined in Section 1436 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, bombing as defined in Section 1767.1 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, ~~child abuse as defined~~ any crime against a child provided for in Section 7115 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes, forcible sodomy as defined in Section 888 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, child pornography as defined in Section 1021.2 or 1021.3 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, child prostitution as defined in Section 1030 of ~~Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, lewd molestation of a child as defined in Section 1123 of ~~the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title shall be required to serve not less than eighty-five percent (85%) of any sentence of imprisonment imposed by the judicial system prior to becoming eligible for consideration for parole. Persons convicted

of these offenses shall not be eligible for earned credits or any other type of credits which have the effect of reducing the length of the sentence to less than eighty-five percent (85%) of the sentence imposed.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

Passed the House of Representatives the 23rd day of May, 2000.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 23rd day of May, 2000.

President of the Senate