

Thursday, February 10, 2000

An Act relating to Prisons Public Works Act; amending 57 O.S. 1991, Section 216, which relates to definitions; restricting eligibility of certain persons to participate in public works projects; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 1991, Section 216, is amended to read as follows:

Section 216. In this act, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Director" shall mean the Director of the State Department of Corrections.

2. "Public works project" means a project that has been determined by the Board of Corrections to be of necessity for the public well-being conducive to rehabilitation and the reduction of recidivism among participating inmates by the written request of a majority of the board of county commissioners, the governing body of any municipality or any agency of the State of Oklahoma or of the United States or any subdivision thereof.

3. "Prisoner" shall mean any person who is under the custody and control of the Department of Corrections. No prisoner shall be assigned to any public works project ~~who~~ if the inmate:

a. _____ is deemed by the Director to be a threat to public safety, ~~or who~~

b. _____ has escaped or attempted to escape from a correctional institution within the last ten (10) years, ~~or~~

c. _____ has been convicted, whether upon a verdict or plea of guilty or upon a plea of nolo contendere, or received a suspended sentence or any probationary term for a crime or an attempt to commit a crime provided for in Section 7115 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes if the offense involved sexual abuse or sexual exploitation as those terms are defined in Section 7102 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes or Section 741, 843.1, if the offense included sexual abuse or sexual exploitation, 865 through 869, 885, 886, 888, 891, 1021, 1021.2, 1021.3, 1040.13a, 1040.51, 1087, 1088, 1111.1, 1114 or 1123 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.