

COMMITTEE REPORT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

April 4, 2002

MR. SPEAKER: We, your Committee on Appropriations and Budget
to whom was referred Engrossed Senate Bill 1516
by: Wilkerson of the Senate and
Askins of the House

entitled

An Act relating to criminal procedure; amending 22 O.S. 2001, Section 471, which relates to the Oklahoma Drug Court Act; modifying references; amending 22 O.S. 2001, Section 471.1, which relates to authorization of drug court programs; prohibiting blind plea or split sentence in drug court; prohibiting misdemeanor offense in drug court; providing exception for domestic violence case in certain situation; requiring traditional prosecution when certain treatment is required; authorizing the court to request certain assistance; modifying language; requiring traditional prosecution for certain offenders; amending 22 O.S. 2001, Section 471.2, which relates to eligibility for drug court; clarifying language; prohibiting blind plea; prohibiting suspended and split sentences in plea agreement for drug court; prohibiting treatment in a correctional facility or jail as part of plea agreement for drug court; modifying reference; amending 22 O.S. 2001, Section 471.10, which relates to implementation of the Oklahoma Drug Court Act; authorizing the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to select existing assessment instrument for use by all courts; requiring the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in consultation with the Administrative Office of the Courts to promulgate rules, procedures and forms; directing the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to develop a training manual with certain assistance; requiring each district court to publish an operations manual; authorizing employment of personnel subject to funds available; amending 63 O.S. 2001, Section 2-503.2, which relates to mandatory assessment for certain violations; prohibiting waiver of certain assessment; providing for assessment in event court fails to set specific amount; making certain amount payable by monthly installments; prohibiting limitation of collection time period for admission to certain program; directing the Office of the State Auditor and Inspector to require a compliance audit annually of certain funds; requiring audit report be distributed to certain persons; changing name of certain fund; expanding use of certain funds; authorizing the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to set salaries and employ personnel for specialty courts; defining term; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

beg leave to report that we had the same under consideration and herewith return the Committee Substitute therefor with the recommendation that it

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Mike Mass, Chairman