

COMMITTEE REPORT  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

March 26, 2002

MR. SPEAKER: We, your Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

Judiciary

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\_\_\_\_\_ to whom was referred \_\_\_\_\_ Engrossed Senate Bill 1661

by: \_\_\_\_\_ Cain of the Senate and

\_\_\_\_\_ Blackburn of the House

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entitled

An Act relating to children; amending 10 O.S. 2001, Sections 7003-4.7, 7003-5.6, 7003-5.6d and 7209, which relate to the Oklahoma Children's Code; expanding circumstances and specifying time frames under which a district attorney is required to file a petition for termination of parental rights; modifying time frame for judicial review of case of child alleged or adjudicated to be deprived; clarifying time frames within which the court shall conduct a permanency hearing on behalf of a child; requiring written permanency decisions in accordance with the health, safety or welfare and long-term best interests of the child; requiring a determination of the most suitable permanency plans based on specified factors; requiring certain judicial determinations; requiring approval of a plan for guardianship or kinship guardianship; specifying contents of certain order; requiring court to enter certain order; specifying conditions and terms under which the Department of Human Services may place a child in an emergency situation; and providing an effective date.

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

Do Pass.

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Opio Toure, Chairman