

COMMITTEE REPORT  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

March 28, 2001

MR. SPEAKER: We, your Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE

to whom was referred Senate Bill 718

by: ASKINS of the House and WILKERSON of the Senate

entitled

An Act relating to criminal procedure; amending Section 1, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1997 (22 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 471), which relates to the Oklahoma Drug Court Act; modifying references; amending Section 2, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1997 (22 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 471.1), which relates to authorization of drug court programs; prohibiting blind plea or split sentence in drug court; prohibiting handling misdemeanor offense in drug court; providing exception for domestic violence case in certain situation; modifying language; requiring traditional prosecution for certain offenders; amending Section 3, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1997 (22 O.S. Supp. 2000, 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 Section 11, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1997 (22 O.S. Supp. 2000, 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 promulgation of rules, procedures and forms be completed within certain time; requiring rules to be filed within certain time with certain entities; amending 63 O.S. 1991, Section 2-503.2, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 53, O.S.L. 1998 (63 O.S. Supp. 2000, 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 certain schedule; prohibiting limitation of collection time period for admission to certain program; directing the Director of the Office of State Finance to require a compliance audit annually; requiring audit certain report be distributed; 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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