

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
SENATE BILL NO. 1632

By: Pruitt of the Senate

and

Winchester of the House

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An Act relating to poor persons; requiring the Department of Human Services to establish a service delivery system under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program; providing for redemption of vouchers for TANF services with specified providers; providing that vouchers be made payable for the provision of specified TANF services; requiring the Department to establish specified procedure for provision of services to TANF recipients; requiring promulgation of rules; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 230.77 of Title 56, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Department of Human Services shall establish a service delivery system under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program that provides for redemption of vouchers for TANF services at participating private faith-based providers and federally recognized Indian tribes if they are effective and competitively priced for the results achieved.

B. The vouchers shall be made payable, on behalf of the TANF recipient, for the provision of TANF services that include, but are not limited to, subsidized and unsubsidized hourly employment, work experience, on-the-job training, assisted job search, job readiness

assistance, job skills training, community service, substance abuse treatment, literacy and adult basic education, vocational-educational programs and child care.

C. The Department shall establish a procedure whereby a qualified private faith-based provider that wishes to provide services to TANF recipients may register with the Department.

D. The Commission for Human Services shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2002.

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