

An Act relating to vulnerable adults; amending 43A O.S. 1991, Section 10-108, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 78, O.S.L. 1999 (43A O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 10-108), which relates to the Protective Services for Vulnerable Adults Act; modifying venue for certain petitions; specifying certain prohibitions; requiring certain contents in certain petitions; clarifying and adding to authority of the court; prohibiting the sale of real property by certain courts; providing exceptions; authorizing process for selling property; authorizing additional reasons for waivers of notice; modifying certain dates and time limitations; setting certain time limitations; providing for appointment of temporary guardians; providing for additional authority; modifying pick-up procedures; clarifying and updating language; modifying procedures for forcible entry; providing for certain petitions; authorizing continuation of temporary guardianship; adding to list of persons who may decide placement options; requiring court considerations; providing for liability; requiring establishment of certain employee policies related to providing or arranging of services for vulnerable adults; providing for contents; creating the Oklahoma Public Guardianship Act and the Office of Public Guardian within the Department of Human Services; providing for interim duties upon availability of funds; providing for effective date of program; providing purpose; providing for appointment; providing powers and duties of a public guardian; providing for duties of the Office of Public Guardian; providing for pilot program upon availability of funding; providing for contents; creating an evaluating board; providing for membership and duties; requiring report; providing for statewide expansion; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.