

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 48th Legislature (2002)

SENATE BILL 1554

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An Act relating to civil procedure; amending 12 O.S. 2001, Section 81, which relates to payments for infant or incompetent persons; increasing certain amounts to be deposited; making language gender neutral; updating language; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 12 O.S. 2001, Section 81, is amended to read as follows:

Section 81. Where any amount of money not exceeding ~~Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)~~ One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) shall be deposited and paid into any court of record of this state by virtue of any judgment, order, settlement, distribution or decree for the use and benefit of, and to the credit of, any minor or incompetent person having no legal guardian of his or her estate within this state, and no person shall within ninety (90) days thereafter become the legal and qualified guardian of the estate of ~~such~~ the minor or incompetent person, if it appears to the court that ~~such~~ the money is needed for the support of ~~such~~ the minor or incompetent person or that it is otherwise for the best interest of ~~such~~ the minor or incompetent person, the court may, in its discretion, order payment of ~~such~~ the funds to be made to any proper and suitable person as trustee for ~~such~~ the minor or incompetent person, with bond, as the court may direct, to be expended for the support, use, and benefit of ~~such~~ the minor or incompetent person. Such order may be made by the court in the original cause in which the funds are credited upon the application of any interested person; and the court may direct

the clerk of the court to make payment of the same to be made in installments or in one lump sum as may seem for the best interests of ~~such~~ the minor or incompetent person.

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

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