

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 996

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; defining terms; criminalizing acts of terrorism; stating punishments; expressing certain intent; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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 1268.1 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

As used in this act:

1. "Terrorism" means any conduct or act of violence calculated to damage or destroy property; contaminate food, water, medicine, products or animals; cause death, disease, injury or illness to any human; or produce a state of adversity, anxiety or fear when such conduct is systematically and covertly employed or used for the purpose of intimidation, fear or anxiety or to coerce a population or government into granting demands, altering rights, privileges or processes, or effecting any industrial, political or economic ends; and

2. "Terrorist activity" means to plan, aid or abet an act of terrorism or aid or abet any person who plans or commits an act of terrorism.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1268.2 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Every act of terrorism is a felony.

B. A person convicted of terrorism shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term of life without parole.

C. A person who kills another person or who causes the death of another person in the commission of an act of terrorism shall be guilty of murder in the first degree. It is the intent of the Legislature that the death penalty be sought for all crimes perpetrated in violation of this subsection.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1268.3 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Terrorist activity is a felony.

B. A person convicted of terrorist activity shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term of life without parole.

SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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