

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 2445

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An Act relating to criminal procedure; amending 12 O.S. 2001, Section 2609, as amended by Section 48, Chapter 468, O.S.L. 2002 (12 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 2609), which relates to credibility of a witness; providing an exception to certain evidence of conviction; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Section 175, which relates to accessory to a felony; adding punishment for accessory to murder in the second degree; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Section 741, which relates to kidnapping; making gender neutral; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1051, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 202, O.S.L. 2003 (21 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 1051), which relates to lotteries; including certain tax exempt organizations; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1172, which relates to illegal use of telephone; expanding provision to other electronic communication; prohibiting hindering emergency calls; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1451, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 460, O.S.L. 2002 (21 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 1451), which relates to embezzlement; setting certain penalty; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1767.1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 168, O.S.L. 2003 (21 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 1767.1), which relates to bombing; modifying element of crime; amending 22 O.S. 303, which relates to verification of information; removing requirement for verification on information; providing procedures and restrictions for detaining material witness without warrant; amending 22 O.S. 2001, Section 979a, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2003 (22 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 979a), which relates to jail costs; changing percentage paid to municipal and district attorney offices; amending 22 O.S. 2001, Section 991c, as amended by Section 20, Chapter 460, O.S.L. 2002 (22 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 991c), which relates to deferred judgment; limiting deferred judgments; amending 47 O.S. 2001, Section 11-904, which relates to personal injury accident; including certain offenses to certain enhancement of penalty; amending 63 O.S. 2001, Section 2-401, as last amended by Section 5 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2176 of the 2nd Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature, which relates to controlled dangerous substances; removing certain exception to certain assessment; amending 74 O.S. 2001, Section 150.23, which relates to custody and possession of firearm upon death or

retirement of certain officers; adding district attorney investigator; amending 74 O.S. 2001, Section 913, as last amended by Section 101 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2725 of the 2nd Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature, which relates to public employees; construing furloughs of employees of certain agency; providing for codification; providing effective dates; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 12 O.S. 2001, Section 2609, as amended by Section 48, Chapter 468, O.S.L. 2002 (12 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 2609), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2609. A. For the purpose of attacking the credibility of a witness:

1. Evidence that a witness other than an accused has been convicted of a crime shall be admitted, subject to Section 2403 of this title, if the crime was punishable by death or imprisonment in excess of one (1) year pursuant to the law under which the witness was convicted, and evidence that an accused has been convicted of such a crime shall be admitted if the court determines that the probative value of admitting this evidence outweighs its prejudicial effect to the accused; and

2. Evidence that any witness has been convicted of a crime shall be admitted if it involved dishonesty or false statement, regardless of the punishment.

B. Evidence of a conviction under this section is not admissible if a period of more than ten (10) years has elapsed since the date of the conviction or of the release of the witness from the confinement imposed for that conviction, whichever is later, to the date of the witness's testimony, unless the court determines, in the interests of justice, that the probative value of the conviction supported by specific facts and circumstances substantially outweighs its prejudicial effect. However, if the witness is a defendant currently charged with a sexual offense involving a child, testifying at a criminal proceeding regarding the current charge of the defendant and has a prior conviction for a sexual offense involving a child, the conviction of the prior sexual offense involving a child is admissible for the purpose of impeachment of the defendant regardless of the age of the prior conviction. Evidence of a conviction more than ten (10) years old, as calculated herein, is not admissible unless the proponent gives to the adverse party sufficient advance written notice of intent to use such evidence to provide the adverse party with a fair opportunity to contest the use of such evidence or unless, during the ten-year period, the witness has been convicted of a subsequent crime which is a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or a felony.

C. Evidence of a conviction is not admissible under this Code if:

1. The conviction has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, certificate of rehabilitation or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of the rehabilitation of the person convicted, and that person has not been convicted of a subsequent crime which was punishable by death or imprisonment in excess of one (1) year; or

2. The conviction has been the subject of a pardon, annulment or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of innocence.

D. Evidence of juvenile adjudications is not admissible under this Code. The court in a criminal case may, however, allow evidence of a juvenile adjudication of a witness other than the accused if conviction of the offense would be admissible to attack the credibility of an adult and the court is satisfied that admission in evidence is necessary for a fair determination of the issue of guilt or innocence.

E. The pendency of an appeal from the conviction does not render evidence of that conviction inadmissible. Evidence of the pendency of an appeal is admissible.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 175, is amended to read as follows:

Section 175. Except in cases where a different punishment is prescribed by law, an accessory to a felony is punishable as follows:

1. If the underlying offense is a felony punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary for four (4) years or more, the person guilty of being an accessory shall be subject to imprisonment in the penitentiary for a term not exceeding one-half (1/2) of the longest term prescribed upon a conviction for the underlying offense;

2. If the underlying offense is a felony punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary for any time less than four (4) years, the person guilty of being an accessory shall be subject to imprisonment in a county jail for not more than one (1) year;

3. If the underlying offense be punishable by a fine only, the person guilty of being an accessory shall be subject to a fine not exceeding one-half (1/2) of the largest amount of money which may be imposed as a fine upon a conviction of the underlying offense;

4. If the underlying offense be punishable by both imprisonment and a fine, the offender convicted of being an accessory shall be subject to both imprisonment and fine, not exceeding one-half (1/2) of the longest term of imprisonment and one-half (1/2) of the largest fine which may be imposed upon a conviction of the underlying offense; and

5. If the underlying offense be murder in the first degree, the accessory thereto shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than five (5) years nor more than forty-five (45) years. If the underlying offense be murder in the second degree, the accessory thereto shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than five (5) years nor more than twenty-five (25) years.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 741, is amended to read as follows:

Section 741. Any person who, without lawful authority, forcibly seizes and confines another, or inveigles or kidnaps another, with intent, either:

First. To cause such other person to be ~~secretly~~ confined or imprisoned in this state against ~~his~~ the will of the other person; or

Second. To cause such other person to be sent out of this state against ~~his~~ the will of the other person; or

Third. To cause such person to be sold as a slave, or in any way held to service against ~~his~~ the will of such person, shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding ten (10) years. Upon any trial for a violation of this section, the consent thereto of the person kidnapped or confined, shall not be a defense, unless it appears satisfactorily to the jury, that such person was above the age of twelve (12) years, and that such consent was not extorted by threat, or by duress.

SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1051, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 202, O.S.L. 2003 (21 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 1051), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1051. A. A lottery is any scheme for the disposal or distribution of property by chance among persons who have paid, or promised, or agreed to pay any valuable consideration for the chance of obtaining such property, or a portion of it, or for any share of or interest in such property, upon any agreement, understanding or expectation that it is to be distributed or disposed of by a lot or chance, whether called a lottery, a raffle, or a gift enterprise, or by whatever name the same may be known. "Valuable consideration" shall be construed to mean money or goods of actual pecuniary value. Provided, it shall not be a violation of the lottery or gambling laws of this state for:

1. A bona fide resident merchant or merchants of a city or town, acting in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce or Commercial Club of this state thereof, to issue free of charge numbered tickets on sales of merchandise, the corresponding stub of one or more of which tickets to be drawn or chosen by lot by a representative or representatives of said Chamber of Commerce or of said Commercial Club in the manner set forth on said tickets, the numbered stub or stubs so drawn to entitle the holder of the corresponding numbered issued ticket to a valuable prize donated by said merchant;

2. A bona fide community chest welfare fund on a military post or reservation to issue numbered tickets in conjunction with voluntary contributions to said fund, the corresponding stub or stubs of one or more of said tickets to be drawn by lot under the supervision of a military commander, the stub or stubs so drawn entitling the ticket holder to a prize of some value. Provided however, that no person shall sell tickets or receive contributions to said fund off the military reservation; or

3. a. A qualified organization to raise funds by issuing numbered tickets in conjunction with voluntary contributions to the qualified organization, the corresponding stub or stubs of one or more of the tickets to be drawn by lot under the supervision of an official of the qualified organization, the stub or stubs so drawn entitling the ticket holder to a prize. As used in this paragraph, "qualified organization" means:
- (1) a church,
  - (2) a public or private school accredited by the State Department of Education or registered by the State Board of Education for purposes of participating in federal programs,
  - (3) a student group or organization affiliated with a public or private school qualified pursuant to division (2) of this subparagraph,
  - (4) a parent-teacher association or organization affiliated with a public or private school qualified pursuant to division (2) of this subparagraph,
  - (5) fire departments,
  - (6) police departments, ~~livestock~~
  - (7) organizations and wildlife organizations that are exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of subsection (c) of Section 501 of the United States Internal Revenue Code, as amended, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c) et seq., or
  - ~~(6)~~ (8) an "organization" as such term is defined in paragraph 20 of Section 402 of Title 3A of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- b. Any raffle conducted by a qualified organization shall be conducted by members of the qualified organization without compensation to any member. The organization shall not hire or contract with any person or business association, corporation, partnership, limited partnership or limited liability company to conduct a raffle, to sell raffle tickets or to solicit contributions in connection with a raffle on behalf of the organization.

B. If the Oklahoma Education Lottery Act ceases to have the force and effect of law pursuant to Section 36 of the Oklahoma Education Lottery Act, the provisions of paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section shall cease to have the force and effect of law.

SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1172, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1172. A. It shall be unlawful for a person who, by means of a telephone or other electronic communication device, willfully either:

1. Makes any comment, request, suggestion, or proposal which is obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy, or indecent;

2. Makes a telephone call or other electronic communication, whether or not conversation ensues, with intent to put the party called in fear of physical harm or death;

3. Makes a telephone call or other electronic communication, whether or not conversation ensues, without disclosing ~~his~~ the identity of the person making the call or communication and with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten, or harass any person at the called number;

4. Knowingly permits any telephone or other electronic communication under ~~his~~ the control of the person to be used for any purpose prohibited by this section; and

5. In conspiracy or concerted action with other persons, makes repeated calls or electronic communications or simultaneous calls or electronic communications solely to harass any person at the called number(s).

B. Use of a telephone or other electronic communications facility under this section shall include all use made of such a facility between the points of origin and reception. Any offense under this ~~act~~ section is a continuing offense and shall be deemed to have been committed at either the place of origin or the place of reception.

C. Except as provided in subsection D of this section, any person who is convicted of the provisions of subsection A of this section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

D. Any person who is convicted of a second offense under this section shall be guilty of a felony.

SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1211.1 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Any person who intentionally interrupts, disrupts, impedes or interferes with an emergency telephone call or intentionally prevents or hinders another person from placing an emergency telephone call shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon conviction, the person shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one (1) year, or by a fine of not more than Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1451, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 460, O.S.L. 2002 (21 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 1451), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1451. A. Embezzlement is the fraudulent appropriation of property of any person or legal entity, legally obtained, to any use or purpose not intended or authorized by its owner, or the

secretion of the property with the fraudulent intent to appropriate it to such use or purpose, under any of the following circumstances:

1. Where the property was obtained by being entrusted to that person for a specific purpose, use, or disposition and shall include, but not be limited to, any funds "held in trust" for any purpose;
2. Where the property was obtained by virtue of a power of attorney being granted for the sale or transfer of the property;
3. Where the property is possessed or controlled for the use of another person;
4. Where the property is to be used for a public or benevolent purpose;
5. Where any person diverts any money appropriated by law from the purpose and object of the appropriation;
6. Where any person fails or refuses to pay over to the state, or appropriate authority, any tax or other monies collected in accordance with state law, and who appropriates the tax or monies to the use of that person, or to the use of any other person not entitled to the tax or monies;
7. Where the property is possessed for the purpose of transportation, without regard to whether packages containing the property have been broken;
8. Where any person removes crops from any leased or rented premises with the intent to deprive the owner or landlord interested in the land of any of the rent due from that land, or who fraudulently appropriates the rent to that person or any other person; or
9. Where the property is possessed or controlled by virtue of a lease or rental agreement, and the property is willfully or intentionally not returned within ten (10) days after the expiration of the agreement.

Embezzlement does not require a distinct act of taking, but only a fraudulent appropriation, conversion or use of property.

B. Except as provided in subsection C of this section, embezzlement shall be punished as follows:

1. If the value of the property embezzled is less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), any person convicted shall be punished by a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not more than one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment;
2. If the value of the property embezzled is Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or more but less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), any person convicted shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one (1) year or by imprisonment in the county jail for one or more nights or weekends pursuant to Section 991a-2 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, at the discretion of the court, and shall be

subject to a fine not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), and ordered to pay restitution to the victim as provided in Section 991f of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

3. If the value of the property embezzled is One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or more but less than Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), any person convicted shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term of not more than five (5) years, and a fine of not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), and ordered to pay restitution to the victim as provided in Section 991f of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

4. If the value of the property embezzled is Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more, any person convicted shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term of not more than ten (10) years, and a fine not exceeding Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), and ordered to pay restitution to the victim as provided in Section 991f of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. Any county or state officer, deputy or employee of such officer, who shall divert any money appropriated by law from the purpose and object of the appropriation, shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term not less than one (1) year nor more than ten (10) years, and a fine equal to triple the amount of money so embezzled and ordered to pay restitution to the victim as provided in Section 991f of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The fine shall operate as a judgment lien at law on all estate of the party so convicted and sentenced, and shall be enforced by execution or other process for the use of the person whose money or other funds or property were embezzled. In all cases the fine, so operating as a judgment lien, shall be released or entered as satisfied only by the person in interest.

SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 1767.1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 168, O.S.L. 2003 (21 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 1767.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1767.1 A. Any person who shall willfully or maliciously commit any of the following acts shall be deemed guilty of a felony:

1. Place in, upon, under, against or near to any building, car, truck, aircraft, motor or other vehicle, vessel, railroad, railway car, or locomotive or structure, any explosive with unlawful intent to destroy, throw down, or injure, in whole or in part, such property, or conspire, aid, counsel or procure the destruction of any building, public or private, or any car, truck, aircraft, motor or other vehicle, vessel, railroad, railway car, or locomotive or structure; or

2. Place in, upon, under, against or near to any building, car, truck, aircraft, motor or other vehicle, vessel, railroad, railway car, or locomotive or structure, any explosive with intent to destroy, throw down, or injure in whole or in part, under circumstances that, if such intent were accomplished, human life or safety would be endangered thereby; or

3. By the explosion of any explosive destroy, throw down, or injure any property of another person, or cause injury to another person; or

4. Manufacture, sell, transport, or possess any explosive or the component parts of an explosive with knowledge or intent that it or they will be used to unlawfully kill, injure or intimidate any person, or unlawfully damage any real or personal property; or

5. Place in, upon, under, against or near to any building, car, truck, aircraft, motor or other vehicle, vessel, railroad, railway car, or locomotive or structure, any foul, poisonous, offensive or injurious substance or compound or explosive, with intent to wrongfully injure, molest or coerce another person or to injure or damage the property of another person; or

6. Injure, damage or attempt to damage by an explosive any person, persons, or property, whether real or personal; or

7. ~~Use the telephone or other communication device to make~~ Make any threat or convey information known to be false, concerning an attempt or alleged attempt to kill, injure or intimidate any person or unlawfully damage any real or personal property by means of an explosive; or

8. Manufacture, sell, deliver, mail or send an explosive to another person; or

9. While committing or attempting to commit any felony, possess, display, or threaten to use any explosive.

B. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to apply to, or repeal any laws pertaining to, the acts of mischief of juveniles involving no injurious firecrackers or devices commonly called "stink bombs".

SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2001, Section 303, is amended to read as follows:

Section 303. A. The district attorney shall subscribe ~~his~~ the district attorney's name to informations filed in the district court and endorse thereon the names and last-known addresses of all the witnesses known to ~~him~~ the district attorney at the time of filing the same, if intended to be called by ~~him~~ the district attorney at a preliminary examination or at trial. Thereafter, ~~he~~ the district attorney shall also endorse thereon the names and last-known addresses of such other witnesses as may afterwards become known to ~~him~~ the district attorney, if they are intended to be called as witnesses at a preliminary examination or at trial, at such time as the court may by rule prescribe. ~~All informations shall be verified by the oath of the prosecuting attorney, complainant or some other person.~~

Upon filing of a ~~verified~~ an application by the district attorney, notice to defense counsel, and hearing establishing need for witness protection or preservation of the integrity of evidence, the district court may excuse witness endorsement, or some part thereof. Such proceedings shall be conducted in camera, and the record shall be sealed and filed in the office of the district court

clerk, and shall not be opened except by order of the district court.

B. Notwithstanding other provisions of law, when a law enforcement officer issues a citation or ticket as the basis for a complaint or information, for a violation of law declared to be a misdemeanor, the citation or ticket shall be properly verified if:

1. The issuing officer subscribes the officer's signature on the citation, ticket or complaint to the following statement:

"I, the undersigned issuing officer, hereby certify and swear that I have read the foregoing information and know the facts and contents thereof and that the facts supporting the criminal charge stated therein are true."

Such a subscription by an issuing officer, in all respects, shall constitute a sworn statement, as if sworn to upon an oath administered by an official authorized by law to administer oaths; and

2. The citation or ticket states the specific facts supporting the criminal charge and the ordinance or statute alleged to be violated; or

3. A complainant verifies by oath, subscribed on the citation, ticket or complaint, that ~~he~~ the complainant has read the information, knows the facts and contents thereof and that the facts supporting the criminal charge stated therein are true. For purpose of such an oath and subscription, any law enforcement officer of the state or of a county or municipality of the state issuing the citation, ticket or complaint shall be authorized to administer the oath to the complainant.

SECTION 10. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 720 of Title 22, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. If a law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that a person is a necessary and material witness to a felony and that there is probable cause to believe that the person would be unwilling to accept service of a subpoena or may otherwise refuse to appear in any criminal proceeding, the officer may detain the person as a material witness with or without an arrest warrant; provided, no person may be detained as a material witness to a crime for more than forty-eight (48) hours without being taken before a judge as required by Section 719 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and provided further, no person may be detained as a material witness to a crime who is a victim of such crime.

B. At the time of the detainment, the law enforcement officer shall inform the person:

1. Of the identity of the officer as a law enforcement officer; and

2. That the person is being detained because the officer has probable cause to believe the person:

- a. is a material witness to an identified felony, and
- b. would be unwilling to accept service of a subpoena or may otherwise refuse to appear in any criminal proceeding.

C. If a material witness is taken into custody pursuant to this section, the provisions of Section 719 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall apply.

SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2001, Section 979a, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2003 (22 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 979a), is amended to read as follows:

Section 979a. A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the municipal attorney or district attorney shall ask the court to require a person confined in a city or county jail, for any offense, to pay the jail facility the costs of incarceration, both before and after conviction, upon conviction or receiving a deferred sentence. The costs of incarceration shall be collected by the clerk of the court. Costs of incarceration shall include booking, receiving and processing out, housing, food, clothing, medical care, dental care, and psychiatric services. The costs for incarceration shall be an amount equal to the actual cost of the services and shall be determined by the chief of police for city jails, by the county sheriff for county jails or by contract amount, if applicable. The cost of incarceration shall be paid to the municipality, county or other public entity responsible for the operation of all jail facilities where the person is held before and after conviction. Except for medical costs, incarceration costs shall not be assessed if, in the judgment of the court, such costs would impose a manifest hardship on the person, or if in the opinion of the court the property of the person is needed for the maintenance and support of immediate family. ~~Five percent (5%)~~ Ten percent (10%) of any amount collected shall be paid to the municipal attorney's or district attorney's office, ~~five percent (5%) shall be transmitted by the court clerk to the District Attorneys Council Revolving Fund, established by Section 215.28 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to be used to fund personnel to process victim compensation claims in district offices designated by the Crime Victims Compensation Board~~ and the remaining amount shall be paid to the municipality, the sheriff's service fee account or, if the sheriff does not operate the jail facility, the remaining amount shall be deposited with the public entity responsible for the operation of the jail facility where the person is held.

B. Any offender receiving routine or emergency medical services or medications or injured during the commission of a felony or misdemeanor offense and administered any medical care shall be required to reimburse the sheriff, municipality or other public entity responsible for the operation of the jail, the full amount paid by the sheriff, municipality or other public entity responsible for the operation of the jail for any medical care or treatment administered to such offender during any period of incarceration or preceding incarceration in that jail facility. The sheriff, municipality or other public entity responsible for the operation of the jail may deduct the costs of medical care and treatment as

authorized by Section 531 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes. If the funds collected from the inmate's jail account are insufficient to satisfy the actual medical costs paid, the sheriff, municipality or other public entity responsible for the operation of the jail shall be authorized to collect the remaining balance of the medical care and treatment by civil actions.

SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2001, Section 991c, as amended by Section 20, Chapter 460, O.S.L. 2002 (22 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 991c), is amended to read as follows:

Section 991c. A. Upon a verdict or plea of guilty or upon a plea of nolo contendere, but before a judgment of guilt, the court may, without entering a judgment of guilt and with the consent of the defendant, defer further proceedings upon the specific conditions prescribed by the court not to exceed a five-year period. The court shall first consider restitution among the various conditions it may prescribe. The court may also consider ordering the defendant to:

1. Pay court costs;
2. Pay an assessment in lieu of any fine authorized by law for the offense;
3. Pay any other assessment or cost authorized by law;
4. Engage in a term of community service without compensation, according to a schedule consistent with the employment and family responsibilities of the defendant;
5. County jail confinement for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days or the maximum amount of jail time provided for the offense, if it is less than ninety (90) days;
6. Pay an amount as reimbursement for reasonable attorney ~~fee~~ fees, to be paid into the court fund, if a court-appointed attorney has been provided to defendant;
7. Be supervised in the community for a period not to exceed two (2) years. As a condition of any supervision, the defendant shall be required to pay a supervision fee of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per month. The supervision fee shall be waived in whole or part by the supervisory agency when the accused is indigent. No person shall be denied supervision based solely on the person's inability to pay a fee;
8. Pay into the court fund a monthly amount not exceeding Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per month during any period during which the proceedings are deferred when the defendant is not to be supervised in the community. The total amount to be paid into the court fund shall be established by the court and shall not exceed the amount of the maximum fine authorized by law for the offense;
9. Make other reparations to the community or victim as required and deemed appropriate by the court;
10. Order any conditions which can be imposed for a suspended sentence pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 991a of this title; or

11. Any combination of the above provisions.

B. In addition to any conditions of supervision provided for in subsection A of this section, the court shall, in the case of a person before the court for the offense of operating or being in control of a motor vehicle while the person was under the influence of alcohol, other intoxicating substance, or a combination of alcohol and another intoxicating substance, or who is before the court for the offense of operating a motor vehicle while the ability of the person to operate such vehicle was impaired due to the consumption of alcohol, require the person to participate in an alcohol and drug substance abuse evaluation program offered by a facility or qualified practitioner certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for the purpose of evaluating the receptivity to treatment and prognosis of the person. The court shall order the person to reimburse the facility or qualified practitioner for the evaluation. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall establish a fee schedule, based upon a person's ability to pay, provided the fee for an evaluation shall not exceed Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00). The evaluation shall be conducted at a certified facility, the office of a qualified practitioner or at another location as ordered by the court. The facility or qualified practitioner shall, within seventy-two (72) hours from the time the person is assessed, submit a written report to the court for the purpose of assisting the court in its determination of conditions for deferred sentence. No person, agency or facility operating an alcohol and drug substance abuse evaluation program certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall solicit or refer any person evaluated pursuant to this subsection for any treatment program or alcohol and drug substance abuse service in which the person, agency or facility has a vested interest; however, this provision shall not be construed to prohibit the court from ordering participation in or any person from voluntarily utilizing a treatment program or alcohol and drug substance abuse service offered by such person, agency or facility. Any evaluation report submitted to the court pursuant to this subsection shall be handled in a manner which will keep the report confidential from the general public's review. Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the court from ordering judgment and sentence in the event the defendant fails or refuses to comply with an order of the court to obtain the evaluation required by this subsection. As used in this subsection, "qualified practitioner" means a person with at least a bachelor's degree in substance abuse treatment, mental health or a related health care field and at least two (2) years' experience in providing alcohol abuse treatment, other drug abuse treatment, or both alcohol and other drug abuse treatment who is certified each year by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to provide these assessments. However, any person who does not meet the requirements for a qualified practitioner as defined herein, but who has been previously certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to provide alcohol or drug treatment or assessments, shall be considered a qualified practitioner provided all education, experience and certification requirements stated herein are met by September 1, 1995. The court may also require the person to participate in one or both of the following:

1. An alcohol and drug substance abuse course, pursuant to Sections 3-452 and 3-453 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

2. A victims impact panel program, if such a program is offered in the county where the judgment is rendered. The defendant shall be required to pay a fee, not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) as set by the governing authority of the program and approved by the court, to the victims impact panel program to offset the cost of participation by the defendant, if in the opinion of the court the defendant has the ability to pay such fee.

C. Upon completion of the conditions of the deferred judgment, and upon a finding by the court that the conditions have been met and all fines, fees, and monetary assessments have been paid as ordered, the defendant shall be discharged without a court judgment of guilt, and the court shall order the verdict or plea of guilty or plea of nolo contendere to be expunged from the record and the charge shall be dismissed with prejudice to any further action. The procedure to expunge the defendant's record shall be as follows:

1. All references to the defendant's name shall be deleted from the docket sheet;

2. The public index of the filing of the charge shall be expunged by deletion, mark-out or obliteration;

3. Upon expungement, the court clerk shall keep a separate confidential index of case numbers and names of defendants which have been obliterated pursuant to the provisions of this section;

4. No information concerning the confidential file shall be revealed or released, except upon written order of a judge of the district court; and

5. Defendants qualifying under Section 18 of this title may petition the court to have the filing of the indictment and the dismissal expunged from the public index and docket sheet. This section shall not be mutually exclusive of Section 18 of this title.

D. Upon order of the court, the provisions of subsection C of this section shall be retroactive.

E. Upon violation of any condition of the deferred judgment, the court may enter a judgment of guilt and proceed as provided in Section 991a of this title or may modify any condition imposed. Provided, however, if the deferred judgment is for a felony offense, and the defendant commits another felony offense, the defendant shall not be allowed bail pending appeal.

F. The deferred judgment procedure described in this section shall ~~not~~ apply only to defendants who have not been previously convicted of a felony offense and have not received a deferred judgment for a felony offense within the ten (10) years previous to the commission of the pending offense.

Provided, the court may waive this prohibition upon written application of the district attorney. Both the application and the waiver shall be made a part of the record of the case.

G. The deferred judgment procedure described in this section shall not apply to defendants found guilty or who plead guilty or nolo contendere to a sex offense required by law to register pursuant to the Sex Offenders Registration Act.

SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2001, Section 11-904, is amended to read as follows:

Section 11-904. A. Any person who is involved in a personal injury accident while driving or operating a motor vehicle within this state and who is in violation of the provisions of subsection A of Section 11-902 of this title may be charged with a violation of the provisions of this subsection as follows:

1. Any person who is convicted of a violation of the provisions of this subsection shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor for the first offense and shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than ninety (90) days nor more than one (1) year, and a fine of not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00); and

2. Any person who is convicted of a ~~second or subsequent~~ violation of the provisions of this subsection after having been previously convicted of a violation of this subsection or of Section 11-902 of this title shall be deemed guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in a state correctional institution for not less than one (1) year and not more than five (5) years, and a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

B. 1. Any person who causes an accident resulting in great bodily injury to any person other than himself while driving or operating a motor vehicle within this state and who is in violation of the provisions of subsection A of Section 11-902 of this title may be charged with a violation of the provisions of this subsection. Any person who is convicted of a violation of the provisions of this subsection shall be deemed guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in a state correctional institution for not less than one (1) year and not more than five (5) years, and a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

2. As used in this subsection, "great bodily injury" means bodily injury which creates a substantial risk of death or which causes serious, permanent disfigurement or protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily member or organ.

SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2001, Section 2-401, as last amended by Section 5 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2176 of the 2nd Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-401. A. Except as authorized by the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act it shall be unlawful for any person:

1. To distribute, dispense, transport with intent to distribute or dispense, possess with intent to manufacture, distribute, or dispense, a controlled dangerous substance or to solicit the use of or use the services of a person less than eighteen (18) years of age to cultivate, distribute or dispense a controlled dangerous substance;

2. To create, distribute, transport with intent to distribute or dispense, or possess with intent to distribute, a counterfeit controlled dangerous substance; or

3. To distribute any imitation controlled substance as defined by Section 2-101 of this title, except when authorized by the Food and Drug Administration of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

B. Any person who violates the provisions of this section with respect to:

1. A substance classified in Schedule I or II which is a narcotic drug or lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD), upon conviction, shall be guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment for not less than five (5) years nor more than life and a fine of not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment. Any sentence to the custody of the Department of Corrections shall not be subject to statutory provisions for suspended sentences, deferred sentences, or probation except when the conviction is for a first offense;

2. Any other controlled dangerous substance classified in Schedule I, II, III, or IV, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment for not less than two (2) years nor more than life and a fine of not more than Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment. Any sentence to the custody of the Department of Corrections shall not be subject to statutory provisions for suspended sentences, deferred sentences, or probation except when the conviction is for a first offense;

3. A substance classified in Schedule V, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment for not more than five (5) years and a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment; or

4. An imitation controlled substance as defined by Section 2-101 of this title, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment in the county jail for a period of not more than one (1) year and a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). A person convicted of a second violation of the provisions of this paragraph shall be guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment for not more than five (5) years and a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment.

C. 1. Except when authorized by the Food and Drug Administration of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, distribute, or possess with intent to distribute a synthetic controlled substance.

2. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this paragraph is guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term not to exceed life and a fine of not more than Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment.

3. A second or subsequent conviction for the violation of the provisions of this paragraph is a felony punishable as a habitual offender pursuant to Section 51.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

4. In addition the violator shall be fined an amount not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment.

D. 1. Any person convicted of a second or subsequent felony violation of the provisions of this section, except for paragraph 4 of subsection B of this section, shall be punished as a habitual offender pursuant to Section 51.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

2. In addition the violator shall be fined twice the fine otherwise authorized, which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment.

3. Convictions for second or subsequent violations of the provisions of this section shall not be subject to statutory provisions for suspended sentences, deferred sentences, or probation.

E. Any person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and who violates the provisions of this section by using or soliciting the use of services of a person less than eighteen (18) years of age to distribute, dispense, transport with intent to distribute or dispense or cultivate a controlled dangerous substance or by distributing a controlled dangerous substance to a person under eighteen (18) years of age is punishable by twice the fine and by twice the imprisonment otherwise authorized.

F. Any person who violates any provision of this section by transporting with intent to distribute or dispense, distributing or possessing with intent to distribute a controlled dangerous substance to a person, or violation of subsection G of this section, in or on, or within two thousand (2,000) feet of the real property comprising a public or private elementary or secondary school, public vocational school, public or private college or university, or other institution of higher education, recreation center or public park, including state parks and recreation areas, public housing project, or child care facility as defined by Section 402 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be punished by:

1. For a first offense, a term of imprisonment, or by the imposition of a fine or by both, not exceeding twice that authorized by the appropriate provision of this section and shall serve a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of the sentence received prior to

becoming eligible for state correctional institution earned credits toward the completion of said sentence; or

2. For a second or subsequent offense, a term of imprisonment as provided for a habitual offender pursuant to Section 51.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes. In addition the violator shall serve eighty-five percent (85%) of the sentence received prior to becoming eligible for state correctional institution earned credits toward the completion of said sentence or eligibility for parole.

G. 1. Except as authorized by the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act, it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture or attempt to manufacture any controlled dangerous substance or possess any substance listed in Section 2-322 of this title or any substance containing any detectable amount of pseudoephedrine or its salts, optical isomers or salts of optical isomers, iodine or its salts, optical isomers or salts of optical isomers, hydriodic acid, sodium metal, lithium metal, anhydrous ammonia, phosphorus, or organic solvents with the intent to use that substance to manufacture a controlled dangerous substance.

2. Any person violating the provisions of this subsection with respect to the unlawful manufacturing or attempting to unlawfully manufacture any controlled dangerous substance, or possessing any substance listed in this subsection or Section 2-322 of this title, upon conviction, is guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for not less than seven (7) years nor more than life and by a fine of not less than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment. The possession of any amount of anhydrous ammonia in an unauthorized container shall be prima facie evidence of intent to use such substance to manufacture a controlled dangerous substance.

3. Any person violating the provisions of this subsection with respect to the unlawful manufacturing or attempting to unlawfully manufacture any controlled dangerous substance in the following amounts:

- a. one (1) kilogram or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of heroin,
- b. five (5) kilograms or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of:
  - (1) coca leaves, except coca leaves and extracts of coca leaves from which cocaine, ecgonine, and derivatives of ecgonine or their salts have been removed,
  - (2) cocaine, its salts, optical and geometric isomers, and salts of isomers,
  - (3) ecgonine, its derivatives, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, or
  - (4) any compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of any of the substances referred to in divisions (1) through (3) of this subparagraph,

- c. fifty (50) grams or more of a mixture or substance described in division (2) of subparagraph b of this paragraph which contains cocaine base,
- d. one hundred (100) grams or more of phencyclidine (PCP) or 1 kilogram or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of phencyclidine (PCP),
- e. ten (10) grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD),
- f. four hundred (400) grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide or 100 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of any analogue of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide,
- g. one thousand (1,000) kilograms or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of marihuana or one thousand (1000) or more marihuana plants regardless of weight, or
- h. fifty (50) grams or more of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers or 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, or salts of its isomers,

upon conviction, is guilty of aggravated manufacturing a controlled dangerous substance punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for not less than twenty (20) years nor more than life and by a fine of not less than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), which shall be in addition to other punishment provided by law and shall not be imposed in lieu of other punishment. Any person convicted of a violation of the provisions of this paragraph shall be required to serve a minimum of eighty-five percent (85%) of the sentence received prior to becoming eligible for state correctional earned credits towards the completion of the sentence or eligible for parole.

4. Any sentence to the custody of the Department of Corrections for any violation of paragraph 3 of this subsection shall not be subject to statutory provisions for suspended sentences, deferred sentences, or probation. A person convicted of a second or subsequent violation of the provisions of paragraph 3 of this subsection shall be punished as a habitual offender pursuant to Section 51.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes and shall be required to serve a minimum of eighty-five percent (85%) of the sentence received prior to becoming eligible for state correctional earned credits or eligibility for parole.

H. Any person convicted of any offense described in ~~this section~~ the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act may, in addition to the fine imposed, be assessed an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the fine imposed, ~~notwithstanding any maximum assessment allowable in Section 2-506 of this title.~~ Such assessment shall be paid into a revolving fund for enforcement of

controlled dangerous substances created pursuant to Section 2-506 of this title.

I. For purposes of this section, "public housing project" means any dwelling or accommodations operated as a state or federally subsidized multifamily housing project by any housing authority, nonprofit corporation or municipal developer or housing projects created pursuant to the Oklahoma Housing Authorities Act.

J. When a person is found guilty of a violation of the provisions of this section, the court shall order, in addition to any other penalty, the defendant to pay a one-hundred-dollar assessment to be deposited in the Drug Abuse Education and Treatment Revolving Fund created in Section 2-503.2 of this title, upon collection.

SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2001, Section 150.23, is amended to read as follows:

Section 150.23 A. An officer, investigator, or agent of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Department of Wildlife Conservation, the Law Enforcement Division of the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, ~~or~~ the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, or the office of a district attorney shall be entitled to receive, upon retirement by reason of length of service, the continued custody and possession of the sidearm and badge carried by such officer, investigator, or agent immediately prior to retirement.

B. An officer, investigator, or agent ~~of either Bureau or of the Department~~ specified in subsection A of this section may be entitled to receive, upon retirement by reason of disability, the continued custody and possession of the sidearm and badge carried by such officer or agent immediately prior to retirement upon written approval of the applicable Director of the appropriate Bureau ~~or~~, Department, Commission, or district attorney.

C. Custody and possession of the sidearm and badge of an officer, investigator, or agent who dies while employed by ~~either any Bureau, the Department or the~~, Commission, or office specified in subsection A of this section may be awarded by the applicable Director of the appropriate Bureau ~~or the~~, Department, Commission, or office to the spouse or next-of-kin of the deceased officer, investigator, or agent.

SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2001, Section 913, as last amended by Section 101 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2725 of the 2nd Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature, is amended to read as follows:

Section 913. A. Prior service shall be credited as follows:

1. A member shall receive full credit for employment with any participating employer prior to the entry date of his or her employer whether or not continuous and whether or not he or she was employed with a participating employer on such entry date, provided that any member who has retired before the passage of Section 901 et seq. of this title, shall not receive retirement benefits retroactively for such prior service. Provided, that at such time

that an employer becomes a participating employer on or after January 1, 1965, and before January 1, 1975, each member and each retirant, upon making proper written application therefor, shall receive prior service credit for service with such employer in the same manner as if such participating employer had been a participating employer on the date first eligible to become a participating employer; and increased benefits attributable to such increased prior service credit shall commence with the next monthly benefit payment due following receipt and approval of such application by the Board of Trustees. No prior service shall be granted, however, for periods of service in which the employee made contributions which he or she subsequently withdrew, unless he or she has complied with the provisions of subsection (5) of Section 917 of this title. The burden of proof regarding prior service shall be with the member and shall be documented in such manner as the Board may direct;

2. Any member who was employed in an institution of higher learning by a State Board of Regents or who was employed by an Oklahoma school district prior to July 1, 1943, may receive prior service credit under this act for the period of time they were so employed;

3. Any member who served in the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in paragraph (23) of Section 902 of this title, prior to membership in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall be granted prior service credit, not to exceed five (5) years, for those periods of active military service during which he or she was a war veteran. For a member of the System hired on or after July 1, 2003, if the military service credit authorized by this paragraph is used to compute the retirement benefit of the member and the member retires from the System, such military service credit shall not be used to compute the retirement benefit in any other retirement system created pursuant to the Oklahoma Statutes and the member may receive credit for such service only in the retirement system from which the member first retires;

4. An elective state, county, city or town official who is ineligible for membership as a result of any applicable state law or constitutional provision making him or her ineligible solely because of his or her being such an official at the time of his or her eligibility for membership at the time his or her employer becomes a participating employer shall nevertheless not forfeit the prior service credit to which he or she would be entitled except for such ineligibility, provided that he or she either:

- a. becomes an employee of a participating employer within four (4) calendar months of the expiration of his or her term of office current at the time of his or her eligibility except for his or her being an elective state or county official, or
- b. within a period of four (4) years after the expiration of his or her term of office current at the time of his or her eligibility except for his or her being an elective state or county official, is elected as a state or county official and thereupon becomes a member of the System, or

- c. has completed ten (10) years of credited service as of the date of his or her eligibility for membership except for his or her being an elective state or county official;

5. Beginning July 1, 1965, all employees of the Department of Human Services shall participate in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System to the same extent as other employees of participating employers in such System. Provided, that any employee performing teaching services in the Oklahoma School for the Deaf or the Oklahoma School for the Blind may elect to participate in the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma in lieu of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System; and any other employee at each such institution or any other institution under the jurisdiction of the Department of Human Services, participating in the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma, may elect to continue to participate in such system in lieu of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System. All employees who shall have participated in the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma and not continuing therein shall have the right to withdraw their membership from the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma on the same terms as other members withdrawing from such System before retirement. Provided, all persons employed at the Oklahoma School for the Blind and Oklahoma School for the Deaf on June 30, 1965, who became subject to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, on July 1, 1965, shall receive credit for prior service and be eligible for participation, regardless of age;

6. A member employed as a temporary employee by the Legislative Service Bureau or its predecessors, the State Senate or the House of Representatives for the full duration of a regular legislative session prior to the member's eligibility for membership in the System shall receive six (6) months of prior service credit for each such full regular legislative session if the employee is employed by the Legislative Service Bureau or its predecessors, the State Senate or the House of Representatives as either a full-time or temporary employee for a minimum of six (6) full regular legislative sessions beginning January 1, 1983. For purposes of this subsection, the determination of whether an employee is employed for the full duration of a regular legislative session shall be made by the Legislative Service Bureau if such employee is employed by the Legislative Service Bureau, the State Senate if such employee is employed by the State Senate, or by the House of Representatives if such employee is employed by the House of Representatives;

7. A member of the System shall receive prior service credit for any years of service after January 1, 1975, the member had with a participating employer if the member is not receiving or eligible to receive such prior service credit for the same time in any other state or county retirement system authorized by law. To receive the service credit, the member shall pay the amount determined by the Board pursuant to Section 913.5 of this title; and

8. Any member who is a state employee and receives temporary total disability benefits during the period of absence with a participating employer due to a work-related injury or illness incurred while engaged in a governmental function for said participating employer pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act shall receive credit for participating service during said period of absence subject to the following requirements:

- a. the member was employed by the participating employer immediately prior to and during the period of absence,
- b. the member must notify the System in writing not later than four (4) months after the member's return to his or her job duties with the participating employer, or termination of employment with the participating employer, or termination of the temporary total disability benefits, whichever is earlier, of the member's desire to receive participating service credit for the period of absence,
- c. the participating employer must certify to the System in writing the dates during which temporary total disability benefits payments were paid to the member, and
- d. the member and the participating employer shall each pay their respective contributions required for the period of absence without interest within sixty (60) days of invoicing by the System, or with interest of seven and one-half percent (7 1/2%) compounded annually if paid after said sixty (60) days.

B. Participating service shall be credited as follows:

1. A member shall receive credit for participating service with a participating employer in accordance with the rules and regulations established by the Board; provided, however, that a member who is not a full-time employee shall receive prorated credit for actual hours worked;

2. Leaves of absence shall not count as a break in continuous employment provided the member leaves his or her accumulated contribution on deposit with the fund; however, the leaves of absence shall not be credited except that involuntary furloughs established by Office of Personnel Management rules shall be credited, as well as involuntary furloughs of employees of a district attorney conducted in substantial compliance with the rules of the Office of Personnel Management as certified by the District Attorneys Council;

3. Any member who has served in the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in paragraph (23) of Section 902 of this title, shall be granted participating service for those periods of active military service during which he or she was a war veteran provided this service is immediately preceded by a period of employment with a participating employer and is followed by return to employment as an employee with the same or another participating employer within ninety (90) days immediately following discharge from such military service provided the member leaves his or her accumulated contributions on deposit with the fund;

4. A period of total disability under the System immediately followed by employment with a participating employer, shall not count as a break in continuous employment; provided, that such periods while not employed shall not be credited except that involuntary furloughs established by Office of Personnel Management Rule 6.13, shall be credited;

5. Termination of employment with a participating employer followed by employment with the same or another participating employer within four (4) calendar months shall not constitute a break in continuous employment; provided, that such period while not employed shall not be credited as participating service;

6. Provided, however, that all employee contributions required by this act made by employees prior to June 30, 1977, will entitle the employee to additional years of participating service in accordance with the following schedule.

Employee accumulated contributions:

More than \$1.00 up to \$500	= 1 year participating service
More than \$500 up to \$1,000	= 2 years participating service
More than \$1,000 up to \$1,500	= 3 years participating service
More than \$1,500 up to \$2,000	= 4 years participating service
More than \$2,000	= 5 years participating service

In no event shall the employee be entitled to more than five (5) additional years of participating service as provided hereunder.

Provided further, that upon termination of employment prior to retirement, the accumulated contributions will be credited as above indicated to establish a vested benefit if so elected by any such employee; and

7. The total participating service credit of a member who retires or terminates employment and elects a vested benefit shall include not to exceed one hundred thirty (130) days of unused sick leave accumulated subsequent to August 1, 1959, during the member's employment with any participating employer. Such credit shall be added in terms of whole months. Twenty (20) days of unused sick leave shall equal one (1) month for purposes of participating service credit. If unused sick leave entitles a member to an additional year of service credit, the member's employer shall reimburse the System for the cost of funding the additional reserve. Each participating employer shall provide the System with adequate and timely information necessary to determine additional benefits and its cost under this paragraph. This paragraph shall apply to members retiring or vesting on or after July 1, 1984.

C. In determining the number of years of credited service, a fractional year of six (6) months or more shall be considered as one (1) year, and less than six (6) months shall be disregarded.

D. A member may receive credit for those years of credited service accumulated by the member while a member of the Oklahoma Firefighters Pension and Retirement System, the Oklahoma Police Pension and Retirement System, the Uniform Retirement System for Justices and Judges, the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System, or the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma, if the member is not receiving or eligible to receive retirement credit or benefits from said service in any other public retirement system. To receive the

service credit, the member shall pay the amount determined by the Board pursuant to Section 913.5 of this title.

E. A member may receive credit for those years of service accumulated by the member as an elected official if the member is not receiving or eligible to receive retirement credit or benefits from said service in any public retirement system. Prior to January 1, 1991, to receive the service credit, the member shall pay to the Board for each year of service purchased pursuant to this subsection a sum equal to the employee and employer contribution rate that would have been applicable to the member as determined by the Board and interest of not to exceed five percent (5%), and effective January 1, 1991, to receive the service credit, the member shall pay the amount determined by the Board pursuant to Section 913.5 of this title.

F. Effective December 12, 1994, and thereafter, a leave of absence on account of a period of qualified military service in the uniformed services of the United States within the meaning of Section 414(u) (5) of the federal Internal Revenue Code, followed by a return to employment with the participating employer within ninety (90) days after completion of the period of service may be eligible for credited service under this System. Notwithstanding any provision of this plan to the contrary, contributions, benefits and service credit with respect to qualified military service will be allowed in accordance with Section 414(u) of the federal Internal Revenue Code.

G. 1. An active member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System may receive credit for those years of service accumulated by the member while a member of the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma if:

- a. the member is an active member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, and
- b. the member provides notice to the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System of the member's election to transfer said retirement credit. The notice shall include a list of the years to be transferred, and
- c. the member is not receiving or eligible to receive retirement credit or benefits from said service in any other public retirement system, notwithstanding the years of service sought to be transferred under this subsection.

Members electing to take advantage of the transfer authorized by this subsection who are receiving or eligible to receive retirement credit or benefits from said service in any other public retirement system shall have all service credit with the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma canceled which is not transferred to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System or used as a cash offset in such a transfer pursuant to subparagraph d of paragraph 2 of this subsection. Service credit transferred to the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma under this subsection shall also be canceled with the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System.

2. For purposes of this subsection, the "sending system" shall mean the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma. The "receiving system" shall mean the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System.

- a. Within thirty (30) days notification of an intent to transfer is received by the sending system, the sending system shall, according to its own rules and regulations:
  - (1) for members who have vested with the sending system, determine the present value of the member's earned benefits attributable to the years of service sought to be transferred, discounted according to the member's age at the time of transfer and computed as of the earliest age at which the member would be able to retire. Said computation shall assume an unreduced benefit and be computed using interest and mortality assumptions consistent with the actuarial assumptions adopted by the Board of Trustees for purposes of preparing the annual actuarial evaluation but shall not make any projections regarding future salary. For vested employees the sending system shall use the product of this calculation for purposes of determining the transfer fee to be paid by the employee under subparagraph c of this paragraph so long as it is greater than the product of the calculation in this division, and
  - (2) determine the sum of the employee and employer contributions applicable to the years of service sought to be transferred plus interest consistent with the actuarial assumptions adopted by the Board of Trustees for purposes of preparing the annual actuarial evaluation. For all nonvested members, and for vested members if the product of this calculation is greater than the product of the calculation in division (1) of this subparagraph, the sending system shall use the product of this calculation for purposes of determining the amount to be transferred by the sending system under subparagraph c of this paragraph and any transfer fee to be paid by the members under subparagraph d of this paragraph.
- b. Within thirty (30) days after notification of an intent to transfer is received by the receiving system, the receiving system shall determine, according to the system's own rules and regulations, the present value of the member's incremental projected benefits discounted according to the member's age at the time of the transfer. Incremental projected benefits shall be the difference between the projected benefit said member would receive without transferring the service credit and the projected benefit after transfer of service credit computed as of the earliest age at which the member would be able to retire. Said computation shall assume an unreduced benefit and be computed using interest, salary

projections and mortality assumptions consistent with the actuarial assumptions adopted by the Board of Trustees for purposes of preparing the annual actuarial evaluation.

- c. The sending system shall, within sixty (60) days from the date notification of an intent to transfer is received by the sending system, transfer to the receiving system the amount determined in subparagraph a of this paragraph. Except, if the cost under subparagraph a of this paragraph for the same years of service to the sending system is greater than the actuarial value of the incremental benefit in the receiving system, as established in subparagraph b of this paragraph, the sending system shall send the receiving system an amount equal to the actuarial value of the incremental projected benefit in the receiving system.
- d. In order to receive the credit provided for in paragraph 1 of this subsection, if the cost of the actuarial value of the incremental benefit to the receiving system is greater than the cost as calculated under subparagraph a of this paragraph for the same years of service to the sending system as established in subparagraphs a and b of this paragraph, the employee shall elect to:
  - (1) pay any difference to receive full credit for the years sought to be transferred, or
  - (2) receive prorated service credit for only the amount received from the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma pursuant to this subsection.

Such an election shall be made in writing, filed with the System prior to receiving the credit provided for in paragraph 1 of this subsection, and shall be irrevocable.

3. Within sixty (60) days of successfully completing all of the requirements for transfer under this subsection, the sending system shall pay the receiving system any amount due under this subsection. Within sixty (60) days of successfully completing all of the requirements for transfer under this subsection, the member shall pay the receiving system any amount due under this subsection. In the event that the member is unable to pay the transfer fee provided for in this subsection by the due date, the Board of Trustees of the receiving system shall permit the member to amortize the transfer fee over a period not to exceed sixty (60) months. Said payments shall be made by payroll deductions unless the Board of Trustees permits an alternate payment source. The amortization shall include interest in an amount not to exceed the actuarially assumed interest rate adopted by the Board of Trustees for investment earnings each year. Any member who ceases to make payment, terminates, retires or dies before completing the payments provided for in this section shall receive prorated service credit for only those payments made, unless the unpaid balance is paid by said member, his or her estate or successor in interest within six (6) months after said member's death, termination of employment or retirement, provided no

retirement benefits shall be payable until the unpaid balance is paid, unless said member or beneficiary affirmatively waives the additional six-month period in which to pay the unpaid balance.

4. Years of service transferred pursuant to this subsection shall be used both in determining the member's retirement benefit and in determining the years of service for retirement and/or vesting purposes. Years of service rendered as a member of the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma prior to July 1, 1992, if any, shall be deemed to be years of service rendered as a member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System prior to July 1, 1992, and shall qualify such person as a member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System before July 1, 1992.

5. Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 17-104 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, members electing to take advantage of the transfer authorized by this subsection who have withdrawn their contributions from the sending system shall remit to the sending system the amount of the accumulated contributions the member has withdrawn plus simple interest of ten percent (10%) per annum prior to making said election or the election shall be deemed invalid and the transfer shall be canceled. If such an election is deemed invalid and the transfer is canceled, the accumulated contribution remitted to the sending system by the member who originally withdrew their contributions shall be returned to the member. The member's rights and obligations regarding any service credit reestablished in the sending system due to a failure to satisfy the requirements of this subsection shall be determined by the sending system in accordance with Section 17-101 et seq. of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

6. If any member fails for any reason to satisfy the requirements of this subsection, the election to transfer retirement credit shall be void and of no effect, and any retirement credited as a result of this transfer shall be canceled. If such retirement credit is canceled, the years of canceled retirement credit which were unsuccessfully transferred to the receiving system from the sending system shall be reestablished in the sending system. The member's rights and obligations regarding any retirement credit reestablished in the sending system due to a failure to satisfy the requirements of this subsection shall be determined by the sending system in accordance with Section 17-101 et seq. of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

7. The Board of Trustees shall promulgate such rules as are necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection.

H. 1. A member of the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma whose last service with the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma was with an entity or institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, State Board of Education, State Board of Career and Technology Education, Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics, Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology, State Department of Rehabilitation Services, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, Department of Corrections, State Department of Education, Oklahoma Board of Private Vocational Schools, Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges, Oklahoma Student Loan Authority, or the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma, may elect to receive credit for those years of service accumulated by the member in the

Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma, pursuant to this subsection. A member shall be eligible to elect to transfer credit for such years of service from the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System if:

- a. the member is an active member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System,
- b. the member provides notice to the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System of the member's election to transfer such retirement credit. The notice shall include a list of the years to be transferred, and
- c. the member is not receiving or eligible to receive retirement credit or benefits from such service in any other public retirement system, notwithstanding the years of service sought to be transferred under this subsection.

Members electing to take advantage of the transfer authorized by this subsection shall have all service credit with the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma canceled which is transferred to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System.

2. For purposes of this subsection, the "sending system" shall mean the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma. The "receiving system" shall mean the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System.

Within thirty (30) days after notification of an intent to transfer is received by the sending system, the sending system shall, according to its own rules, send to the receiving system all employer and employee contributions made on behalf of the member which were made to the sending system plus an additional amount of earnings based on the actuarial assumed rate of the sending system. Upon receipt of these contributions by the receiving system, the receiving system shall give credit to the transferring member in an amount equal to the years of service accrued in the sending system.

3. If the transferring member's normal retirement date calculation is based upon the sum of the member's age and number of years of credited service totaling eighty (80) in the sending system, then the member shall retain such calculation in the receiving system.

4. The Board of Trustees shall promulgate such rules as are necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection.

I. A member of the System in the employment of the Governor, the State Senate or the House of Representatives, on or after July 1, 1999, may make an election prior to December 31, 2000, which shall be irrevocable and on a form prescribed for such purpose by the System, to continue participation in the System upon becoming employed by a participating employer of the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma. The Board shall promulgate all rules necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection.

J. 1. An inactive member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System who has terminated employment with a participating employer but has not withdrawn his or her accumulated contributions

and who now works for a county and participates in a county defined benefit retirement system created pursuant to Section 951 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes may elect to transfer service credit accumulated in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System to such county retirement system pursuant to Section 3 of this act.

2. The county defined benefit retirement system shall notify the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System of the approval of the transfer. Within thirty (30) days after notification of the approval is received by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, the System shall, according to its own rules, certify the service credited in the System and send to the county defined benefit retirement system all employee contributions made by the member to the System. Members electing to take advantage of the transfer authorized by this subsection shall have all service credit with the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System canceled upon the transfer of contributions to the county defined benefit retirement system.

3. The Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall promulgate such rules as are necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection.

SECTION 17. Sections 1 through 3 and 5 through 15 of this act shall become effective July 1, 2004.

SECTION 18. Section 4 of this act shall become effective upon approval by the people of this state of the provisions of Enrolled House Bill No. 1278 of the 1st Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature.

SECTION 19. 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.

Passed the House of Representatives the 3rd day of May, 2004.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 15th day of April, 2004.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate