

SB 631

THE STATE SENATE
Monday, February 24, 2003

Senate Bill No. 631

As Amended

SENATE BILL NO. 631 - By: SMITH of the Senate and PETERS of the House.

[crimes and punishments - vulnerable adults - penalty - codification - effective date - 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 843.3 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any person who engages in abuse, sexual abuse, or exploitation of a vulnerable adult, as defined in Section 10-103 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall be fined not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or be imprisoned not more than eighteen (18) months, or both such fine and imprisonment.

B. Any person who has a responsibility to care for a vulnerable adult who purposely, knowingly or recklessly neglects the vulnerable adult as defined in Section 10-103 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be fined not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or be imprisoned for not more than eighteen (18) months, or both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2003.

1 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, dated 2-11-03 - DO
6 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.