

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL HB1405

By: Toure

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending 21 O.S. 2001, Section 701.9, which relates to punishment for murder; modifying punishment for murder in the first degree for certain persons; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 701.9, is amended to read as follows:

Section 701.9 A. A 1. Except as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection, a person who is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to murder in the first degree shall be punished by death, by imprisonment for life without parole or by imprisonment for life.

2. A person who is under eighteen (18) years of age at the time of the offense and is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to murder in the first degree shall be punished by imprisonment for life without parole or by imprisonment for life.

B. A person who is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to murder in the second degree shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in a state penal institution for not less than ten (10) years nor more than life.

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

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