

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 436

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to counties and county officers; authorizing the sheriffs to enter into certain contracts to collect outstanding warrants; providing for administration of contract; defining term; providing for payment by certain means; providing for administrative fee; providing for codification; providing an effective date; 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 514.4 of Title 19, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Notwithstanding any other section of law, the county sheriffs of all Oklahoma counties may enter into a private contract to establish an automated telephone system which would notify persons of their outstanding misdemeanor warrants. Any such contract entered into shall be administered by the Oklahoma Sheriffs' Association.

B. The automated telephone system shall allow the person with outstanding misdemeanor warrants to make payment by electronic means. For purposes of this subsection, "electronic means" shall be defined as the use of a nationally recognized credit or a debit card for payment of outstanding misdemeanor warrants using an automated telephone system.

C. The sheriff shall charge an administrative fee of fifteen percent (15%) of the cost of the outstanding misdemeanor warrant for each payment transaction. All fees shall be deposited into the

Sheriffs' Administrative Fee Account at the Oklahoma Sheriffs' Association.

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

SECTION 3. 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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