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THE STATE SENATE
Wednesday, April 5, 2006

ENGROSSED

House Bill No. 2487

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2487 - By: NANCE of the House and BARRINGTON of the Senate.

[Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation - motor vehicle theft unit - effective date]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2001, Section 150.2, as last amended by Section 15, Chapter 461, O.S.L. 2003 (74 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 150.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 150.2 The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall have the power and duty to:

1. Maintain a nationally accredited scientific laboratory to assist all law enforcement agencies in the discovery and detection of criminal activity;

2. Maintain fingerprint and other identification files including criminal history records, juvenile identification files, and DNA profiles;

3. Establish, coordinate and maintain the automated fingerprinting identification system (AFIS) and the deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) laboratory;

- 1 4. Operate teletype, mobile and fixed radio or other
2 communications systems;
- 3 5. Conduct schools and training programs for the agents, peace
4 officers, and technicians of this state charged with the enforcement
5 of law and order and the investigation and detection of crime;
- 6 6. Assist the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of
7 Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Chief Medical Examiner,
8 and all law enforcement officers and district attorneys when such
9 assistance is requested, in accordance with the policy determined by
10 the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Commission established in
11 Section 150.3 of this title;
- 12 7. Investigate and detect criminal activity when directed to do
13 so by the Governor;
- 14 8. Investigate, detect, institute and maintain actions
15 involving vehicle theft pursuant to Section ~~150.7~~ 150.7a of this
16 title or oil, gas or oil field equipment theft pursuant to Sections
17 152.2 through 152.9 of this title;
- 18 9. Investigate any criminal threat made to the physical safety
19 of elected or appointed officials of this state or any political
20 subdivision of the state and forward the results of that
21 investigation to the Department of Public Safety, and provide
22 security to foreign elected or appointed officials while they are in
23 this state on official business;

1 10. Investigate and detect violations of the Oklahoma Computer
2 Crimes Act; and

3 11. Investigate and enforce all laws relating to any crime
4 listed as an exception to the definition of "nonviolent offense" as
5 set forth in section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes that
6 occur on the turnpikes.

7 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2001, Section 150.7a, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 Section 150.7a A. The Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau
10 of Investigation shall ~~establish a vehicle theft unit within the~~
11 ~~Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation. The investigators shall~~
12 ~~have the same qualifications as those required for an agent,~~
13 pursuant to Section 150.2 of this title, have the authority to
14 investigate, detect, institute, and maintain actions involving
15 vehicle theft.

16 B. ~~The vehicle theft unit or any~~ Any commissioned employee of
17 the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation may:

18 1. Conduct investigations of organized motor vehicle or heavy
19 equipment theft rings;

20 2. Determine sources and outlets for stolen motor vehicles,
21 motor vehicle parts or heavy equipment;

22 3. Investigate any theft of a motor vehicle, motor vehicle
23 parts or heavy equipment for which the Agency receives notice;

1 4. Arrest or cause the arrest of any person when reasonable
2 grounds exist to believe that such person has stolen a motor
3 vehicle, motor vehicle parts or heavy equipment;

4 5. Coordinate the effort of this state to reduce motor vehicle
5 theft with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies; or

6 6. Develop educational programs on detection and prevention of
7 motor vehicle theft.

8 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND
10 SECURITY, dated 4-3-06 - DO PASS, As Amended.