

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 2000

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An Act relating to corrections; creating a Pilot Drug Court Reentry Program; limiting duration of certain program; setting minimal eligibility criteria; requiring rural and metropolitan sites; making certain program subject to state appropriations; limiting number of participants; authorizing only parolees during first year of operation; directing certain agencies to make site selections and determine final eligibility criteria; prohibiting supplanting of existing services or opportunities; construing obligation of certain agencies to provide certain services; 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 471.12 of Title 22, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created until June 2008 a Pilot Drug Court Reentry Program for eligible inmates and parolees with a history of substance abuse. The eligible persons shall have multiple convictions for substance-related offenses; shall not have any violent offense; shall not have previously participated in a drug court program; are not currently sentenced to a split sentence; and are not sentenced to incarceration as a result of having been revoked from a deferred judgment, suspended sentence, a drug court program or a community sentence. The pilot program sites shall consist of at least one rural county and one metropolitan county having an existing drug court program. The pilot program shall be subject to state appropriations and shall not exceed thirty-five eligible persons in the first or second year of operation. The

Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in conjunction with the Department of Corrections shall select the two pilot sites and determine any final eligibility criteria for the program which shall include only parolees in the first year of operation. State resources appropriated to this pilot program shall not be used to supplant any existing service or aftercare opportunity available to the person, nor shall state resources appropriated to this pilot program be used for any person otherwise eligible at the time of sentencing for any existing drug court program or substance abuse treatment in the community. The establishment of this pilot program shall not relieve any state agency from providing treatment or services to any person otherwise qualified to receive such treatment or services.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2006.

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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