

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT
TO
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 1452 By: Lamb of the Senate
3 and
4 Blackwell of the House
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8 (prisons and reformatories - Reentry Policy
9 Council - reimbursement -
10 emergency)
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13 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the stricken title, enacting clause and
14 entire bill and insert

15 "An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
16 amending Section 2, Chapter 274, O.S.L. 2007 (57
17 O.S. Supp. 2007, Section 521.1), which relates to
18 the Reentry Policy Council; providing for
19 reimbursement of Council members; and declaring an
20 emergency.

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

21 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 274, O.S.L.
22 2007 (57 O.S. Supp. 2007, Section 521.1), is amended to read as
23 follows:
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1 Section 521.1 A. Upon the effective date of this act, a
2 Reentry Policy Council shall be created for the purpose of providing
3 oversight of the reentry policies and programs operated by the
4 Department of Corrections. The Council shall consist of eleven (11)
5 members and shall be appointed as follows:

6 1. Three members shall be appointed by the Governor as follows:

- 7 a. one member shall be a law enforcement officer,
- 8 b. one member shall be a corrections official, and
- 9 c. one member shall be a crime victim;

10 2. Four members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the
11 Oklahoma House of Representatives as follows:

- 12 a. one member shall be a member of the Oklahoma House of
13 Representatives,
- 14 b. one member shall be a representative of a faith-based
15 organization involved with the reintegration of
16 inmates,
- 17 c. one member shall be a person who has been previously
18 convicted of a criminal offense in Oklahoma, and
- 19 d. one member shall be a mental health and substance
20 abuse official; and

21 3. Four members shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore
22 of the Oklahoma State Senate as follows:

- 23 a. one member shall be a member of the Oklahoma State
24 Senate,

1 b. one member shall be a representative from a for-profit
2 half-way house who specializes in reintegration of
3 inmates,

4 c. one member shall be a representative from a nonprofit
5 entity involved with the reintegration of inmates, and

6 d. one member shall be a district attorney, or his or her
7 designee.

8 B. The Council shall:

9 1. Review corrections policies, programs and procedures to
10 ensure that the primary purpose of each is public safety during
11 imprisonment and after release;

12 2. Identify gaps in reentry programs and services as well as
13 overlapping efforts, and recommend changes to address those issues;

14 3. Review policies to ensure that corrections facilities
15 recruit and welcome volunteers;

16 4. Review the licensing procedures within this state to
17 eliminate barriers to employment that are unrelated to the conduct
18 underlying the conviction; and

19 5. Report annually to the Legislature and the Governor on the
20 progress of the reentry initiative, including the impact on
21 recidivism, effectiveness of agency coordination and communications,
22 and the implementation of reentry plans and use of funding.

23 C. 1. Legislative members of the Council shall be reimbursed
24 for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of

1 their duties in accordance with Section 456 of Title 74 of the
2 Oklahoma Statutes from the legislative body in which they serve;

3 2. State agency employees who are members of the Council shall
4 be reimbursed for their travel expenses incurred in the performance
5 of their duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the
6 State Travel Reimbursement Act; and

7 3. All other Council members shall be reimbursed by the
8 Department of Central Services for travel expenses incurred in the
9 performance of their duties on the Council in accordance with the
10 State Travel Reimbursement Act.

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

15 Passed the House of Representatives the 10th day of April, 2008.

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19 Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

20 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2008.

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