

## BILL SUMMARY

MEASURE: **HB 2765**

AUTHOR: Representative Cox

SUBJECT: Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

PROVISIONS: **Section 1.** Amendatory. Updating language regarding the examination and treatment of forensic individuals by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (DMHSAS.)

Establishing a Forensic Review Board for the purpose of determining which individuals confined with DMHSAS are eligible for therapeutic visits, conditional release or discharge. Authorizing the Board to make recommendations to the court in which the individual was found not guilty by reason of insanity. Providing that meetings of Board are not subject to provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and are not open to the public.

**Section 2.** Amendatory. Deleting certain duty of the Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to establish a Forensics Review Board.

**Section 3.** Effective Date: November 1, 2008

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