

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 2170

By: Sparks of the Senate
and
Jordan of the House

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6 An Act relating to courts; creating Task Force on
7 Standardization of Courtroom Security Procedures;
8 specifying duties; providing for membership,
9 organization, staffing and travel reimbursement;
10 requiring report; providing for noncodification; and
11 declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
14 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

15 A. There is hereby created until November 30, 2010, the Task
16 Force on Standardization of Courtroom Security Procedures. The
17 purpose of the task force is to study the current security systems
18 for courthouses in this state and to develop a standard statewide
19 protocol for security procedures. The task force shall:

20 1. Review the security systems and procedures used in the
21 various courthouses in the counties of this state, the appellate
22 courts, the federal courts and the courts in surrounding states;

23 2. Identify both problems and best practices present in the
24 current systems and procedures used in the county courthouses; and

1 3. Develop either a standard statewide system as a goal to be
2 implemented in each county courthouse or statewide standards for the
3 various systems and procedures used in county courthouses.

4 B. The task force shall be composed of four (4) members as
5 follows:

6 1. The chairs of the Judiciary Committees of the Senate and the
7 House of Representatives;

8 2. The principal Senate author of this measure; and

9 3. The principal House author of this measure.

10 C. The chair and vice-chair of the task force shall be
11 designated by a joint agreement of the President Pro Tempore of the
12 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives from the
13 chairs of the Judiciary Committees of the Senate and the House of
14 Representatives.

15 D. A quorum of the task force shall be three members. A quorum
16 of the task force shall be required in order for the task force to
17 take any final action on recommendations to the Legislature.

18 E. Members of the task force shall not receive compensation for
19 their service, but shall be reimbursed for necessary travel expenses
20 incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the
21 provisions of Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

22 F. Staff support for the task force shall be provided by the
23 Administrative Director of the Courts and the staffs of the Senate
24 and House of Representatives.

1 G. Prior to November 31, 2010, the task force shall submit a
2 report of its findings and recommendations to the President Pro
3 Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
4 Representatives.

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

9 Passed the Senate the 8th day of March, 2010.

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12 Presiding Officer of the Senate

13 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
14 2010.

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17 Presiding Officer of the House
18 of Representatives