

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1893

By: Peterson, Sherrer, Kern,
Billy, Dank, Martin (Steve)
and Ritze of the House

and

Anderson and Johnson
(Constance) of the Senate

An Act relating to poor persons; authorizing the Aging Services Division of the Department of Human Services to develop and implement an Aging and Disability Resource Consortium initiative; providing duties and powers; stating purpose; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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 3002.1 of Title 56, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Aging Services Division of the Department of Human Services is encouraged and authorized to work collaboratively with other national, state and local agencies and community groups to establish, develop, and implement a single-point-of-entry concept for aging and disability groups in Oklahoma referred to as an Aging and Disability Resource Consortium (ADRC) initiative.

The Aging Services Division is designated as the lead agency in the establishment of an ADRC initiative in Oklahoma. The Aging Services Division shall collaborate and coordinate with the disability and aging network to ensure appropriate inclusion in the ADRC initiative. The Aging Services Division is authorized to pursue national, state or local grants to comply with national,

state or local rules or regulations to effect this enabling legislation.

The ADRC initiative shall streamline access to long-term support services and assist disabled and elderly Oklahomans to make informed decisions about their service and support options. The ADRC initiative shall coordinate existing systems of information, assistance and access for the elderly and disabled, and shall form state and local partnerships that provide information and assistance to individuals or professionals needing either public or private resources for themselves or their clients, especially when planning for long-term support service needs.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

Passed the House of Representatives the 16th day of February, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 13th day of April, 2009.

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