

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Monday, February 9, 2009

House Bill No. 1698

HOUSE BILL NO. 1698 - By: BILLY of the House and SYKES of the Senate.

An Act relating to prisons and reformatories; amending 57 O.S. 2001, Section 69, which relates to jail security; authorizing correctional facilities to serve free meals to correctional employees; and providing an effective date.

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

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2001, Section 69, is amended to read as  
2 follows:  
3 Section 69. In order to protect the health and safety of certain law enforcement  
4 personnel and the citizens of this state, and to provide the state with the benefit of  
5 proper security within the county jails and correctional facilities of this state, all jailers,  
6 jail directors, keepers of the jail, sheriffs, deputies, correctional employees, or any other  
7 law enforcement personnel working within the county jail or correctional facility may,  
8 upon the approval of the sheriff or facility head, be served the same meals served to the  
9 prisoners within such county jail or correctional facility. There shall be no cost to the law  
10 enforcement personnel for such meals. The county sheriff or facility head shall pay for  
11 these meals out of the funds appropriated to the county sheriffs or the State Department  
12 of Corrections. The county and all of its officers and agents are hereby prohibited from  
13 recouping the cost of such meals either directly or indirectly or otherwise considering

1 such costs or their impact when establishing the charges to municipalities for housing  
2 municipal prisoners in the county jail; provided, a municipality may negotiate the  
3 manner of establishing such charges.

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

5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, dated 02/05/09 - DO  
6 PASS, As Coauthored.