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Committee Substitute for  
ENGROSSED  
Senate Bill No. 789

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 789 - By:  
NICHOLS of the Senate and TERRILL of the House.

( crimes and punishments - false statements – penalty – codification –  
emergency )

1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma  
2 Statutes as Section 281 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering,  
3 reads as follows:

4 A. Any person who knowingly makes or utters a materially false statement, either  
5 verbally or in writing, to an officer or employee of an investigative unit of any state  
6 agency in the course of an internal agency investigation shall, upon conviction, be guilty  
7 of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one  
8 (1) year, or by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by both such fine  
9 and imprisonment.

10 B. The person being interviewed pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be  
11 informed, in writing and prior to commencement of the interview, that providing a  
12 materially false statement shall subject the person to criminal prosecution.

1           SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public  
2 peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof  
3 this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.  
4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, dated 04-07-09 - DO PASS,  
5 As Amended.