

3 Senate Bill No. 2110

4 SENATE BILL NO. 2110 - By: Sykes of the Senate and Johnson of the
5 House.

6 An Act relating to attorneys; defining term; prohibiting
7 unauthorized practice of law; creating misdemeanor offense;
8 establishing punishment; providing for codification; and
9 providing an effective date.

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

11 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1.1A of Title 5, unless there is
13 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A. For purposes of this section, "unauthorized practice of law"
15 occurs when a person gives legal advice of any kind or acts on
16 behalf of a client in any legal matter without being licensed to
17 practice law in this state. This shall include, but not be limited
18 to, appearing before a court on behalf of a client or causing a
19 document to be presented to a court on behalf of a client.

20 B. Any person who engages in the unauthorized practice of law
21 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor that, upon conviction, shall be
22 punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed six (6)
23 months, or by a fine not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00),
24 or by both such imprisonment and fine.

25 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

1 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, dated 2-9-10 - DO PASS,
2 As Coauthored.