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THE STATE SENATE  
Monday, February 22, 2010

Senate Bill No. 2219

As Amended

SENATE BILL NO. 2219 - By: Lamb of the Senate and Hamilton of the House.

[ prisons and reformatories - Department of Corrections - pilot program - codification - 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 510.8b of Title 57, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Legislature, recognizing the need for increased community reentry services for inmates with children, hereby authorizes the implementation of a pilot program for inmates of the Department of Corrections. The purpose of the pilot program shall be to provide a more comprehensive curriculum of reentry programs, diversion efforts, and services for inmates with children in order to help facilitate successful long-term reintegration.

B. The pilot program shall:

1. Identify the population of female inmates with children upon reception to the Department of Corrections;

2. Develop a comprehensive reentry plan for female inmates with children;

- 1           3. Modify existing reentry programs and services to better  
2 address the needs of female inmates with children;
- 3           4. Develop new programs and services that focus on parenting  
4 and life skills, family supports, education, and employment skills;
- 5           5. Develop or modify existing substance abuse treatment and  
6 mental health services and rehabilitation programs;
- 7           6. Develop partnerships within communities to assist in  
8 providing support services and employment opportunities to female  
9 inmates with children after the inmate has been discharged from the  
10 custody of the Department of Corrections; and
- 11          7. Develop partnerships within communities to identify  
12 nonviolent female offenders with children who can receive  
13 comprehensive services as part of a diversion effort, in partnership  
14 with the Department of Corrections.

15          C. The Department of Corrections shall promulgate rules  
16 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

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

18          COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, dated 2-16-10 - DO  
19          PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.