

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 HOUSE BILL 1840

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state government; directing the
8 Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) to
9 establish a Human Trafficking Services Unit;
10 authorizing OSBI to contract for certain services;
11 directing efforts be made to provide protection to
12 victims of human trafficking; providing for
13 relocation services; authorizing OSBI to contract
14 with certain entities and receive federal funds;
15 providing for codification; and providing an
16 effective date.

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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 151.3 of Title 74, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) shall
establish a Human Trafficking Services Unit for the primary purpose
of providing services and shelter for victims of human trafficking.

B. The OSBI is hereby authorized and directed to enter into
agreements and to contract for services that provide appropriate
housing, psychological counseling, medical care, crisis counseling,

1 | legal assistance, employment and educational assistance, and
2 | advocacy to victims of human trafficking.

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3 | C. During an investigation and prosecution for the crime of
4 | human trafficking, every reasonable effort shall be made to provide
5 | protection to the victim to:

6 | 1. Prevent recapture by the person who committed the offense or
7 | associates of the person who committed the offense; and

8 | 2. Prevent threats, reprisals or intimidation from the person
9 | who committed the offense or associates of the person who committed
10 | the offense.

11 | D. The OSBI shall ensure that relocation services are provided
12 | if:

13 | 1. Protection cannot be adequately provided to the victim; and

14 | 2. It is determined that there is a likelihood that an offense
15 | involving a crime of violence will be directed at the victim.

16 | E. Relocation services may include, but not be limited to:

17 | 1. New identification documents;

18 | 2. New residence;

19 | 3. Employment or work permits; or

20 | 4. Protection of confidentiality of identity and location.

21 | F. The OSBI may contract with public and private nonprofit
22 | organizations to operate the support services and relocation
23 | programs for victims of human trafficking. The OSBI is authorized
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1 | to receive grants from federal funds for the purpose of providing
2 | assistance to victims of human trafficking.

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

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