

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 52nd Legislature (2010)

3 SENATE BILL 2219

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
8 authorizing Department of Corrections to implement a
9 pilot program for certain inmates; providing purpose
10 of pilot program; stating functions of pilot program;
11 authorizing promulgation of rules; providing for
12 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 510.8b of Title 57, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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

24 B. The pilot program shall:

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

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

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

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