

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION NO. 30

By: Crain of the Senate

5 and

6 Peters of the House

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8 AS INTRODUCED

9 A Concurrent Resolution creating a task force to
10 study the Department of Human Services; providing for
11 purpose, composition, appointments, staff support and
12 report of task force.

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14 WHEREAS, a performance audit was conducted upon the Department
15 of Human Services; and

16 WHEREAS, the performance audit was released in February 2009 and
17 contains 25 recommendations for improvement; and

18 WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the Legislature to pursue all
19 possible means of reform to improve the performance of the
20 Department.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
22 OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
23 CONCURRING THEREIN:
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1 SECTION 1. A. A task force to study the Department of Human
2 Services is hereby created until December 31, 2009.

3 B. The task force shall:

4 1. Evaluate recommendations from the Department of Human
5 Services performance audit that are not in the process of being
6 implemented; and

7 2. Evaluate the feasibility of using nonprofit organizations in
8 the provision of child welfare services.

9 C. The task force shall be composed of seven (7) members as
10 follows:

11 1. Three members appointed by President Pro Tempore as follows:

12 a. one member of the Senate,

13 b. one nonprofit provider of child welfare services, and

14 c. one representative of a child advocacy organization in
15 the state;

16 2. Three members appointed by the Speaker as follows:

17 a. one member of the House of Representatives,

18 b. one nonprofit provider of child welfare services, and

19 c. one representative of a child advocacy organization in
20 the state; and

21 3. The Director of the Department of Human Services, or
22 designee.

23 D. The members of the task force shall serve at the pleasure of
24 the appointing authority.

1 E. The members from the Senate and the House of Representatives
2 shall serve as cochairs of the task force.

3 F. A quorum of the task force shall be required in order for
4 any final action of the task force.

5 G. Appointments for the task force shall be made by July 31,
6 2009, and the task force shall convene no later than August 15,
7 2009.

8 H. Members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for
9 their service, but shall receive travel reimbursement as follows:

10 1. Legislative members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed
11 for necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their
12 duties in accordance with the provisions of Section 456 of Title 74
13 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

14 2. Nonlegislative members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed
15 for necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their
16 duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

17 I. Staff support for the task force shall be provided by the
18 Department of Human Services.

19 J. The task force shall report its findings, including any
20 legislative recommendations, to the President Pro Tempore of the
21 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the
22 Governor by December 31, 2009.

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