

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 53rd Legislature (2011)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1218

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7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

8 An Act relating to children; amending 10 O.S. 2001,
9 Section 1505, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter
10 273, O.S.L. 2004 (10 O.S. Supp. 2010, Section 1505),
11 which relates to juvenile officers; removing
12 exception for counties with Juvenile Bureaus; and
13 providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2001, Section 1505, as
16 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 273, O.S.L. 2004 (10 O.S. Supp.
17 2010, Section 1505), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1505. A. 1. As provided by this subsection, the
19 presiding or associate district judge or other judge with juvenile
20 or deprived child docket responsibilities, with the approval of the
21 county commissioners, may employ a juvenile officer or an assistant
22 juvenile officer or contract with a court-appointed special advocate
23 program to provide juvenile officer or assistant juvenile officer
24 services.

1 2. In counties having a population in excess of twenty-four
2 thousand (24,000), the presiding or associate district judge, with
3 the approval of the county commissioners, may:

- 4 a. employ one juvenile officer for the respective county,
5 or
- 6 b. contract with a court-appointed special advocate
7 program to provide such services.

8 3. In counties having a population in excess of forty thousand
9 (40,000), the presiding or associate district judge, with the
10 approval of the county commissioners, may:

- 11 a. employ one juvenile officer and one assistant juvenile
12 officer for the respective county, or
- 13 b. contract with a court-appointed special advocate
14 program to provide such services.

15 B. 1. If employed:

- 16 a. the salary of the juvenile officer shall be not less
17 than sixty percent (60%) nor more than ninety percent
18 (90%) of Class A officers of the county, and
- 19 b. the salary of the assistant juvenile officer shall be
20 not less than sixty percent (60%) nor more than eighty
21 percent (80%) of Class A officers of the county. Such
22 salaries shall be paid from county funds.

23 2. The juvenile officer and assistant juvenile officer shall be
24 entitled to reimbursement for all traveling expenses incurred in the

1 performance of official duties. Such expenses shall be paid upon
2 sworn itemized claims. When transportation involves the use of the
3 private automobile of the juvenile officer or assistant juvenile
4 officer, such officer shall be entitled to claim reimbursement for
5 use thereof at the rate provided for state employees under the State
6 Travel Reimbursement Act. Such reimbursement shall be from county
7 funds.

8 C. 1. If the county contracts with a court-appointed special
9 advocate program:

10 a. the county may allow program employees to participate
11 in all county employee benefit programs including, but
12 not limited to, health care plans, and

13 b. the county may provide adequate office space for the
14 court-appointed special advocate program.

15 2. Participation in any county benefit program or the provision
16 of office space shall be included in the contract with the court-
17 appointed special advocate program.

18 D. Any juvenile officer and assistant juvenile officer shall
19 serve at the pleasure of the court.

20 E. ~~The provisions of this section shall not be applicable in~~
21 ~~counties which maintain a Juvenile Bureau under the provisions of~~
22 ~~the Oklahoma Juvenile Code.~~

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1 ~~F.~~ For purposes of this section, a court-appointed special
2 advocate program means a program as defined by Section 7001-1.3 of
3 this title.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2011.

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