HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 53rd Legislature (2012)

HOUSE BILL 2839 By: Martin (Scott) and Pittman

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to poor persons; directing the Department of Human Services to contact certain Indian tribes regarding the garnishment of certain winnings; requiring submission of certain report; providing for codification; and providing an 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 240.25 of Title 56, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Department of Human Services shall contact all tribal entities involved in gaming in the state pursuant to the State-Tribal Gaming Act in order to determine whether the tribal entity will assist the Department in the collection of child support arrearages through garnishment of winnings of an obligor in a tribal gaming establishment. The Department shall determine whether existing compacts with tribes would allow for modification in order

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to authorize obligor garnishment or if a new compact would be required. If garnishment of winnings is found to be immediately available, the Department shall immediately begin garnishment.

B. The Department of Human Services shall provide a report to the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate and Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives no later than July 1, 2013, which details the results of each contact, what terms and conditions each tribe may have for the garnishment of obligor winnings, and whether a modification of the existing compact or a new compact would be required to allow for the garnishment of winnings by a child support obligor.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2012.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET, dated 03/01/2012 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.

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