

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1342

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to child welfare; directing the
8 Department of Human Services to develop and implement
9 a child welfare teaming pilot program; specifying
10 dates of certain pilot program; stating purpose of
11 certain pilot program; requiring certain consideration
for selection; requiring certain report; directing the
Commission for Human Services to promulgate certain
rules; providing for codification; and providing an
effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in
16 the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-9-108.1 of Title 10A, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. The Department of Human Services shall develop and implement
19 a child welfare teaming pilot program. The pilot program shall begin
20 no later than January 1, 2013, and end no later than December 31,
21 2016.

22 B. The purpose of the pilot program shall be to create child
23 welfare teams of not less than three (3) child welfare workers, which
24 shall share and work cases together, make home visits together, and

1 share information and advice on all the cases in a unit. Such child
2 welfare teams shall be selected with consideration for diversity.

3 C. The Department shall report to the Legislature on or before
4 December 31, 2016, on:

5 1. Information on the outcomes of the pilot program, including
6 its effect on families and child welfare workers;

7 2. Whether a statewide expansion of the pilot program would
8 improve child welfare outcomes; and

9 3. The projected fiscal impact of a statewide expansion of the
10 pilot program.

11 D. The Commission for Human Services shall promulgate rules as
12 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

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

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