

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 854

By: Halligan and Johnson  
(Constance) of the Senate

3 and

4 Denney of the House

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7 [ jails - health services - medication - codification -  
8 effective date ]  
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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

11 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4.1 of Title 57, unless there is  
13 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 In addition to other medical and health care services required  
15 by a jail facility as may be provided by rule by the State  
16 Department of Health, the person responsible for administration for  
17 a jail shall administer medications according to the following:

18 1. Medications in the possession of the prisoner at the time of  
19 the booking, whether prescription or over-the-counter, shall be  
20 logged, counted and secured. Prescription medications shall be  
21 provided to the prisoner as directed by a physician or designated  
22 medical authority. The prisoner shall be observed to ensure the  
23 prisoner takes the medication. The physician or designated medical  
24 authority shall be particularly aware through his or her training of

1 the impact of opiate or methadone withdrawal symptoms that may occur  
2 in regard to the mental and physical health of the prisoner. The  
3 physician or medical authority shall prescribe and administer  
4 appropriate medications to the prisoner pursuant to Section 5-204 of  
5 Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes as the medical authority deems  
6 appropriate to address those symptoms. Neither prescription nor  
7 over-the-counter medications shall be kept by a prisoner in a cell  
8 with the exception of prescribed nitroglycerin tablets and  
9 prescription inhalers. Over-the-counter medications shall not be  
10 administered without a physician's approval unless using prepackaged  
11 medications.

12 2. Medical reception information shall be recorded on a printed  
13 screening form approved by the physician or designated medical  
14 authority which shall include inquiry into:

- 15 a. current illnesses and health problems including
- 16 medications taken and any special health requirements,
- 17 b. behavioral observation, including state of
- 18 consciousness and mental status,
- 19 c. body deformities and trauma markings such as bruises,
- 20 lesions, jaundice, and ease of body movement,
- 21 d. condition of skin and visible body orifices, including
- 22 infestations, and
- 23 e. disposition or referral of prisoners to qualified
- 24 medical personnel on an emergency basis.

1           3. For purposes of this section, "physician or other licensed  
2 medical personnel" means a psychiatrist, medical doctor, osteopathic  
3 physician, physician's assistant, registered nurse, licensed  
4 practical nurse, emergency medical technician at the paramedical  
5 level or clinical nurse specialist.

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

7           Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2011.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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11           Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

12 2011.

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