

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2042

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8 An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
9 amending 57 O.S. 2011, Section 521.1, as amended by
10 Section 248, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (57 O.S. Supp.
11 2012, Section 521.1), which relates to the Reentry
12 Policy Council; modifying purpose of the Reentry
13 Policy Council; modifying membership of Council;
14 providing additional duties; providing support staff;
15 repealing 57 O.S. 2011, Section 521.2, as amended by
16 Section 249, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (57 O.S. Supp.
17 2012, Section 521.2), which relates to the
18 Transformational Justice Interagency Task Force; and
19 providing an effective date.

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

21 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 521.1, as
22 amended by Section 248, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (57 O.S. Supp.
23 2012, Section 521.1), is amended to read as follows:

24 Section 521.1 A. Upon the effective date of this act, a
Reentry Policy Council shall be created for the purpose of providing
oversight of the ~~reentry~~ criminal justice reinvestment initiative
policies and ~~programs operated by the Department of Corrections.~~

1 The Council shall consist of ~~eleven (11)~~ nine (9) members and shall
2 be appointed as follows:

3 1. Three members shall be appointed by the Governor ~~as follows:~~

- 4 a. ~~one member shall be a law enforcement officer,~~
- 5 b. ~~one member shall be a corrections official, and~~
- 6 c. ~~one member shall be a crime victim;~~

7 2. ~~Four~~ Three members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the
8 Oklahoma House of Representatives ~~as follows:~~

- 9 a. ~~one member shall be a member of the Oklahoma House of~~
10 ~~Representatives,~~
- 11 b. ~~one member shall be a representative of a faith based~~
12 ~~organization involved with the reintegration of~~
13 ~~inmates,~~
- 14 c. ~~one member shall be a person who has been previously~~
15 ~~convicted of a criminal offense in Oklahoma, and~~
- 16 d. ~~one member shall be a mental health and substance~~
17 ~~abuse official; and~~

18 3. ~~Four~~ Three members shall be appointed by the President Pro
19 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate ~~as follows:~~

- 20 a. ~~one member shall be a member of the Oklahoma State~~
21 ~~Senate,~~
- 22 b. ~~one member shall be a representative from a for-profit~~
23 ~~half-way house who specializes in reintegration of~~
24 ~~inmates,~~

- 1 e. ~~one member shall be a representative from a nonprofit~~
2 ~~entity involved with the reintegration of inmates, and~~
3 d. ~~one member shall be a district attorney, or his or her~~
4 ~~designee.~~

5 B. The Council shall:

6 1. Review corrections policies, programs and procedures to
7 ensure that the primary purpose of each is public safety during
8 imprisonment and after release;

9 2. Identify gaps in reentry programs and services as well as
10 overlapping efforts, and recommend changes to address those issues;

11 3. Review policies to ensure that corrections facilities
12 recruit and welcome volunteers;

13 4. Review the licensing procedures within this state to
14 eliminate barriers to employment that are unrelated to the conduct
15 underlying the conviction; ~~and~~

16 5. Report annually to the Legislature and the Governor on the
17 progress of the reentry initiative, including the impact on
18 recidivism, effectiveness of agency coordination and communications,
19 and the implementation of reentry plans and use of funding;

20 6. Monitor the administration and implementation of corrections
21 and criminal justice reinvestment initiatives and policies developed
22 and enacted by legislation in 2012;

23 7. Conduct an annual evaluation on the effectiveness and impact
24 of the justice reinvestment initiatives; and

1 8. Provide a copy of the evaluation to the Governor, the
2 Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the President Pro
3 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate, and the Oklahoma Department of
4 Libraries for placement on the *documents.ok.gov* website.

5 C. Staff support shall be provided to the Reentry Policy
6 Council by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

7 D. 1. Legislative members of the Council shall be reimbursed
8 for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of
9 their duties in accordance with Section 456 of Title 74 of the
10 Oklahoma Statutes from the legislative body in which they serve.

11 2. State agency employees who are members of the Council shall
12 be reimbursed for their travel expenses incurred in the performance
13 of their duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the
14 State Travel Reimbursement Act; ~~and~~.

15 3. All other Council members shall be reimbursed by the Office
16 of Management and Enterprise Services for travel expenses incurred
17 in the performance of their duties on the Council in accordance with
18 the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

19 SECTION 2. REPEALER 57 O.S. 2011, Section 521.2, as
20 amended by Section 249, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (57 O.S. Supp.
21 2012, Section 521.2), is hereby repealed.

22 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.

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