

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2490

By: Billy of the House

and

Brooks of the Senate

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11 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending
12 63 O.S. 2011, Section 942, which relates to a report
13 of findings by the medical examiner; prohibiting
14 release of report to the public prior to release to
15 certain individuals; and providing an effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 942, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 942. A. Upon completion of an investigation, the
20 medical examiner shall reduce his or her findings to writing upon
21 the form supplied to the medical examiner which shall be promptly
22 sent to the Chief Medical Examiner by mail.

23 B. Copies of reports shall be furnished by the Chief Medical
24 Examiner to investigating agencies having official interest therein.

1 C. Copies of reports shall also be furnished to the spouse of
2 the deceased or any person within one degree of consanguinity of the
3 deceased upon request and within five (5) business days of the
4 request once the cause and manner of death have been determined and
5 the death certificate has been issued.

6 D. In no event shall copies of a report be released to the
7 public prior to being released to a family member described in
8 subsection C of this section.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2014.

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11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, dated 02/19/2014 -
12 DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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