

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 20, 2013

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO.403

By: Griffin of the Senate

and

Turner of the House

6
7
8
9 An Act relating to use of electronic devices in
10 courtrooms; prohibiting use of certain devices in
11 court; providing exception; construing provision;
12 providing for codification; and providing an
13 effective date.

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
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 560 of Title 12, unless there is
17 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 Unless specifically authorized by the court, all means of
19 photographing, recording, broadcasting and televising shall be
20 prohibited in any court of this state. Unless specifically
21 authorized by the court, spectators shall not use computers,
22 cellular telephones or any other electronic devices in any court of
23 this state. This provision shall not be construed to prohibit the
24 use of electronic audio and visual devices for the presentation of

1 evidence, for making the official record of a proceeding, for
2 insuring court security, or for any other purpose authorized by the
3 court as necessary to the administration of justice.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.

5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES
6 February 20, 2013 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24