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3 SENATE BILL 424

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to shelter homes; amending 10A O.S.
8 2011, Section 2-1-103, which relates to definitions;
9 modifying definition of emergency shelters and host
10 homes as used in the Oklahoma Juvenile Code;
11 providing an effective date; and declaring an
12 emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2011, Section 2-1-103, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 2-1-103. When used in the Oklahoma Juvenile Code,
16 unless the context otherwise requires:

17 1. "Adjudicatory hearing" means a hearing to determine whether
18 the allegations of a petition filed pursuant to the provisions of
19 Chapter 2 of the Oklahoma Juvenile Code are supported by the
20 evidence and whether a juvenile should be adjudged to be a ward of
21 the court;

22 2. "Alternatives to secure detention" means those services and
23 facilities which are included in the State Plan for the
24 Establishment of Juvenile Detention Services adopted by the Board of

1 Juvenile Affairs and which are used for the temporary detention of
2 juveniles in lieu of secure detention in a juvenile detention
3 facility;

4 3. "Behavioral health" means mental health, substance abuse or
5 co-occurring mental health and substance abuse diagnoses, and the
6 continuum of mental health, substance abuse, or co-occurring mental
7 health and substance abuse treatment;

8 4. "Behavioral health facility" means a mental health or
9 substance abuse facility as provided for by the Inpatient Mental
10 Health and Substance Abuse Treatment of Minors Act;

11 5. "Board" means the Board of Juvenile Affairs;

12 6. "Child" or "juvenile" means any person under eighteen (18)
13 years of age, except for any person charged and convicted for any
14 offense specified in the Youthful Offender Act or against whom
15 judgment and sentence has been deferred for such offense, or any
16 person who is certified as an adult pursuant to any certification
17 procedure authorized in the Oklahoma Juvenile Code for any offense
18 which results in a conviction or against whom judgment and sentence
19 has been deferred for such offense;

20 7. "Child or juvenile in need of mental health and substance
21 abuse treatment" means a juvenile in need of mental health and
22 substance abuse treatment as defined by the Inpatient Mental Health
23 and Substance Abuse Treatment of Minors Act;

1 8. "Child or juvenile in need of supervision" means a juvenile
2 who:

- 3 a. has repeatedly disobeyed reasonable and lawful
4 commands or directives of the parent, legal guardian,
5 or other custodian,
- 6 b. is willfully and voluntarily absent from his home
7 without the consent of the parent, legal guardian, or
8 other custodian for a substantial length of time or
9 without intent to return,
- 10 c. is willfully and voluntarily absent from school, as
11 specified in Section 10-106 of Title 70 of the
12 Oklahoma Statutes, if the juvenile is subject to
13 compulsory school attendance, or
- 14 d. has been served with an ex parte or final protective
15 order pursuant to the Protection from Domestic Abuse
16 Act;

17 9. "Community-based" means a facility, program or service
18 located near the home or family of the juvenile, and programs of
19 community prevention, diversion, supervision and service which
20 maintain community participation in their planning, operation, and
21 evaluation. These programs may include but are not limited to
22 medical, educational, vocational, social, and psychological
23 guidance, training, counseling, alcoholism treatment, drug
24 treatment, prevention and diversion programs, diversion programs for

1 first-time offenders, transitional living, independent living and
2 other rehabilitative services;

3 10. "Community intervention center" means a facility which
4 serves as a short-term reception facility to receive and hold
5 juveniles for an alleged violation of a municipal ordinance or state
6 law, as provided for in subsection D of Section 2-7-305 of this
7 title;

8 11. "Core community-based" means the following community-based
9 facilities, programs or services provided through contract with the
10 Office of Juvenile Affairs as provided in Section 2-7-306 of this
11 title:

- 12 a. screening, evaluation and assessment which includes a
13 face-to-face screening and evaluation to establish
14 problem identification and to determine the risk level
15 of a child or adolescent and may result in clinical
16 diagnosis or diagnostic impression,
- 17 b. treatment planning which includes preparation of an
18 individualized treatment plan which is usually done as
19 part of the screening, evaluation and assessment,
- 20 c. treatment plan reviewing which includes a
21 comprehensive review and evaluation of the
22 effectiveness of the treatment plan,
- 23 d. individual counseling which includes face-to-face,
24 one-on-one interaction between a counselor and a

- juvenile to promote emotional or psychological change to alleviate the issues, problems, and difficulties that led to a referral, including ongoing assessment of the status and response of the juvenile to treatment as well as psychoeducational intervention,
- e. group counseling which includes a method of treating a group of individuals using the interaction between a counselor and two or more juveniles and/or parents or guardians to promote positive emotional or behavioral change, not including social skills development or daily living skills,
 - f. family counseling which includes a face-to-face interaction between a counselor and the family of the juvenile to facilitate emotional, psychological or behavior changes and promote successful communication and understanding,
 - g. crisis intervention counseling which includes unanticipated, unscheduled face-to-face emergency intervention provided by a licensed level or qualified staff with immediate access to a licensed provider to resolve immediate, overwhelming problems that severely impair the ability of the juvenile to function or maintain in the community,

- 1 h. crisis intervention telephone support which includes
2 supportive telephone assistance provided by a licensed
3 level provider or qualified staff with immediate
4 access to a licensed provider to resolve immediate,
5 overwhelming problems that severely impair the ability
6 of the juvenile to function or maintain in the
7 community,
- 8 i. case management which includes planned linkage,
9 advocacy and referral assistance provided in
10 partnership with a client to support that client in
11 self-sufficiency and community tenure,
- 12 j. case management and home-based services which includes
13 that part of case management services dedicated to
14 travel for the purpose of linkage, advocacy and
15 referral assistance and travel to provide counseling
16 and support services to families of children as needed
17 to support specific youth and families in self-
18 sufficiency and community tenure,
- 19 k. individual rehabilitative treatment which includes
20 face-to-face service provided one-on-one by qualified
21 staff to maintain or develop skills necessary to
22 perform activities of daily living and successful
23 integration into community life, including educational
24 and supportive services regarding independent living,

1 self-care, social skills regarding development,
2 lifestyle changes and recovery principles and
3 practices,

- 4 1. group rehabilitative treatment which includes face-to-
5 face group services provided by qualified staff to
6 maintain or develop skills necessary to perform
7 activities of daily living and successful integration
8 into community life, including educational and
9 supportive services regarding independent living,
10 self-care, social skills regarding development,
11 lifestyle changes and recovery principles and
12 practices,

- 13 m. community-based prevention services which include
14 services delivered in an individual or group setting
15 by a qualified provider designed to meet the services
16 needs of a child or youth and family of the child or
17 youth who has been referred because of identified
18 problems in the family or community. The group
19 prevention planned activities must be focused on
20 reducing the risk that individuals will experience
21 behavioral, substance abuse or delinquency-related
22 problems. Appropriate curriculum-based group
23 activities include, but are not limited to, First
24 Offender groups, prevention and relationship

enhancement groups, anger management groups, life skills groups, substance abuse education groups, smoking cessation groups, STD/HIV groups and parenting groups,

- n. individual paraprofessional services which include services delineated in the treatment plan of the juvenile which are necessary for full integration of the juvenile into the home and community, but do not require a professional level of education and experience. Activities include assisting families with Medicaid applications, assisting with school and General Educational Development (GED) enrollment, assisting youth with independent living arrangements, providing assistance with educational problems and deficiencies, acting as a role model for youth while engaging them in community activities, assisting youth in seeking and obtaining employment, providing transportation for required appointments and activities, participating in recreational activities and accessing other required community support services necessary for full community integration and successful treatment,
- o. tutoring which includes a tutor and student working together as a learning team to bring about overall

- 1 academic success, improved self-esteem and increased
2 independence as a learner for the student,
- 3 p. community relations which include public or community
4 relations activities directed toward the community or
5 public at large or any segment of the public to
6 encourage understanding, accessibility and use of
7 community-based facilities, programs or services,
- 8 q. emergency ~~shelter beds~~ shelters and shelter host homes
9 which include emergency ~~shelter care~~ living
10 accommodations twenty-four (24) hours a day for a
11 short term. For purposes of this subparagraph, "short
12 term" shall mean a period of less than ninety (90)
13 days for juveniles referred to the program needing
14 shelter care within the State of Oklahoma children and
15 youth in a crisis situation such as abandonment,
16 abuse, neglect, runaway, respite, or situations
17 requiring law enforcement or court involvement. The
18 shelter or shelter host homes may provide care,
19 education, mental health assessment and treatment,
20 counseling, recreational activities, medical care and
21 referrals needed by children and youth to minimize
22 trauma and aid the transition to a permanent
23 placement,
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- r. transitional living programs which include a structured program to help older homeless youth achieve self-sufficiency and avoid long-term dependence on social services,
- s. community-at-risk services (C.A.R.S.) which include a program provided to juveniles in custody or under the supervision of the Office of Juvenile Affairs or a juvenile bureau to prevent out-of-home placement and to reintegrate juveniles returning from placements. The program shall include, but not be limited to, treatment plan development, counseling, diagnostic and evaluation services, mentoring, tutoring, and supervision of youth in independent living,
- t. first offender programs which include alternative diversion programs, as defined by Section 2-2-404 of this title, and
- u. other community-based facilities, programs or services designated by the Board as core community-based facilities, programs or services;

12. "Day treatment" means a program which provides intensive services to juveniles who reside in their own home, the home of a relative, or a foster home. Day treatment programs include educational services and may be operated as a part of a residential facility;

1 13. "Delinquent child or juvenile" means a juvenile who:

2 a. has violated any federal or state law or municipal
3 ordinance except a traffic statute or traffic
4 ordinance or any provision of the Oklahoma Wildlife
5 Conservation Code, the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor
6 Regulation Act or the Oklahoma Boating Safety
7 Regulation Act, or has violated any lawful order of
8 the court made pursuant to the provisions of the
9 Oklahoma Juvenile Code, or

10 b. has habitually violated traffic laws, traffic
11 ordinances or boating safety laws or rules;

12 14. "Dispositional hearing" means a hearing to determine the
13 order of disposition which should be made with respect to a juvenile
14 adjudged to be a ward of the court;

15 15. "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the
16 Office of Juvenile Affairs;

17 16. "Facility" means a place, an institution, a building or
18 part thereof, a set of buildings, or an area whether or not
19 enclosing a building or set of buildings which is used for the
20 lawful custody and treatment of juveniles. A facility shall not be
21 considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions of
22 Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

23 17. "Graduated sanctions" means a calibrated system of
24 sanctions designed to ensure that juvenile offenders face uniform,

1 immediate, and consistent consequences that correspond to the
2 seriousness of each offender's current offense, prior delinquent
3 history, and compliance with prior interventions;

4 18. "Group home" means a residential facility with a program
5 which emphasizes family-style living in a homelike environment.
6 Said group home may also offer a program within the community to
7 meet the specialized treatment needs of its residents. A group home
8 shall not be considered a correctional facility subject to the
9 provisions of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

10 19. "Independent living program" means a program designed to
11 assist a juvenile to enhance skills and abilities necessary for
12 successful adult living and may include but shall not be limited to
13 minimal direct staff supervision and supportive services in making
14 the arrangements necessary for an appropriate place of residence,
15 completing an education, vocational training, obtaining employment
16 or other similar services;

17 20. "Institution" means a residential facility offering care
18 and treatment for more than twenty residents. An institution shall
19 not be considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions
20 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Said institution may:

- 21 a. have a program which includes community participation
22 and community-based services, or
- 23 b. be a secure facility with a program exclusively
24 designed for a particular category of resident;

1 21. "Juvenile detention facility" means a secure facility which
2 meets the certification standards of the Office and which is
3 entirely separate from any prison, jail, adult lockup, or other
4 adult facility, for the temporary care of children. A juvenile
5 detention facility shall not be considered a correctional facility
6 subject to the provisions of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

7 22. "Municipal juvenile facility" means a facility other than a
8 community intervention center that accepts a child under eighteen
9 (18) years of age charged with violating a municipal ordinance and
10 meets the requirements of Section 2-2-102 of this title;

11 23. "Office" means the Office of Juvenile Affairs;

12 24. "Peer Review" means an initial or annual review and report
13 to the Office of Juvenile Affairs of the organization, programs,
14 records and financial condition of a Youth Services Agency by the
15 Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, or another Oklahoma
16 nonprofit corporation whose membership consists solely of Youth
17 Services Agencies and of whom at least a majority of Youth Services
18 Agencies are members. An annual review may consist of a review of
19 one or more major areas of the operation of the Youth Services
20 Agency being reviewed;

21 25. "Person responsible for a juvenile's health or welfare"
22 includes a parent, a legal guardian, custodian, a foster parent, a
23 person eighteen (18) years of age or older with whom the juvenile's
24 parent cohabitates or any other adult residing in the home of the

1 child, an agent or employee of a public or private residential home,
2 institution or facility, or an owner, operator, or employee of a
3 child care facility as defined by Section 402 of Title 10 of the
4 Oklahoma Statutes;

5 26. "Preliminary inquiry" or "intake" means a mandatory,
6 preadjudicatory interview of the juvenile and, if available, the
7 parents, legal guardian, or other custodian of the juvenile, which
8 is performed by a duly authorized individual to determine whether a
9 juvenile comes within the purview of the Oklahoma Juvenile Code,
10 whether nonadjudicatory alternatives are available and appropriate,
11 and if the filing of a petition is necessary;

12 27. "Probation" means a legal status created by court order
13 whereby a delinquent juvenile is permitted to remain outside an
14 Office of Juvenile Affairs facility directly or by contract under
15 prescribed conditions and under supervision by the Office, subject
16 to return to the court for violation of any of the conditions
17 prescribed;

18 28. "Rehabilitative facility" means a facility maintained by
19 the state exclusively for the care, education, training, treatment,
20 and rehabilitation of juveniles in need of supervision;

21 29. "Responsible adult" means a stepparent, foster parent,
22 person related to the juvenile in any manner who is eighteen (18)
23 years of age or older, or any person having an obligation and
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1 authority to care for or safeguard the juvenile in the absence of
2 another person who is eighteen (18) years of age or older;

3 30. "Secure detention" means the temporary care of juveniles
4 who require secure custody in physically restricting facilities:

5 a. while under the continuing jurisdiction of the court
6 pending court disposition, or

7 b. pending placement by the Office of Juvenile Affairs
8 after adjudication;

9 31. "Training school" or "secure facility" means a facility,
10 maintained by the state exclusively for the care, education,
11 training, treatment, and rehabilitation of delinquent juveniles or
12 youthful offenders which relies on locked rooms and buildings, and
13 fences for physical restraint in order to control behavior of its
14 residents. A training school or secure facility shall not be
15 considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions of
16 Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

17 32. "Transitional living program" means a residential program
18 that may be attached to an existing facility or operated solely for
19 the purpose of assisting juveniles to develop the skills and
20 abilities necessary for successful adult living. Said program may
21 include but shall not be limited to reduced staff supervision,
22 vocational training, educational services, employment and employment
23 training, and other appropriate independent living skills training
24 as a part of the transitional living program; and

1 33. "Youth Services Agency" means a nonprofit corporation with
2 a local board of directors, officers and staff that has been
3 designated by the Board as a Youth Services Agency, that is peer
4 reviewed annually, and that provides community-based facilities,
5 programs or services to juveniles and their families in the youth
6 services service area in which it is located.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2013.

8 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
9 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
10 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
11 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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