

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT

TO

2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 726

By: Crain of the Senate

3 and

4 O'Donnell of the House

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7 [ domestic violence - pilot program - proceedings -  
8 domestic violence center - codification - effective  
date ]

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11 AUTHOR: Add the following House Coauthor: McDaniel (Jeannie)

12 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the stricken title, enacting clause and  
entire bill and insert

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14 "An Act relating to domestic violence; providing for  
15 creation of certain pilot program; providing for  
combination of certain proceedings; authorizing  
16 certain entities to establish multiagency,  
multidisciplinary family justice centers; stating  
17 purpose; defining term; providing scope of partner  
agencies; providing for codification; and providing  
an effective date.

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

21 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 60.30 of Title 22, unless there  
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:  
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1           Beginning on January 1, 2016, the Administrative Office of the  
2 Courts shall administer a five-year pilot program in any county with  
3 a population exceeding five hundred thousand (500,000) according to  
4 the latest Federal Decennial Census or that receives sufficient  
5 funds to implement such program, which may consist of implementation  
6 of an Integrated Domestic Violence Docket to combine, where  
7 appropriate, proceedings related to divorce, child custody, domestic  
8 violence, protective orders, and criminal and juvenile court cases.

9           SECTION 2.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 60.31 of Title 22, unless there  
11 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12           Beginning on January 1, 2016, any governmental or nonprofit  
13 entity in a county that receives sufficient funds to implement such  
14 program may establish a multiagency, multidisciplinary family  
15 justice center to assist victims of domestic violence, sexual  
16 assault, elder or dependent adult abuse, stalking and human sex  
17 trafficking to ensure that victims of abuse are able to access all  
18 needed services in one location in order to enhance victim safety  
19 and increase offender accountability. As used in this section,  
20 "family justice center" means a multiagency, multidisciplinary  
21 service center where public and private agencies partner to assign  
22 staff members on a full-time or part-time basis in order to provide  
23 services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, elder or  
24 dependent adult abuse, stalking and human sex trafficking in

1 accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of Oklahoma  
2 from one location in order to reduce the number of times victims  
3 must tell their story, reduce the number of places victims must go  
4 for help, and increase access to services and support for victims  
5 and their children. Partner agencies at a family justice center  
6 shall include domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and human  
7 sex trafficking agencies certified by the Office of the Attorney  
8 General where applicable, and may also include, but not be limited  
9 to the following: district attorney offices, state and local law  
10 enforcement agencies, public health agencies, human services  
11 agencies, and any community based or private agency that provides  
12 legal services or whose mission involves issues addressed by family  
13 justice centers.

14 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015."

15 Passed the House of Representatives the 7th day of April, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

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Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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