

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB 597</b>
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Research Analyst: Marcia Goff

The Conference Committee Substitute for SB 597 authorizes a peace officer to transport a person who has been taken into protective custody due to mental illness or drug or alcohol dependency to a facility out of state for an initial assessment or emergency detention under certain conditions.

**Fiscal Summary**

Fiscal Analyst: Mark Newman

The CCS for SB 597 is amendatory language related to mental health and substance abuse by authorizing a peace officer to take a person for an initial assessment or emergency detention to a facility in another state under certain conditions.

**Fiscal Analysis**

Based on information provided by the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS), the agency does not anticipate the CCS for SB 597 will have any impact on state appropriated funds. ODMHSAS will have to adjust some procedural matters, but the agency does not believe these changes will require additional funds or personnel. Because the travel reimbursement costs to law enforcement may be reduced by the shorter travel distances to facilities in other states, the agency may actually see some savings in certain cases.

**Long Term Fiscal Considerations**

Staff would have to review travel reimbursement costs following enactment of this legislation to determine savings actually achieved and the amount, which could be projected on an annual basis.

Fiscal Analysis Reviewed By:



House Fiscal Director