

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR ENGROSSED  
SENATE BILL NO. 1513

By: Holt of the Senate

and

Murphey of the House

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to the records of the Department of Public Safety; amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 2-110, as last amended by Section 24, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2013 (47 O.S. Supp. 2013, Section 2-110), which relates to the Department of Public Safety; providing for construction of certain provisions to make certain records not confidential; amending 51 O.S. 2011, Sections 24A.3 and 24A.8, which relate to the Oklahoma Open Records Act; modifying definition; requiring certain recordings of law enforcement agencies be available for public inspection; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 2-110, as last amended by Section 24, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2013 (47 O.S. Supp. 2013, Section 2-110), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-110. A. Officers and employees of the Department of Public Safety designated by the Commissioner, for the purpose of

1 administering the motor vehicle laws, are authorized to administer  
2 oaths and acknowledge signatures and shall do so without fee.

3 B. The Commissioner and such officers of the Department as the  
4 Commissioner may designate are hereby authorized to prepare under  
5 the seal of the Department and deliver upon request a certified copy  
6 of any record of the Department, charging a fee of Three Dollars  
7 (\$3.00) for each record so certified, and every such certified copy  
8 shall be admissible in any proceeding in any court in like manner as  
9 the original thereof. A certification fee shall be charged:

10 1. Only if the person requesting the record specifically  
11 requests that the record be certified; and

12 2. In addition to the copying and reproduction fees provided by  
13 the Oklahoma Open Records Act or any other applicable law.

14 C. The Commissioner and any other officers of the Department as  
15 the Commissioner may designate are hereby authorized to provide a  
16 copy of any record required to be maintained by the Department at no  
17 charge to any of the following government agencies when requested in  
18 the performance of official governmental duties:

19 1. The driver license agency of any other state;

20 2. Any court, district attorney or municipal prosecutor in this  
21 state or any other state;

22 3. Any law enforcement agency in this state or any other state  
23 or any federal agency empowered by law to make arrests for public  
24 offenses;

1       4. Any public school district in this state for purposes of  
2 providing the Motor Vehicle Report of a currently employed school  
3 bus driver or person making application for employment as a school  
4 bus driver;

5       5. The Department of Human Services for the purpose of  
6 providing the Motor Vehicle Report to ascertain the suitability of  
7 any person being considered by the Department of Human Services for  
8 placement of a child in foster care or for adoption of the child;

9       6. The Office of Juvenile Affairs for the purpose of providing  
10 the Motor Vehicle Report to ascertain the suitability of any person  
11 being considered by the Office of Juvenile Affairs for placement of  
12 a child in foster care;

13       7. Any nonprofit provider exempt from federal income tax  
14 pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986  
15 and contracted by the Developmental Disabilities Services Division  
16 of the Oklahoma Department of Human Services; or

17       8. Any state agency in this state.

18       D. Any record required to be maintained by the Department may  
19 be released to any other entity free of charge when the release of  
20 the record would be for the benefit of the public, as determined by  
21 the Commissioner or a designee of the Commissioner.

22       E. The following records shall be provided by the Department to  
23 any authorized recipient, pursuant to the provisions of the Driver's  
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1 Privacy Protection Act, 18 United States Code, Sections 2721 through  
2 2725, upon payment of the appropriate fees for the records:

3 1. A Motor Vehicle Report, as defined in Section 6-117 of this  
4 title; and

5 2. A copy of any driving record related to the Motor Vehicle  
6 Report.

7 F. 1. The provisions of subsections B, D, and E of this  
8 section and the Oklahoma Open Records Act shall not apply to the  
9 release of personal information from any driving record of any  
10 person. Such personal information shall be confidential except as  
11 provided for in this subsection or in the provisions of the Driver's  
12 Privacy Protection Act, 18 United States Code, Sections 2721 through  
13 2725. Upon written request to the Commissioner of Public Safety by  
14 a law enforcement agency or another state's or country's driver  
15 licensing agency for personal information on a specific individual,  
16 as named or otherwise identified in the written request, to be used  
17 in the official capacity of the agency, the Commissioner may release  
18 such personal information to the agency pursuant to the provisions  
19 of the Driver's Privacy Protection Act, 18 United States Code,  
20 Sections 2721 through 2725. Provided, the provisions of this  
21 subsection or any other provision of this title shall not be  
22 construed to keep audio or video recordings of the Department of  
23 Public Safety confidential.

2. For the purposes of this subsection, "personal information" means information which identifies a person, including but not limited to a photograph or image in computerized format of the person, fingerprint image in computerized format, signature or signature in computerized format, social security number, residence address, mailing address, and medical or disability information.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 51 O.S. 2011, Section 24A.3, is amended to read as follows:

Section 24A.3 As used in ~~this act~~ the Oklahoma Open Records Act:

1. "Record" means all documents, including, but not limited to, any book, paper, photograph, microfilm, data files created by or used with computer software, computer tape, disk, record, sound recording, film recording, video record or other material regardless of physical form or characteristic, created by, received by, under the authority of, or coming into the custody, control or possession of public officials, public bodies, or their representatives in connection with the transaction of public business, the expenditure of public funds or the administering of public property. "Record" does not mean:

- a. computer software,
- b. nongovernment personal effects,
- c. unless public disclosure is required by other laws or regulations, vehicle movement records of the Oklahoma

- 1                   Transportation Authority obtained in connection with  
2                   the Authority's electronic toll collection system,
- 3           d.   personal financial information, credit reports or  
4                   other financial data obtained by or submitted to a  
5                   public body for the purpose of evaluating credit  
6                   worthiness, obtaining a license, permit, or for the  
7                   purpose of becoming qualified to contract with a  
8                   public body,
- 9           e.   any digital audio/video recordings of the toll  
10                  collection and safeguarding activities of the Oklahoma  
11                  Transportation Authority,
- 12           f.   any personal information provided by a guest at any  
13                  facility owned or operated by the Oklahoma Tourism and  
14                  Recreation Department or the Board of Trustees of the  
15                  Quartz Mountain Arts and Conference Center and Nature  
16                  Park to obtain any service at the facility or by a  
17                  purchaser of a product sold by or through the Oklahoma  
18                  Tourism and Recreation Department or the Quartz  
19                  Mountain Arts and Conference Center and Nature Park,
- 20           g.   a Department of Defense Form 214 (DD Form 214) filed  
21                  with a county clerk, including any DD Form 214 filed  
22                  before ~~the effective date of this act~~ July 1, 2002, or  
23           h.   except as provided for in Section 2-110 of Title 47 of  
24                  the Oklahoma Statutes,

- 1                   (1) any record in connection with a Motor Vehicle  
2                   Report issued by the Department of Public Safety,  
3                   as prescribed in Section 6-117 of Title 47 of the  
4                   Oklahoma Statutes, or  
5                   (2) personal information within driver records, as  
6                   defined by the Driver's Privacy Protection Act,  
7                   18 United States Code, Sections 2721 through  
8                   2725, which are stored and maintained by the  
9                   Department of Public Safety,~~or~~  
10                  ~~(3) audio or video recordings of the Department of~~  
11                  ~~Public Safety;~~

12           2. "Public body" shall include, but not be limited to, any  
13 office, department, board, bureau, commission, agency, trusteeship,  
14 authority, council, committee, trust or any entity created by a  
15 trust, county, city, village, town, township, district, school  
16 district, fair board, court, executive office, advisory group, task  
17 force, study group, or any subdivision thereof, supported in whole  
18 or in part by public funds or entrusted with the expenditure of  
19 public funds or administering or operating public property, and all  
20 committees, or subcommittees thereof. Except for the records  
21 required by Section 24A.4 of this title, "public body" does not mean  
22 judges, justices, the Council on Judicial Complaints, the  
23 Legislature, or legislators;

1        3. "Public office" means the physical location where public  
2 bodies conduct business or keep records;

3        4. "Public official" means any official or employee of any  
4 public body as defined herein; and

5        5. "Law enforcement agency" means any public body charged with  
6 enforcing state or local criminal laws and initiating criminal  
7 prosecutions, including, but not limited to, police departments,  
8 county sheriffs, the Department of Public Safety, the Oklahoma State  
9 Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Alcoholic  
10 Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission, and the Oklahoma State Bureau  
11 of Investigation.

12        SECTION 3.        AMENDATORY        51 O.S. 2011, Section 24A.8, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14        Section 24A.8 A. Law enforcement agencies shall make available  
15 for public inspection and copying, if kept, the following records:

16        1. An arrestee description, including the name, date of birth,  
17 address, race, sex, physical description, and occupation of the  
18 arrestee;

19        2. Facts concerning the arrest, including the cause of arrest  
20 and the name of the arresting officer;

21        3. A chronological list of all incidents, including initial  
22 offense report information showing the offense, date, time, general  
23 location, officer, and a brief summary of what occurred;



1 4. Radio logs, including a chronological listing of the calls  
2 dispatched;

3 5. Conviction information, including the name of any person  
4 convicted of a criminal offense;

5 6. Disposition of all warrants, including orders signed by a  
6 judge of any court commanding a law enforcement officer to arrest a  
7 particular person;

8 7. A crime summary, including an agency summary of crimes  
9 reported and public calls for service by classification or nature  
10 and number; ~~and~~

11 8. Jail registers, including jail blotter data or jail booking  
12 information recorded on persons at the time of incarceration showing  
13 the name of each prisoner with the date and cause of commitment, the  
14 authority committing the prisoner, whether committed for a criminal  
15 offense, a description of the prisoner, and the date or manner of  
16 discharge or escape of the prisoner; and

17 9. Audio and video recordings from law enforcement vehicles;  
18 provided, the law enforcement agency may, before releasing any audio  
19 or video recording, redact or obscure specific portions of the  
20 recording which depict the death of a person or a dead body, depict  
21 any person who is nude or identify minors under the age of sixteen  
22 (16) years. Provided further, law enforcement agencies may redact  
23 or obscure specific portions of audio and video recordings depicting  
24 law enforcement officers who become subject to internal

1 investigation by the law enforcement agency until the law  
2 enforcement agency concludes the investigation. At the conclusion  
3 of the investigation and disciplinary process, the audio and video  
4 recordings shall be available for public inspection and copying.

5 B. Except for the records listed in subsection A of this  
6 section and those made open by other state or local laws, law  
7 enforcement agencies may deny access to law enforcement records  
8 except where a court finds that the public interest or the interest  
9 of an individual outweighs the reason for denial.

10 C. Nothing contained in this section imposes any new  
11 recordkeeping requirements. Law enforcement records shall be kept  
12 for as long as is now or may hereafter be specified by law. Absent  
13 a legal requirement for the keeping of a law enforcement record for  
14 a specific time period, law enforcement agencies shall maintain  
15 their records for so long as needed for administrative purposes.

16 D. Registration files maintained by the Department of  
17 Corrections pursuant to the provisions of the Sex Offenders  
18 Registration Act shall be made available for public inspection in a  
19 manner to be determined by the Department.

20 E. The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training  
21 (C.L.E.E.T.) shall keep confidential all records it maintains  
22 pursuant to Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes and  
23 deny release of records relating to any employed or certified full-  
24 time officer, reserve officer, retired officer or other person;

1 teacher lesson plans, tests and other teaching materials; and  
2 personal communications concerning individual students except under  
3 the following circumstances:

4 1. To verify the current certification status of any peace  
5 officer;

6 2. As may be required to perform the duties imposed by Section  
7 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

8 3. To provide to any peace officer copies of the records of  
9 that peace officer upon submitting a written request;

10 4. To provide, upon written request, to any law enforcement  
11 agency conducting an official investigation, copies of the records  
12 of any peace officer who is the subject of such investigation;

13 5. To provide final orders of administrative proceedings where  
14 an adverse action was taken against a peace officer; and

15 6. Pursuant to an order of the district court of the State of  
16 Oklahoma.

17 F. The Department of Public Safety shall keep confidential:

18 1. All records it maintains pursuant to its authority under  
19 Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes relating to the Oklahoma Highway  
20 Patrol Division, the Communications Division, and other divisions of  
21 the Department relating to:

22 a. training, lesson plans, teaching materials, tests, and  
23 test results,  
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- 1           b. policies, procedures, and operations, any of which are  
2           of a tactical nature, and  
3           c. the following information from radio logs:  
4           (1) telephone numbers,  
5           (2) addresses other than the location of incidents to  
6           which officers are dispatched, and  
7           (3) personal information which is contrary to the  
8           provisions of the Driver's Privacy Protection  
9           Act, 18 United States Code, Sections 2721 through  
10          2725; and

11          2. For the purpose of preventing identity theft and invasion of  
12 law enforcement computer systems, except as provided in Title 47 of  
13 the Oklahoma Statutes, all driving records.

14          SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2014.

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