



1 B. The Director of the Department of Corrections shall employ  
2 the proper personnel and adopt the necessary procedures to carry out  
3 the duties of the Investigations Division and shall appoint a  
4 Director of the Division who shall administer the activities of the  
5 Division.

6 C. The Investigations Division of the Department of Corrections  
7 shall have the jurisdiction and authority to investigate all  
8 allegations of criminal behavior at any facility owned or operated  
9 by the Department ~~of Corrections~~, or any private prison facility or  
10 other facility with which the Department ~~of Corrections~~ contracts to  
11 house inmates from the State of Oklahoma.

12 D. The Investigations Division shall have jurisdiction and  
13 authority to investigate any escape committed by prisoners under the  
14 custody and control of the Department of Corrections. If it is  
15 determined that a prisoner has escaped the custody of the  
16 Department, in violation of Section 443 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma  
17 Statutes, the Department is authorized to issue a warrant for the  
18 arrest of the escapee and the warrant shall have the force and  
19 effect of any warrant of arrest issued by a district court in the  
20 state. Nothing in this section shall affect the authority of a  
21 district attorney to issue an arrest warrant for the escapee.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2016.

23 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
24 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS,  
5 dated 04/06/2016 - DO PASS, As Amended.  
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