

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 2398

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crime victims; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 142A-13, which relates to the Oklahoma Victim's Rights Act; adding notification requirement; directing the Department of Corrections to give certain notice to the Oklahoma Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) service; providing time limitation for providing notice; prohibiting the release of inmates until notification provided; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 142A-13, is amended to read as follows:

Section 142A-13. A. Upon the granting of a parole by the Governor, and release of the inmate to the community, the Pardon and Parole Board shall provide written notification to any victim of the crime for which the parolee was convicted by mailing the notification to the last-known address of the victim, if such information is requested by the victim. The Pardon and Parole Board shall not give the address of the parolee to any victim of the crime for which the parolee was convicted.

1 B. Upon the granting of a pardon by the Governor, the Pardon
2 and Parole Board shall provide written notification to any victim of
3 the crime for which the person receiving the pardon was convicted by
4 mailing the notification to the last-known address of the victim, if
5 such information is requested by the victim. The Pardon and Parole
6 Board shall not give the address of the person receiving the pardon
7 to any victim of the crime for which the person receiving the pardon
8 was convicted.

9 C. The notification shall be made on a monthly basis by the
10 tenth day of the month following the granting of the pardon or
11 parole.

12 D. To help ensure that crime victims are guaranteed the right
13 to receive proper and timely notification of when an inmate is to be
14 released, the Department of Corrections shall be required to give
15 notice of the date of release or date of anticipated release of the
16 inmate to the service provider designated by the Attorney General of
17 the Oklahoma Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE)
18 service. The notice shall be given not less than five (5) days
19 prior to the release of the inmate. The Department of Corrections
20 shall be prohibited from releasing the inmate to the community until
21 said notification has been provided to and received by the service
22 provider of the Oklahoma VINE service.

1 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 360.1 of Title 57, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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10 service. The notice shall be given not less than five (5) days
11 prior to the release of the inmate. The Department of Corrections
12 shall be prohibited from releasing the inmate to the community until
13 said notification has been provided to and received by the service
14 provider of the Oklahoma VINE service.

15 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.

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