

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                               1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1306

By: Murdock and Jordan

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8                               COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9           An Act relating to crimes and punishments; creating  
10           the Blue Lives Matter in Oklahoma Act of 2017;  
11           amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 701.9, which relates  
12           to penalties for first and second degree murder;  
13           modifying penalty for certain first degree murder  
14           convictions; updating language; providing for  
15           noncodification; and providing an effective date.

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

17           SECTION 1.       NEW LAW       A new section of law not to be  
18           codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

19           This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Blue Lives  
20           Matter in Oklahoma Act of 2017".

21           SECTION 2.       AMENDATORY       21 O.S. 2011, Section 701.9, is  
22           amended to read as follows:

23           Section 701.9 A. A person who is convicted of or pleads guilty  
24           or nolo contendere to murder in the first degree shall be punished  
          by death, by imprisonment for life without parole or by imprisonment

1 for life. A person who is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo  
2 contendere to murder in the first degree, as described in subsection  
3 E of Section 701.7 of this title, shall be punished by death or by  
4 life without parole and absent an overwhelming amount of mitigating  
5 evidence shall not be entitled to or afforded the benefit of  
6 receiving imprisonment for life or deferment of the sentence.

7 B. A person who is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo  
8 contendere to murder in the second degree shall be guilty of a  
9 felony punishable by imprisonment in ~~a state penal institution~~ the  
10 custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than ten (10)  
11 years nor more than life.

12 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY - CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND  
15 CORRECTIONS, dated 02/16/2017 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.  
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