

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018)

4 HOUSE BILL 3469

 By: Jordan

8 AS INTRODUCED

9 An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
10 establishing early warning system program known as an
11 Inmate Alert for the citizens of Oklahoma; providing
12 for the adoption of policies and issuance of
13 directives; providing for codification; and providing
14 an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 510.11 of Title 57, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. To aid in the identification and location of an inmate who
19 has escaped from the custody of a prison or jail facility, an early
20 warning system program known as an "Inmate Alert" shall be developed
21 by the Department of Corrections to help locate escaped inmates.

22 B. The Inmate Alert early warning system program shall be a
23 coordinated effort among the Department of Corrections, Oklahoma
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1 Department of Public Safety, local law enforcement agencies and
2 media officials.

3 C. The Director of the Department of Corrections shall be the
4 statewide coordinator of the Inmate Alert early warning system and
5 shall:

6 1. Adopt policies and issue directives as necessary to ensure
7 proper implementation of the alert. The policies and directives
8 shall include:

- 9 a. the procedures for local law enforcement agencies to
10 follow in initiating a statewide inmate alert,
- 11 b. the method whereby information is distributed to
12 statewide media outlets,
- 13 c. the procedures for the receipt and evaluation of
14 information received from the public about the escaped
15 inmate, and
- 16 d. the procedure for the termination of an inmate alert;
17 and

18 2. Coordinate with local and statewide media outlets for the
19 rapid and accurate announcement of an escaped inmate alert to the
20 public.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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23 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 02/27/2018 - DO PASS.
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