

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

4 ENGROSSED SENATE
5 BILL NO. 690

By: David of the Senate

and

Moore of the House

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9 An Act relating to social work; directing State
10 Regents for Higher Education, Adjutant General and
11 schools of social work to collaborate for certain
12 purposes; directing promulgation of rules; providing
13 for codification; providing an effective date; and
14 declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2059 of Title 63, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. The State Regents for Higher Education, Oklahoma Military
20 Department, and schools of social work in this state shall develop a
21 Guard Advocacy Program (GAP) for Oklahoma National Guard soldiers
22 and airmen. The Program shall include curricula designed to:

23 1. Facilitate and improve access to community resources that
24 improve health;

2. Increase social support;

1 3. Increase productivity; and

2 4. Prevent life-skills and life-crisis issues from developing
3 into behavioral health emergencies.

4 B. The information, records, materials and reports related to
5 the provision of services authorized under subsection A of this
6 section shall remain confidential and contain privileged
7 information. Such records, materials and reports shall not be open
8 to public inspection nor their contents disclosed.

9 C. The State Regents for Higher Education, the Adjutant General
10 and the State Board of Licensed Social Workers shall promulgate
11 rules to implement the provisions of this act.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2017.

13 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
14 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
15 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
16 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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18 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET, dated
19 04/17/2017 - DO PASS.
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