

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

3 SENATE BILL 826

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to reintegration; creating a task  
8 force to study the consideration of creating a  
9 partnership between the Department of Corrections,  
10 the Oklahoma prison system and the Oklahoma State  
11 Regents for Higher Education to order to provide  
12 education opportunities for individuals incarcerated  
13 offenders once they are released from prison;  
14 providing expiration date; setting duties; providing  
15 for membership; providing for naming of chair;  
16 providing for quorum; providing for frequency of  
17 meetings; subjecting meetings to the Oklahoma Open  
18 Meeting Act; providing that members receive no  
19 compensation or travel reimbursement; providing for  
20 staff support; providing for noncodification; and  
21 providing an effective date.

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

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

28 A. There is hereby created until December 31, 2018, a task  
29 force to research the consideration of creating a partnership  
30 between the Department of Corrections, the Oklahoma prison system  
31 and the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education to

1 order to provide education opportunities for individuals  
2 incarcerated offenders once they are released from prison.

3 B. The task force shall be comprised of nine (9) members to be  
4 appointed as follows:

5 1. Two members appointed by the Governor;

6 2. Two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
7 Senate;

8 3. Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
9 Representatives;

10 4. A member representing the Department of Corrections;

11 5. A member representing the faith based community of this  
12 state; and

13 6. A member representing the Oklahoma Department of Career and  
14 Technology Education.

15 The chair of the task force shall be selected by the Governor.

16 C. A quorum of the task force shall be required to approve any  
17 final action of the task force. For purposes of this section, five  
18 (5) members shall constitute a quorum.

19 D. The task force may meet as often as may be required in order  
20 to perform the duties imposed upon it. The chair shall call the  
21 first meeting and all subsequent meetings shall be made at the call  
22 of the chair.

23 E. The meetings of the task force shall be subject to the  
24 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

1 F. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation or  
2 travel reimbursement.

3 G. Staff support shall be provided by the Senate.

4 H. The task force shall submit a report of its findings and  
5 recommendations by December 15, 2018, to the Governor, the President  
6 Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
7 Representatives.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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