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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Department of Human Services;
creating the Breanne Bell Act; amending 10 O.S. 2011,
Section 1430.3, which relates to the Group Homes for
Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities
Act; deleting references to obsolete entity;
requiring signature of form notifying care staff of
certain criminal penalties; mandating notification
for caretaker working with incapacitated persons or
vulnerable adults; providing for noncodification;
providing for codification; and providing an
effective date.

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

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

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Breanne Bell
Act".

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2011, Section 1430.3, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 1430.3 The Department of Human Services shall have the
power and duty to:

1 1. Enforce any provision of the Group Homes for Persons with
2 Developmental or Physical Disabilities Act;

3 2. Issue, renew, deny, modify, suspend, and revoke licenses for
4 group homes pursuant to the provisions of the Group Homes for
5 Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities Act; provided,
6 however, providers of group home services that have a current
7 contract with the Developmental Disabilities Services Division or
8 the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to provide group home services
9 shall be deemed to be licensed;

10 3. Establish and enforce standards and requirements for
11 licensure and operation of group homes that are subject to the
12 provisions of the Group Homes for Persons with Developmental or
13 Physical Disabilities Act and require the submission of, and to
14 review, reports from any person establishing or operating a group
15 home;

16 4. Enter upon any public or private property for the purpose of
17 inspecting and investigating conditions of the residents in the
18 group home or for the purpose of inspecting and investigating the
19 home for compliance with the provisions of the Group Homes for
20 Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities Act, or the
21 standards or requirements for licensure and operation of group homes
22 developed by the Department pursuant to the provisions of the Group
23 Homes for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities Act;

1 5. Employ or designate personnel to conduct investigations and
2 inspections, to make reports of the condition of group homes and the
3 residents of such homes, and to take necessary action pursuant to
4 the provisions of the Group Homes for Persons with Developmental or
5 Physical Disabilities Act to protect and safeguard the health,
6 safety, and welfare of residents of homes;

7 6. Establish a procedure for receipt, investigation, and
8 resolution of complaints regarding a group home or concerning the
9 condition, care, and treatment of a resident of a home, a copy of
10 which procedure shall be distributed to all providers of group home
11 services and licensees;

12 7. Report to the district attorney having jurisdiction or the
13 Attorney General any act committed by a provider, licensee,
14 administrator, operator, or employee of a group home which may
15 constitute a misdemeanor pursuant to the provisions of the Group
16 Homes for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities Act;

17 8. Advise, consult, and cooperate with other agencies of this
18 state, the federal government, other states and interstate agencies,
19 and with affected groups and political subdivisions to further the
20 purposes of the provisions of the Group Homes for Persons with
21 Developmental or Physical Disabilities Act;

22 9. Develop and enforce rules ~~subject to the approval of the~~
23 ~~Commission for Human Services~~ to implement the provisions of the
24 Group Homes for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities

1 Act. Such rules shall include, but not be limited to, physical
2 conditions which shall protect the health, safety, and welfare of
3 the residents in a group home as outlined in the Group Homes for
4 Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities Act, safe
5 storage and administration of medications, health-related services
6 as defined in Section 1020 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
7 rights of group home residents and competency-based training
8 requirements for group home staff;

9 10. Investigate, request or otherwise obtain the information
10 necessary to determine the qualifications and background of an
11 applicant for licensure or contract;

12 11. Establish civil penalties for violations of the provisions
13 of the Group Homes for Persons with Developmental or Physical
14 Disabilities Act ~~as authorized by the Commission~~ pursuant to the
15 provisions of the Group Homes for Persons with Developmental or
16 Physical Disabilities Act;

17 12. Institute and maintain or intervene in any action or
18 proceeding where deemed necessary by the Department to protect the
19 health, safety, and welfare of any resident of a group home;

20 13. Transfer or discharge a resident or otherwise protect the
21 health, safety, and welfare of any resident of a group home; and

22 14. Develop and disseminate a form to all providers of group
23 home services which shall be signed by each direct care staff member
24 working with residents notifying the staff member of the criminal

1 penalties for having a sexual relationship with a person in their
2 care as provided in Section 843.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma
3 Statutes; and

4 15. Exercise all incidental powers as necessary and proper for
5 the administration of the Group Homes for Persons with Developmental
6 or Physical Disabilities Act.

7 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 10-113 of Title 43A, unless
9 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 The Department of Human Services shall develop and disseminate a
11 form to all providers of residential or vocational and employment
12 services for incapacitated persons or vulnerable adults which shall
13 be signed by each caretaker working with incapacitated persons or
14 vulnerable adults notifying the caretaker of the criminal penalties
15 for having a sexual relationship with a person in their care as
16 provided in Section 843.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

17 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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