BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB 1306
Version: CS
Request Number: 6928
Author: Rep. Murdock
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Impact: Possible increase in DOC incarceration rates

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HB 1305 creates the Blue Lives Matter in Oklahoma Act of 2017 and provides that any person convicted of, or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to murder in the first degree and the victim was a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or corrections employee shall be punished by death or by life without parole absent an overwhelming amount of mitigating evidence.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS on HB 1306 would automatically make the penalty for first degree murder of a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or corrections employee by an adult who pleads guilty or nolo contendere, death or life without parole.

The current penalty options for this crime are: life in prison or life without parole. If parole is not prohibited by the sentence, a person does not become eligible for such until at least 85% of his or her crime has been served.

This would not allow those incarcerated to be paroled under any circumstances and contingent upon the amount of people who commit this crime, could increase the number of incarcerations in the custody of OK DOC.

Currently it costs DOC an average of \$52.24/day to incarcerate an individual.

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Other Considerations

None.

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