1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)
3	HOUSE BILL 3526 By: Goodwin
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6	<u>AS INTRODUCED</u>
7	An Act relating to children; allowing safety plan placements to receive payments; requiring Department
8	of Human Services to provide references to resources; creating time limit for processing; providing for
9	codification; and providing an effective date.
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L2	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
L3	SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
L 4	in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-9-125 of Title 10A, unless
L5	there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
L6	A. When a child has been placed with a relative or other
L7	individual pursuant to a safety plan, as created by the Department
18	of Human Services with the family or by any other temporary
L9	placement through the Department, the person with whom the child is
20	placed shall be eligible to receive the same payment and services as
21	a kinship foster parent under Section 1-9-106 of Title 10A of the
22	Oklahoma Statutes.
23	B. Upon initial contact for placement of a child, the
24	Department shall immediately provide the family with the necessary

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    applications and contracts to receive payment at the full foster
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    care rate for the care of the child and any other benefits that
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    might be available to foster parents, whether monetary or in
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    services. After the necessary applications and contracts are
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    completed by the family and received by the Department, the
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    Department shall process the application and remit payment to the
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    family within fifteen (15) business days.
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        SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.
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