

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

SENATE BILL NO.613

By: Jech

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Department of Corrections;  
amending 57 O.S. 2011, Section 507, which relates to  
the powers and duties of the Director; modifying  
certain allowable duties; updating statutory  
references; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 507, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 507. The Director shall be the executive officer of the  
Department and shall have the following general powers and duties:

(a) To supervise the activities of the Department and, subject  
to the policies established by the Board, to act for the Department  
in all matters, except as may be otherwise provided in ~~this act~~ the  
Oklahoma Corrections Act of 1967.

(b) To prescribe rules and regulations for the operation of the  
Department, consistent with the general policies established by the  
Board.

1 (c) To appoint and fix the duties and salaries of such  
2 personnel for the Department as may be necessary to administer and  
3 carry out the provisions of ~~this act~~ the Oklahoma Corrections Act of  
4 1967. The Department and the employees thereof, except the members  
5 of the Board and the Director shall be subject to the provisions of  
6 the State Merit System of Personnel Administration, but the Governor  
7 may by Executive Order exempt positions therefrom as authorized by  
8 Section 802 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, except as may be  
9 otherwise provided in ~~this act~~ the Oklahoma Corrections Act of 1967.

10 (d) To accept, use, disburse and administer grants, allotments,  
11 gifts, devises, bequests, appropriations and other monies and  
12 property offered or given to the Department, or any component or  
13 agency thereof, by any agency of the federal government or any  
14 corporation or individual for the use of the Department.

15 (e) To apply to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for  
16 authorization to pilot a program using either a managed access  
17 contraband interdiction system or a detection contraband  
18 interdiction system to combat the illegal use of cellular and  
19 electronic communication devices within the statewide network of  
20 prisons in Oklahoma.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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