

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2351 _____
Of the printed Bill
Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by
inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: Mark Lawson

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

PROPOSED COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2351

By: Lawson

PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to children and the Juvenile Code;
amending 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-4-703, which
relates to investigation of home conditions;
requiring a court hearing; instructing the court to
assess report and make certain determinations; and
providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-4-703, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 1-4-703. A. After a petition has been filed, the court
may order the child to be examined and evaluated by a physician or
other appropriate professional to aid the court in making the proper
disposition concerning the child. The court may order a behavioral
health evaluation of a child as provided by the Inpatient Mental
Health and Substance Abuse Treatment of Minors Act.

B. After adjudication and at the request of a judge in any
juvenile proceeding, the Department of Human Services shall

1 investigate the home conditions and environment of the child and the
2 financial ability, occupation and earning capacity of the parent,
3 legal guardian or custodian of the child. Upon request by the court
4 of another state, the Department may conduct a similar
5 investigation.

6 C. Within sixty (60) days of the start of each placement of a
7 child in a qualified residential treatment program as defined in
8 Section 1-1-105 of this title, the court shall conduct a hearing to:

9 1. Consider the assessment, determination and documentation
10 made by the qualified individual conducting the assessment and
11 submitted as part of the Department's written report;

12 2. Determine whether the needs of the child can be met through
13 placement in a foster family home or, if not, determine whether
14 placement of the child in a qualified residential treatment program
15 provides the most effective and appropriate level of care for the
16 child in the least restrictive environment;

17 3. Determine whether the child's current placement is
18 consistent with the short-term and long-term goals for the child, as
19 specified in the permanency plan for the child; and

20 4. Approve or disapprove the placement.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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