An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 1753

By: Crosswhite Hader of the House

and

Haste of the Senate

An Act relating to prisons and reformatories; amending 57 O.S. 2011, Section 400, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 41, O.S.L. 2019 (57 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 400), which relates to inmates in need of psychiatric care; deleting directive to certain entity; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Prisons and reformatories

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 400, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 41, O.S.L. 2019 (57 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 400), is amended to read as follows:

Section 400. A. The Department of Corrections is hereby authorized to establish units at one or more institutions for the care and treatment of inmates who are or become in need of acute psychiatric care. The Department shall have the following powers and duties in the operation thereof:

1. The Department shall establish procedures to outline means of identification of inmates who are or become in need of acute psychiatric care and for assignment of such inmates to the units described in this subsection. Prior to assignment there shall be a due process hearing conducted by the Department of Corrections to determine whether the inmate is in need of acute psychiatric care. The inmate shall be entitled to have a staff representative appointed to represent him or her the inmate, if he or she so 2. Once an inmate has been assigned to a unit described in this subsection, treatment and medication may be administered to the inmate as provided in Section 5-204 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. The Carl Albert Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Center shall provide to the Department of Corrections a psychiatrist as needed to assist in a unit described in subsection A of this section.

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

Passed the House of Representatives the 2nd day of March, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 15th day of April, 2021.

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