

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 95

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to infant mortality; requiring certain individuals to conduct certain investigation and fill out certain form; requiring the State Department of Health to retain copy of form for specified purpose and provide copy of form to the Child Death Review Board; providing for codification; defining term; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-317d of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. When the death of an infant occurs in this state and the cause of death is considered undetermined, a medical examiner shall conduct a sudden unexplained infant death investigation (SUIDI) not more than forty-eight (48) hours after the death has occurred. The medical examiner or a medical examiner investigator currently certified by the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators shall interview the parent, legal guardian or caregiver of, or person who last had contact with, the deceased infant and shall fill out the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's SUIDI reporting

1 form accordingly. The State Department of Health shall retain a  
2 copy of each completed SUIDI reporting form in order to compile  
3 accurate and reliable data on SUIDI to aid and inform the policies  
4 of the Department, and the Department shall provide a copy of each  
5 completed SUIDI reporting form to the Child Death Review Board.

6 B. As used in this section, "medical examiner" means the Chief  
7 Medical Examiner, the Deputy Chief Medical Examiner or a medical  
8 examiner appointed by the Chief Medical Examiner pursuant to Section  
9 937 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

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

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