

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 3303

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
8 creating the Oklahoma Prison Modernization Task
9 Force; stating duties and purpose of the Task Force;
10 stating membership of the Task Force; requiring
11 organizational meeting to be held by certain date;
12 providing for the selection of a chair and vice-
13 chair; providing meeting requirements; stating what
14 constitutes a quorum; making meetings subject to the
15 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act; providing for travel
16 reimbursement; providing administrative support for
17 the Task Force; directing the Task Force to submit
18 report to certain state officials; providing for
19 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 521.3 of Title 57, unless there
19 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Prison Modernization
21 Task Force, hereinafter referred to as the "Task Force". The Task
22 Force shall:
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1 1. Study, identify, and make recommendations on transforming
2 selected minimum, medium, and maximum security-level prison
3 facilities into technology centers;

4 2. Study, identify, and make recommendations on minimum,
5 medium, and maximum security-level prison facilities that will not
6 be transformed into technology centers and will instead house
7 inmates who refuse to participate in vocational training programs;

8 3. Study, identify, and make recommendations on how the
9 Department of Corrections will coordinate with workforce programs to
10 train inmates for skills needed in Oklahoma;

11 4. Study, identify, and make recommendations on establishing,
12 developing, and improving correctional industries' programs with the
13 cooperation and assistance of various public and private agencies;

14 5. Study, identify, and make recommendations on providing
15 meaningful and relevant work opportunities for inmates through the
16 utilization of technology centers; and

17 6. Study, identify, and make recommendations on community
18 supervision programs for inmates released from the custody of the
19 Department of Corrections, which may include the use of global
20 positioning system (GPS) technologies.

21 B. The Task Force shall be comprised of seven (7) members, to
22 be selected as follows:

23 1. The Director of the Department of Corrections, or designee;
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1 2. The Executive Director of the Pardon and Parole Board, or
2 designee;

3 3. The State Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and
4 Technology Education;

5 4. Two members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, to be
6 appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives;
7 and

8 5. Two members of the Oklahoma State Senate, to be appointed by
9 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

10 C. The Task Force shall hold an organizational meeting not
11 later than December 1, 2022, and shall select from its membership a
12 chair and vice-chair. The Task Force shall elect any other officers
13 during the first meeting and upon a vacancy in any office.

14 D. The chair shall call the first meeting, and all subsequent
15 meetings shall be made at the call of the chair. The Task Force may
16 meet as often as may be required in order to perform the duties
17 imposed upon it.

18 E. A quorum of the Task Force shall be required to approve any
19 final action and recommendation of the Task Force. For purposes of
20 this section, four members of the Task Force shall constitute a
21 quorum.

22 F. The meetings of the Task Force shall be subject to the
23 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.
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1 G. The members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation,
2 but travel reimbursement may be provided by their respective
3 organizations within the limits provided for state employees in the
4 State Travel Reimbursement Act.

5 H. Administrative support for the Task Force shall be provided
6 by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

7 I. The Task Force shall submit a report of its findings and
8 recommendations annually by December 31, 2023, and the same day each
9 year thereafter, to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the
10 Oklahoma State Senate, and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
11 Representatives.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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