BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: HB2567
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

HB 2567 as introduced, allows the Department of Corrections (DOC) to develop a hospice care training program within the state prison system. The measure allows DOC to partner with the Oklahoma State Department of Health and the Oklahoma Department of Career Education and Technology to determine program requirements.

The measure requires the State Department of Health to oversee the applicant review process to determine if inmates are eligible or not for licensure after completion of the program.

Program curriculum for training inmates is required to be jointly approved by the Department of Corrections, the Oklahoma State Department of Health, and the Department of Career Education and Technology. Curriculum must have required credits for each subject and practical skills instruction. The measure requires training instruction by licensed health care professionals.

After successful completion of the training program, inmates are required to receive a program completion certificate from the Department of Corrections. The measure requires development of processes to submit notice of training completion and application for licensure. The measure requires promulgation of rules by the appropriate departments and to provide continuing education requirements. The measure does not guarantee employment to inmates with any licensed hospice provider.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.