

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 1344 clarifies that Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) must complete education and training courses in accordance with national and Oklahoma CASA standards. Any person applying to be a CASA volunteer or to be employed by a local program must go through a child welfare records search. The records search will use the Child Abuse and Neglect Information System maintained by the Department of Human Services. Additionally, the measure eliminates the requirement for the Oklahoma Court-Appointed Special Advocate Association to pay the fees for the criminal history records search.

House Amendments

HA's to the measure adds language requiring CASA applicants to go through a child welfare records search using a database maintained by DHS and clarifying language relating to Oklahoma CASA standards.

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