

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

HOUSE BILL 3145

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to quarantine protocols; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-504, which relates to quarantine procedures; clarifying language; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-505, which relates to the removal of quarantined individual; modifying policy; repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Sections 1-506 and 1-507; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-504, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-504. A. Whenever a local health officer determines or suspects that a person has been exposed to and may be incubating a communicable disease of public health concern, the local health officer may impose a quarantine upon such person and require such person to remain out of public contact and in the place or premises where such person usually stays. Notice thereof shall be given in accordance with the rules and regulations of the State Board of Health. It shall be unlawful for such person, or any other person, to violate the terms or conditions of the quarantine.

1 B. Whenever a local health officer determines or suspects that  
2 a person has a communicable disease of public health concern, the  
3 local health officer may impose isolation upon such person and  
4 require such person to remain out of public contact and in an  
5 adequate treatment facility or in the place or premises where such  
6 person usually stays. Notice thereof shall be given in accordance  
7 with the rules and regulations of the State Board of Health. It  
8 shall be unlawful for such person, or any other person, to violate  
9 the terms or conditions of the isolation.

10 C. No person having a communicable disease shall be permitted  
11 to attend a private or public school. It shall be the duty of the  
12 parent or guardian of such person to exclude from the school such  
13 person until the expiration of the period of isolation or quarantine  
14 ordered for the case, or until permission to do so shall have been  
15 given by the local county health department or the State Department  
16 of Health.

17 D. District courts shall be authorized to grant injunctive  
18 relief, including temporary injunctions and temporary restraining  
19 orders, to overturn or compel compliance with a quarantine or  
20 isolation order issued by a local health officer pursuant to this  
21 section.

22 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-505, is  
23 amended to read as follows:  
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1       Section 1-505. ~~A local health officer may cause any person in~~  
2 ~~his jurisdiction, found to be infected with a~~ No person having a  
3 ~~communicable disease, to be removed to a hospital or other place for~~  
4 ~~the reception of infected persons, unless such person be sick in his~~  
5 ~~own place of residence or cannot be moved without danger to his life~~  
6 shall be compelled to be moved from the place where he or she is  
7 sick, to any place other than his or her own place of residence.

8       SECTION 3.       REPEALER       63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-506, is  
9 hereby repealed.

10       SECTION 4.       REPEALER       63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-507, is  
11 hereby repealed.

12       SECTION 5. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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