

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                               1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1546

By: Moore of the House

and

**Jech** of the Senate

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10                               COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11           An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;  
12           directing the Department of Corrections to create and  
13           establish an Orange Alert communication system;  
14           requiring posting of information about the  
15           communication system in local newspaper; requiring  
16           residents to register for notifications; directing  
17           the Department to promulgate policies; providing for  
18           codification; and providing an effective date.

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

20           SECTION 1.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
21           in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 701 of Title 57, unless there is  
22           created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23           A.   The Department of Corrections shall create for each  
24           correctional facility, county jail, and municipal jail within the  
25           State of Oklahoma an "Orange Alert" communication system to notify  
26           any resident within a radius of forty (40) miles when a prisoner of

1 a facility has escaped. Information regarding how to register for  
2 an "Orange Alert" via the communication system shall be posted in a  
3 newspaper of record within the county in which the facility is  
4 located. It shall be the responsibility of each resident to  
5 register to receive "Orange Alert" notifications from the  
6 communication system.

7 B. The Department of Corrections shall promulgate policies for  
8 establishing a statewide "Orange Alert" communication system.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS,  
12 dated 02/15/2023 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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