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Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to HB 3671 allows a person to voluntarily designate on their driver license or identification card that the person has been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. The cardholder can choose to have the designation displayed on the driver license or identification card or in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Telecommunications System. Service Oklahoma is to establish and maintain an automated statewide registry accessible by law enforcement officers for the purposes of identifying and effectively communicating with a person who has been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. The Department of Public Safety, in consultation with Service Oklahoma, the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training, and the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, and other entities with expertise in autism, is to develop a program to assist and train law enforcement officers to identify and effectively communicate with a person who has been diagnosed with an effectively communicate with a person who has been diagnosed with service Oklahoma, the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training, and the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, and other entities with expertise in autism, is to develop a program to assist and train law enforcement officers to identify and effectively communicate with a person who has been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 3671 allows an individual to voluntarily designate on a driver license or state identification card that the individual has been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. Per Service Oklahoma, the addition of this designation would have no fiscal considerations for the agency. This measure also requires the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to develop a training program for law enforcement officers related to effective communication with said individuals. Per DPS, this type of training is already in use; therefore, there is no anticipated fiscal impact to the agency as well.

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Other Considerations

None.

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