

BILL SUMMARY
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Impact:	OSDH: \$225,000

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HB 3757 establishes the Oklahoma Jail Standards Act and provides the standards to be utilized by all detention facilities in the state. The measure authorizes the State Department of Health to promulgate rules to implement the Oklahoma Jail Standards Act. The measure directs inspections of detention facilities are to be limited to the specific requirements of the Oklahoma Jail Standards Act or rules. The measure requires that detention facilities must have staff available to perform sensitive functions and procedures as necessary to accommodate inmate gender. A county or municipality that operates a detention facility may request a waiver from any provision of the Oklahoma Jail Standards Act or any rules upon a showing that application of such provision would impose undue hardship upon the county or municipality or upon the inmates held at the facility. The measure provides definitions to be used in the Oklahoma Jail Standards Act.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure would create new responsibilities for the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) related to the inspection of certain correctional facilities. Officials with the OSDH estimate that they will seek funding for an additional 1-2 FTE for support and legal services to handle the waiver appeals process. House staff estimates \$225,000 to cover the costs of such OSDH staffing needs.

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Other Considerations

None.