## **BILL SUMMARY**

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## **Research Analysis**

Engrossed Senate Bill 1756 requires the court to make a written determination of the fitness of a volunteer who shall observe and oversee visitation. The determination shall include a national criminal history check conducted by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, a sworn affidavit from the volunteer accepting the rules of supervision, and any testimony by the potential volunteer or other witness testimony deemed necessary by the court to determine the fitness of the volunteer. Such a volunteer shall see and hear all interactions between the supervised parent and the child. The measure provides that if the court determines the supervised parent is exhibiting suicidal or violent behavior, it may require all supervised visitation to occur in a professional setting unless and until the supervised parent has submitted a non-self-reporting psychological evaluation to the court.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

SB 1756 requires written court determinations for certain volunteer approvals relating to the Oklahoma Child Supervised Visitation Program. The measure also adds a guardianship determination element for the court to consider. After communication with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, the measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

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