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Bill Analysis

SB 1407 authorizes the Department of Public Safety to create and administer Oklahoma child abduction response teams (OCARTs). OCARTs shall be created by the Commissioner in coordination with federal, state, tribal, county, municipal law enforcement agencies, and appropriate social services agencies. Each member of the OCART shall be responsible for its own acts or omissions under The Governmental Tort Claims Act, but is otherwise exempt from the provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act when activated. The Commissioner may accept donations in support of the OCART programs. Property received by the Commissioner shall be held in trust by the Department. Additionally, the Commissioner may employ a coordinator for the various OCART committees. Each committee shall be created by the Commissioner, with its boundaries and location determined by the Commissioner. Membership of the committee shall be comprised of various law enforcement representatives outlined in the measure. OCART committees shall develop their own plan for mounting a coordinated response to a verified child abduction. Law enforcement shall notify the applicable OCART committee within 4 hours of receiving a report of a verified child abduction. Law enforcement agencies are authorized to utilize automated license plate readers (ALPRs) in carrying out a coordinated response to a verified child abduction.

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