

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2513
Version:	SAHB
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Author:	Rep. Pittman
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Impact:	See below

Research Analysis

The Senate Amendments to HB 2513 add Senate coauthors and restores the title.

HB 2513 creates the Handle With Care (HWC) program, which shall coordinate with the Oklahoma School Security Institute. The program enables a law enforcement officer to notify the program when a child is exposed to a traumatic event. The program is required to work with local communities to administer a hotline, email, or other pathway allowing law enforcement to provide the relevant information. The Oklahoma School Security Institute, in coordination with community coalitions and partner state and local first responder agencies, shall provide model protocol and training for the HWC Oklahoma program. The measure prohibits the information provided from including details about the traumatic event unless there is imminent threat to the safety of the child or school.

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Fiscal Analysis

As written, the measure requires that the Legislature shall appropriate funds to support the implementation and operation of the Handle With Care Oklahoma program, however, it does not specify an amount. The program shall be coordinated through the Oklahoma School Security Institute in collaboration with key partners such as, but not limited to, other state and local first responder agencies, school districts, community coalitions, the State Department of Education, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the Department of Human Services, and the State Department of Health.

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Other Considerations

None.