

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB1581 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Amendment submitted by: Mark Lawson \_\_\_\_\_

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
4 SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1581

By: Lawson

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8 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 <StartFT>An Act relating to children; amending 10A  
10 O.S. 2021, Sections 1-9-104 and 1-9-104a, which  
11 relates to the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account;  
12 authorizing the Department of Human Services to  
13 allocate monies directly or through a contracted  
14 entity; modifying provisions related to the  
15 disbursement of funds by the Oklahoma Commission on  
16 Children and Youth; removing requirement to provide  
17 monthly documentation; authorizing the Department to  
18 enter into a contract with an eligible entity;  
19 modifying date; authorizing the Department or an  
20 entity the Department is contracted with to  
21 administer the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account  
22 fund; authorizing a qualifying entity to contract  
23 with eligible providers; and providing an effective  
24 date.<EndFT>

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2021, Section 1-9-104, is  
amended to read as follows:

1 Section 1-9-104. A. The Department of Human Services shall  
2 allocate monies available in the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary  
3 Account (CAMA), either directly or through a contracted entity, to:

4 1. The Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Team Account (CAMTA) Fund  
5 created by Section 1-9-103a of this title. Monies made available to  
6 the CAMTA shall be used for the purposes of funding one functioning  
7 freestanding multidisciplinary child abuse team in each county of  
8 this state, utilizing the funding distributions as provided in  
9 subsection B of this section;

10 2. One hospital team pursuant to subsection E of Section 1-9-  
11 102 of this title; and

12 3. One child advocacy center, accredited by the National  
13 Children's Alliance, per district attorney's district. A child  
14 advocacy center shall:

15 a. be eligible for Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account  
16 (CAMA) funding upon accreditation by the National  
17 Children's Alliance,

18 b. secure a third-year interim review to determine  
19 whether the child advocacy center continues to meet  
20 the National Children's Alliance standards in effect  
21 at the time of its last accreditation. If a child  
22 advocacy center fails the third-year review, the  
23 center shall remain eligible for CAMA funding, but  
24 shall have another review conducted in the fourth

1 year. If the child advocacy center fails the fourth-  
2 year review, the center shall be ineligible to receive  
3 CAMA funding until such time as the center receives  
4 reaccreditation from the National Children's Alliance,  
5 and

6 c. remain the center for the district attorney's district  
7 as long as the center is accredited and eligibility is  
8 maintained pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-9-  
9 102 of this title. If a center does not remain  
10 eligible pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-9-102  
11 of this title, endorsement by the district attorney as  
12 the child advocacy center for the district may be  
13 sought by any entity beginning with the calendar year  
14 after the center is determined to be ineligible. The  
15 two centers in district number (4) and district number  
16 (13) that were accredited as of May 17, 2005, shall  
17 continue to receive funding at the nonurban level.  
18 Should one of the exempted centers close or no longer  
19 meet the criteria for a child advocacy center pursuant  
20 to the provisions of Section 1-9-102 of this title,  
21 the center shall not be allowed to reopen in that  
22 district or to receive CAMA funds. The remaining  
23 center shall become the sole child advocacy center for  
24 the district attorney's district.

1 B. Funding distribution pursuant to the provisions of this  
2 section shall be determined:

3 1. By multiplying the number of applicants in each category by  
4 the corresponding weight as follows:

- 5 a. freestanding multidisciplinary child abuse team - 1,
- 6 b. hospital team - 1,
- 7 c. nonurban centers - 4,
- 8 d. mid-level nonurban centers - 6, and
- 9 e. urban centers - 24;

10 2. Adding together the weighted results for all categories;

11 3. Dividing the weighted result for each category by the sum of  
12 the weighted results for all categories; and

13 4. Equally distributing funding to each applicant in the  
14 corresponding category based on the amounts obtained by multiplying  
15 the total available funding by the calculated percentages. The  
16 total amount for all freestanding multidisciplinary teams as  
17 determined by the formula provided in this subsection shall be  
18 transferred to the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Team Account  
19 (CAMTA) Fund established by Section 1-9-103a of this title and  
20 contracts with each freestanding multidisciplinary team shall be  
21 completed no later than January 1 of each year.

22 ~~During state fiscal year 2019, the Oklahoma Commission on Children~~  
23 ~~and Youth may disburse to each freestanding multidisciplinary team~~  
24 ~~the remaining contracted amount of the freestanding~~

1 ~~multidisciplinary team award. The freestanding multidisciplinary~~  
2 ~~team shall provide the Commission with monthly documentation of~~  
3 ~~expenses as well as activity data and continue providing such~~  
4 ~~documentation thereafter. Beginning January 1, 2020, and each year~~  
5 ~~thereafter, the Commission may disburse the contracted amount at the~~  
6 ~~beginning of the calendar year to freestanding multidisciplinary~~  
7 ~~teams that are functioning effectively as determined by the~~  
8 ~~Commission pursuant to Section 1-9-102 of this title.~~

9 C. The Department is authorized to enter into a contract with  
10 an eligible entity identified as a nationally accredited association  
11 of Children's Advocacy Centers to administer and disburse funds from  
12 the CAMA fund. By January 31, ~~2003~~ 2027, and by January 31 of each  
13 year thereafter, the Department, directly or through its contracted  
14 entity, shall disburse monies from the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary  
15 Account to eligible child advocacy centers. A child advocacy center  
16 shall be in compliance with the provisions of Section 1-9-102 of  
17 this title to be eligible for Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account  
18 funding. The disbursement shall be a single, annual disbursement,  
19 for the collection period of the preceding year beginning October 1  
20 through September 30.

21 D. A report issued by the Oklahoma Commission on Children and  
22 Youth to the Oklahoma Legislature outlining performance measures for  
23 all multidisciplinary teams, including those associated with child  
24 advocacy centers, and recommendations on the funding formula

1 provided for in this section shall be transmitted to the Oklahoma  
2 Legislature no later than December 31, 2017. The Department, the  
3 Commission, and the Children's Advocacy Centers of Oklahoma, Inc.,  
4 shall meet annually to review and certify the amount of CAMA and  
5 CAMTA funds to be disbursed.

6 E. A child advocacy center may carry over funding for a period  
7 of one (1) year after allocation, such one-year period to begin in  
8 January and end in December of the same year; provided, however,  
9 funds not used within twenty-four (24) months of the original  
10 allocation will be deducted from the contract amount for the next  
11 contract year. If a center is ineligible for funding in an upcoming  
12 year, unused funds from the current or previous years shall be  
13 returned to the CAMA Fund for use in subsequent years. Funds not  
14 used by a freestanding team by the end of the contract period shall  
15 revert to, and be deposited in, the CAMA Fund.

16 F. The Commission is hereby authorized to receive five percent  
17 (5.0%) in administrative costs from the CAMTA Fund. The Department  
18 of Human Services is hereby authorized to receive one-half of one  
19 percent (0.5%) in administrative costs from the CAMA fund. The  
20 Department is authorized to administer the CAMA fund or to enter  
21 into a contract with an eligible entity that is a nationally  
22 accredited association of Children's Advocacy Centers for the  
23 administration of the fund.

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1 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2021, Section 1-9-104a,  
2 is amended to read as follows:

3 Section 1-9-104a. ~~The Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth~~  
4 ~~shall~~ Department of Human Services is authorized to contract with a  
5 qualifying entity that is a nationally accredited state chapter of  
6 Oklahoma Children's Advocacy Centers to administer Child Abuse  
7 Multidisciplinary Account funds, and such qualifying entity may  
8 contract with eligible providers as authorized by this act.

9 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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