

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

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB4227 \_\_\_\_\_  
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: Chris Kannady

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

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Reading Clerk

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

PROPOSED POLICY  
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4227

By: Kannady

PROPOSED POLICY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to child sexual abuse; prohibiting the concealing of details relating to certain claims; requiring that identifying information of victim be confidential; providing which agreements act shall apply to; providing exception; amending 22 O.S. 2021, Section 152, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 115, O.S.L. 2025 (22 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 152), which relates to criminal procedure; authorizing the prosecution of sexual crimes against children to be brought at any time; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3020 of Title 12, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any provision of a civil settlement agreement that has the purpose or effect of concealing the details relating to a claim of child sexual abuse, as defined in Section 843.5 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or child sexual exploitation, as defined in Section 1-1-105 of Title

1 10A of the Oklahoma Statutes, and including such offenses set forth  
2 in Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, is void and unenforceable as  
3 contrary to the public policy of this state. Provided, however,  
4 that identifying information concerning a victim of child sexual  
5 abuse shall be deemed and maintained as confidential.

6 B. Subject to subsection C of this section, subsection A of  
7 this section shall apply to a civil agreement entered into before,  
8 on, or after the effective date of this act.

9 C. An individual or entity may not enforce or attempt to  
10 enforce a civil agreement or a provision of a civil agreement  
11 described by subsection A of this section and entered into before  
12 the effective date of this act unless:

13 1. A cause of action related to a civil agreement was initiated  
14 prior to the effective date of this act; and

15 2. The individual or entity obtains a declaratory judgment that  
16 is final and not subject to appeal and declares that the agreement  
17 or provision is enforceable.

18 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2021, Section 152, as last  
19 amended by Section 1, Chapter 115, O.S.L. 2025 (22 O.S. Supp. 2025,  
20 Section 152), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 152. A. Prosecutions for the crimes of bribery,  
22 embezzlement of public money, bonds, securities, assets or property  
23 of the state or any county, school district, municipality or other  
24 subdivision thereof, or of any misappropriation of public money,

1 bonds, securities, assets or property of the state or any county,  
2 school district, municipality or other subdivision thereof,  
3 falsification of public records of the state or any county, school  
4 district, municipality or other subdivision thereof, and conspiracy  
5 to defraud the State of Oklahoma or any county, school district,  
6 municipality or other subdivision thereof in any manner or for any  
7 purpose shall be commenced within seven (7) years after the  
8 discovery of the crime; provided, however, prosecutions for the  
9 crimes of embezzlement or misappropriation of public money, bonds,  
10 securities, assets or property of any school district, including  
11 those relating to student activity funds, or the crime of  
12 falsification of public records of any independent school district,  
13 the crime of criminal conspiracy, the crime of embezzlement pursuant  
14 to Sections 1451 through 1461 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes,  
15 the crime of False Personation or Identity Theft pursuant to  
16 Sections 1531 through 1533.3 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes,  
17 the financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult pursuant to  
18 Sections 843.1, 843.3 and 843.4 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma  
19 Statutes, or Medicaid fraud pursuant to Section 1005 of Title 56 of  
20 the Oklahoma Statutes, shall be commenced within five (5) years  
21 after the discovery of the crime.

22 B. Prosecutions for criminal violations of any state income tax  
23 laws shall be commenced within five (5) years after the commission  
24 of such violation.

1 C. 1. a. Prosecutions for sexual crimes against children,  
2 specifically ~~rape or forcible sodomy, sodomy,~~ lewd or  
3 indecent proposals or acts against children, ~~involving~~  
4 ~~minors in pornography~~ pursuant to Section ~~886, 888,~~  
5 ~~1111, 1111.1, 1113, 1114, 1021.2, 1021.3, 1040.12a~~ or  
6 1123 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, any offense  
7 prohibited by Section 843.5 of Title 21 of the  
8 Oklahoma Statutes except child sexual abuse, sexual  
9 abuse of a vulnerable adult pursuant to Section 843.1  
10 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, child  
11 trafficking pursuant to Section 866 of Title 21 of the  
12 Oklahoma Statutes, nonconsensual dissemination of  
13 private sexual images pursuant to Section 1040.13b of  
14 Title 21, and failure to report abuse or neglect  
15 pursuant to Section 1-2-101 of Title 10A of the  
16 Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced by the forty-  
17 fifth birthday of the alleged victim.

18 b. Prosecutions for sexual crimes against children,  
19 specifically rape, forcible sodomy, or sodomy,  
20 involving minors in pornography pursuant to Section  
21 886, 888, 1021.2, 1021.3, 1040.12a, 1111, 1111.1,  
22 1113, 1114, or 1123 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma  
23 Statutes, and child sexual abuse pursuant to Section  
24 843.5 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes may be

1           commenced at any time after the commission of the  
2           offense. Any offense for which the prosecution is not  
3           time-barred upon the effective date of this act shall  
4           be subject to the provisions of this subsection.

5 Prosecutions for such crimes committed against victims eighteen (18)  
6 years of age or older shall be commenced within twenty (20) years  
7 after the discovery of the crime. As used in this paragraph,  
8 "discovery" means the date that a physical or sexually related crime  
9 involving a victim eighteen (18) years of age or older is reported  
10 to a law enforcement agency. Any offense for which the prosecution  
11 is not time-barred upon the effective date of this act shall be  
12 retroactively subject to the provisions of this subsection.

13       2. However, prosecutions for the crimes listed in subparagraph  
14 a of paragraph 1 of this subsection may be commenced at any time  
15 after the commission of the offense if:

- 16           a. physical evidence is collected and preserved that is  
17           capable of being tested to obtain a profile from  
18           deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA), and
- 19           b. probable cause as to the identity of the offender is  
20           subsequently established through the use of a DNA  
21           profile using evidence listed in subparagraph a of  
22           this paragraph, or
- 23           c. the accused person has provided a confession or  
24           admission related to the crime.

1        3. No prosecution under this subsection shall be based upon the  
2 memory of the victim that has been recovered through psychotherapy  
3 unless there is some evidence independent of such repressed memory.

4        4. Any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false claim  
5 pursuant to this subsection or a claim that the person knows lacks  
6 factual foundation may be reported to local law enforcement for  
7 criminal investigation and, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a  
8 felony.

9        D. Prosecutions for criminal violations of any provision of the  
10 Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code shall be commenced within three  
11 (3) years after the commission of such offense.

12        E. Prosecutions for the crime of criminal fraud or workers'  
13 compensation fraud pursuant to Section 1541.1, 1541.2, 1662 or 1663  
14 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall commence within three (3)  
15 years after the discovery of the crime, but in no event greater than  
16 seven (7) years after the commission of the crime.

17        F. Prosecution for the crime of false or bogus check pursuant  
18 to Section 1541.1, 1541.2, 1541.3 or 1541.4 of Title 21 of the  
19 Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced within five (5) years after the  
20 commission of such offense.

21        G. Prosecution for the crime of solicitation for murder in the  
22 first degree pursuant to Section 701.16 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma  
23 Statutes shall be commenced within seven (7) years after the  
24 discovery of the crime. For purposes of this subsection,

1 "discovery" means the date upon which the crime is made known to  
2 anyone other than a person involved in the solicitation.

3 H. In all other cases a prosecution for a public offense must  
4 be commenced within three (3) years after its commission.

5 I. Prosecution for the crime of accessory after the fact must  
6 be commenced within the same statute of limitations as that of the  
7 felony for which the person acted as an accessory.

8 J. Prosecution for the crime of arson pursuant to Section 1401,  
9 1402, 1403, 1404 or 1405 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall  
10 be commenced within seven (7) years after the commission of the  
11 crime.

12 K. Prosecutions for criminal violations in which a deadly  
13 weapon is used to commit a felony or prosecutions for criminal  
14 violations in which a deadly weapon is used in an attempt to commit  
15 a felony shall be commenced within seven (7) years after the  
16 commission of the crime.

17 L. Prosecutions for the crime of human trafficking pursuant to  
18 Section 748 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced  
19 within three (3) years after discovery of the crime. For purposes  
20 of this subsection, "discovery" means the date upon which the crime  
21 is reported to a law enforcement agency.

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

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