

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 17, 2026

3 SENATE BILL NO. 1705

By: Hamilton

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6 An Act relating to cities and towns; prohibiting
7 political subdivisions from spending public funds to
8 pay nonprofit organizations to pay defendants' bail;
9 providing for injunctive relief; providing for award
10 of attorney fees and costs; providing for
11 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 27-117.2 of Title 11, unless
15 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. A political subdivision may not spend public funds to pay a
17 nonprofit organization that accepts and uses donations from the
18 public to deposit money with a court in the amount of a defendant's
19 bail bond.

20 B. If a political subdivision engages in an activity prohibited
21 by subsection A of this section, a taxpayer or resident of the
22 political subdivision is entitled to appropriate injunctive relief
23 to prevent further activity prohibited by subsection A of this
24 section and further payment of public funds related to that
activity.

1 C. A party that prevails in an action under subsection B of
2 this section is entitled to recover the party's reasonable attorney
3 fees and court costs.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON LOCAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT
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