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SENATE BILL 1536

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to state government; defining terms; authorizing the Attorney General to investigate certain entities for certain solicitations; requiring the Attorney General to establish certain guidelines; requiring district attorney collaboration under certain circumstances; requiring the Attorney General to notify the Governor upon certain designation; prohibiting designated terrorist support entities from receiving state funds; requiring the Attorney General to submit certain report; requiring the Department of Public Safety to provide certain educational module; requiring peace officers to complete certain educational module; making appropriations; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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 221 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As used in this section:

1. "Entity" means any person, association, corporation, or other organization, whether incorporated or unincorporated, operating within this state;

1 2. "Foreign terrorist organization" means an organization
2 currently designated by the United States Secretary of State
3 pursuant to 8 U.S.C., Section 1189;

4 3. "Material support or resources" has the same meaning as in
5 18 U.S.C., Section 2339A(b) and includes, but is not limited to,
6 currency, financial services, training, expert advice or assistance,
7 or any tangible or intangible property or service provided in
8 coordination with or under the direction or control of a foreign
9 terrorist organization; and

10 4. "Muslim Brotherhood" means the organization founded in Egypt
11 in 1928, its global network, and any successor or splinter entities
12 that adhere to its ideology and strategic goals. A domestic
13 reference point is the Department of Justice's list of two hundred
14 forty-six unindicted co-conspirators in the Holy Land Foundation
15 criminal case.

16 B. 1. When the Attorney General has reasonable cause to
17 believe an entity is engaged in fraudulent charitable solicitation
18 that benefits a foreign terrorist organization, is providing
19 material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization,
20 is misrepresenting the nature of its relationship with or support
21 for the unlawful activities of the foreign terrorist organization,
22 or is encouraging violence, the Attorney General may exercise all
23 existing civil investigative powers, including civil investigative
24 demands under state consumer-protection and false-claims statutes.

1 2. Such investigations can include examination of financial
2 records, communications, foreign funding sources, ties to foreign
3 terrorist organizations and other international extremist networks,
4 and any other evidence relevant to determining potential consumer
5 fraud committed by misrepresentation of the organization's true
6 purposes and activities.

7 3. The Attorney General shall have all existing statutory
8 powers of investigation, including civil investigative demands and
9 subpoena power, and is further authorized to employ advanced
10 investigative tools, forensic accounting, data analytics, and open-
11 source intelligence tools necessary to identify concealed
12 connections and funding streams, provided there is reasonable
13 suspicion of illicit activity.

14 4. The Attorney General shall have the power to investigate
15 entity directors who directed, approved, or otherwise were complicit
16 in fraudulent activities, as well as assess fines and other
17 penalties on directors who fail to comply with subpoena requests.

18 5. The Attorney General shall establish clear internal
19 guidelines governing the scope and duration of such investigations
20 which shall be conducted in full compliance with state and federal
21 law and in coordination with the Governor's office as necessary.

22 6. District attorneys shall, whenever appropriate based on
23 reasonable findings, collaborate with the Attorney General in
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1 initiating formal criminal investigations and pursue their own
2 criminal proceedings when relevant under state law.

3 7. The Attorney General shall ensure that the state's
4 mechanisms for reporting consumer fraud include appropriate
5 protections for whistleblowers.

6 C. 1. After investigation, if the Attorney General believes an
7 entity has knowingly provided material support to a foreign
8 terrorist organization, encouraged violence, or engaged in a pattern
9 of misrepresentation, deceit, or fraudulent solicitation to the
10 detriment of public consumers and the benefit of a foreign terrorist
11 organization, the Attorney General shall formally notify the
12 Governor that the entity is a Designated Terrorist Support Entity,
13 publish the notice on the Attorney General's website, and transmit
14 the notice to all state agencies.

15 2. The Attorney General may also file a civil action, pursuant
16 to the state's consumer fraud protection statutes, seeking an
17 injunction to shut down the fraudulent solicitation or deceptive
18 charity, and seeking restitution and civil penalties when
19 appropriate.

20 3. The Designated Terrorist Support Entity shall be denied all
21 state funds provided by any state agency beginning with the state
22 fiscal year that starts after the date on which a final judicial
23 determination has been issued in the action brought by the Attorney
24 General pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection. No public
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1 university, community college, school district, or other recipient
2 of state funds shall, after the date of the final judicial
3 determination, knowingly provide any grant, contract, loan, tax
4 credit, tax exemption, or other state financial benefit to a
5 Designated Terrorist Support Entity.

6 4. The Attorney General shall alert all state agencies and
7 offices about the designation made pursuant to paragraph 1 of this
8 subsection, to help protect public consumers and prevent official
9 collaboration with an organization believed to be committing
10 consumer fraud or supporting illicit activities.

11 5. This section does not prohibit transactions necessary to
12 comply with federal law or court order, nor does it prohibit purely
13 expressive activities protected by the First Amendment to the United
14 States Constitution.

15 D. On or before December 31 of each year, the Attorney General
16 shall electronically submit to the Governor and Legislature a public
17 report summarizing investigations conducted, designations issued,
18 judicial actions filed, and amounts of fraudulently solicited funds
19 recovered or prevented. The report shall redact information that
20 would compromise ongoing investigations.

21 E. 1. The Department of Public Safety, in consultation with
22 the Attorney General and the Governor, shall provide an educational
23 module on foreign terrorist organizations, including Muslim
24 Brotherhood networks, and how they exploit America's open society,

1 particularly tax-exempt charitable privileges, to fundraise and
2 encourage violence. The module shall train law enforcement to
3 recognize and investigate such behavior, and draw upon relevant
4 federal statutes and case law.

5 2. Every certified peace officer and reserve peace officer in
6 the state, under the authority of the Attorney General and the
7 Governor, shall complete this training module at least once every
8 three (3) years as part of the Council on Law Enforcement Education
9 and Training's continuing education requirements. Those who receive
10 training shall include officers serving schools and universities as
11 well as corrections officers and sheriffs.

12 SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated to the Office of the
13 Attorney General from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the
14 General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year
15 ending June 30, 2027, the sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00)
16 or so much thereof as may be necessary to perform the duties imposed
17 upon the Office of the Attorney General by law.

18 SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated to the Office of the
19 Governor from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the General
20 Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year ending June
21 30, 2027, the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars
22 (\$250,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to perform the
23 duties imposed upon the Office of the Governor by law.

24 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2026.

SECTION 5. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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