

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1723

By: Nice

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to child custody; creating the Oklahoma Time Taken, Time Back Act; providing short title; requiring court to order certain additional visitation in certain circumstance; providing requirements for certain additional visitation; construing provision; 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 155 of Title 43, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Time Taken, Time Back Act".

B. A court shall, unless a party shows good cause as to why an order should not be issued, order additional periods of visitation or custody access to compensate for a denial of court-ordered visitation or custody access that resulted from:

1. An investigation conducted by the Department of Human Services;

1 2. A protective order or restraining order; or

2 3. An investigation conducted by any investigative agency,
3 provided that such investigation or order did not result in a
4 finding of abuse or neglect.

5 C. Additional periods of visitation or custody access ordered
6 pursuant to the provisions of this section:

7 1. Shall be of the same type and duration as the visitation or
8 custody access that was denied;

9 2. May include weekend, holiday, or summer visitation or
10 custody access; and

11 3. Shall occur within two (2) years of the date the court-
12 ordered visitation or custody access was denied.

13 D. A person denied visitation or custody access shall be
14 entitled to select the time of the additional visitation or custody
15 access, subject to the requirements of subsection C of this section.

16 E. Nothing in subsection B of this section shall be construed
17 to create a cause of action against the Department of Human Services
18 or waive sovereign immunity from suit or liability.

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