

OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE
CONFERENCE
COMMITTEE REPORT

May 21, 2025

Mr President

Mr Speaker;

The Conference Committee, to which was referred

SB970

By Weaver of the Senate and West (Kevin) of the House




Title: Child custody; requiring notice to custodial parent by noncustodial parent; providing that the parent is not required to disclose certain information, exception. Effective date.


together with Engrossed House Amendments thereto, beg leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and herewith return the same with the following recommendations

1. That the House recede from all Amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

SENATE CONFEREES:


Weaver

Howard

Gollihare


Jech

Rosino

Brooks

HOUSE CONFEREES:

Conference Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety Oversight

Senate Action _____ Date _____ House Action _____ Date _____

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT
TO
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 970 By: Weaver of the Senate
3 and
4 West (Kevin) of the House
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7 An Act relating to child custody; requiring notice to
8 custodial parent of in-patient treatment of
9 noncustodial parent; providing for codification; and
10 providing an effective date.

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12 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the title, enacting clause, and entire bill
13 and insert:
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15 "An Act relating to child custody; requiring notice
16 to custodial parent by noncustodial parent; allowing
17 noncustodial parents the authority to deny disclosing
18 reasons for noncompliance; providing an exception;
19 providing for charges of indirect contempt of court
20 in certain circumstances; providing for codification;
21 and providing an effective date.

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

23 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
24 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4-107b of Title 43A, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A custodial parent shall receive notice from the noncustodial
2 parent, or the noncustodial parent's representative, if the
3 noncustodial parent is unable to comply with court-ordered
4 visitation or any other court-ordered requirement for any reason.
5 Unless ordered otherwise by the court, the noncustodial parent shall
6 not be required to disclose the reason the parent is unable to
7 comply. A noncustodial parent who violates the provisions of this
8 section shall be in indirect contempt of court.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025."

10 Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of May, 2025.

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Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives
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15 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2025.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate
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2 BILL NO. 970

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7 custodial parent of in-patient treatment of
8 noncustodial parent; providing for codification; and
9 providing an effective date.

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

11 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4-107b of Title 43A, unless
13 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A custodial parent under a court order entered pursuant to the
15 provisions of Title 43 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall receive notice
16 from the noncustodial parent, or the noncustodial parent's
17 representative if such parent is unable, if the noncustodial parent
18 is unable to comply with court-ordered visitation or any other
19 court-ordered requirement because he or she is receiving in-patient
20 treatment at a facility within the Department of Mental Health and
21 Substance Abuse Services or a facility certified by the Department.

22 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.
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1 Passed the Senate the 27th day of March, 2025.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
6 2025.

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9 Presiding Officer of the House
10 of Representatives