

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 1612

By: Haste of the Senate

and

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An Act relating to crimes and punishments; requiring report of certain injury; requiring certain physical records; requiring preservation of certain item; prohibiting relief of certain reporting; providing certain immunity; prohibiting public disclosure; clarifying certain reporting obligations; stating certain liability; creating misdemeanor offenses; providing penalties; clarifying applicability; construing provision; requiring report of certain damage; creating misdemeanor offense; providing penalty; 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 594 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any pharmacist, physician, nurse, medical provider, midwife, dentist, veterinarian, paramedical employee, or provider of first aid or emergency medical services, or any employee of a hospital,

1 clinic, nursing home, sanitarium, or person associated with any
2 other medical institution or office where patients regularly receive
3 care, who tends or treats, or any person who is requested to
4 examine, tend, or treat, at any location, any human being suffering
5 from a wound, injury, or illness and who has reason to believe that
6 such wound, injury, or illness:

7 1. Was caused by or appears to arise from a bullet wound, a
8 gunshot wound, a powder burn, or any other injury arising from the
9 discharge of a firearm;

10 2. Was caused by or appears to arise from a knife, an ice pick,
11 or any other sharp or pointed instrument or deadly weapon believed
12 to have been intentionally inflicted upon a person;

13 3. Was caused by or appears to arise from poisoning;

14 4. Was caused by or appears to arise from an incendiary or
15 explosive device or is a burn injury or wound if the victim has
16 sustained second- or third-degree burns to five percent (5%) or more
17 of the body, the victim has sustained burns to the upper respiratory
18 tract or sustained laryngeal edema from inhaling superheated air, or
19 the victim has sustained a burn injury or wound that may result in
20 the victim's death; or

21 5. Is a wound, injury, or illness that would seriously maim,
22 would produce death, or has rendered the injured person unconscious,
23 and was caused by the use of violence or was sustained in a
24 suspicious or unusual manner or in the commission of a crime,

1 shall report the wound, injury, or illness to a law enforcement
2 agency with jurisdiction at the location in which such treatment is
3 administered or the request for such treatment is received. Such
4 reports shall contain the name, address, race, sex, current
5 whereabouts, and age of the patient, and shall also contain the
6 nature and extent of the injury, wound, illness, or burn, any other
7 information that might be helpful in establishing the cause of the
8 injury, wound, illness, or burn and the identity of the person who
9 caused the injury, wound, illness, or burn if known, and any facts
10 that might assist in detecting crime including, but not limited to,
11 providing any video recorded at or maintained by the reporting
12 facility where the patient is depicted even if such video includes
13 depictions of other patients. Such reports shall be made
14 immediately by telephone with video and any other physical record to
15 be provided within seventy-two (72) hours of a request by the law
16 enforcement agency investigating the report. A facility providing
17 video pursuant to this section may blur the images of any
18 individuals who are not the patient about whom a report is made and
19 who are not individuals associated with or assisting the patient
20 about whom a report is made.

21 B. 1. A person who has rendered treatment or assistance for a
22 crime the reporting of which is addressed in Section 58 of Title 22
23 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall report injuries, wounds, or
24 illnesses that fall under subparagraph 1, 2, 3, or 4 of subsection A

1 of this section even if the crimes listed in Section 58 of Title 22
2 of the Oklahoma Statutes are not reported.

3 2. A person who has rendered treatment or assistance for a
4 crime the reporting of which is addressed in Section 40.3A of Title
5 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall report injuries, wounds, or
6 illnesses that fall under subsection A of this section even if the
7 crimes listed in Section 40.3A of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes
8 are not reported.

9 C. A person who renders treatment for any reportable injury,
10 wound, illness, or burn shall ensure that any bullet, foreign
11 object, clothing showing damage potentially related to the
12 reportable injury, wound, illness, or burn, or any other item which
13 may be potential evidence related to the report that is removed from
14 any such patient, shall be identified as coming from such patient
15 and kept in a manner that preserves the integrity of the item, until
16 an employee of such entity surrenders the item to the law
17 enforcement agency to whom the report is made.

18 D. No privilege or contract shall relieve any person from the
19 requirement of reporting pursuant to this section or prevent any
20 person from testifying regarding information acquired from a patient
21 treated for a reportable injury, wound, illness, or burn if such
22 testimony is otherwise admissible. Any provision of law or rule of
23 evidence relating to confidentiality of such treatment is abrogated
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1 for and does not apply to communications and testimony pursuant to
2 this section.

3 E. Any person who makes a report required by this section shall
4 be immune from civil liability for the making of such reports and
5 shall have immunity with respect to any good-faith participation in
6 any judicial proceeding or any other proceeding resulting from the
7 report of the injury, wound, illness, or burn.

8 F. Any report of an injury, wound, illness, or burn required to
9 be reported pursuant to this section shall not become a public
10 record. Law enforcement shall keep confidential and redact any
11 information identifying the reporter in a report required pursuant
12 to this section unless otherwise ordered by a court. Other
13 employees of a facility with knowledge of a report required by this
14 section shall not disclose information identifying the reporter
15 unless otherwise ordered by the court or as part of an investigation
16 by local law enforcement.

17 G. The reporting obligations pursuant to this section are
18 individual except that when two or more persons who are required to
19 report are present and jointly have knowledge of a known or
20 suspected injury, wound, illness, or burn that is required to be
21 reported pursuant to this section, and when there is an agreement
22 among these persons to report as a team, the team may select by
23 mutual agreement a member of the team to make a report by telephone
24 and a single written report as required by subsection A of this

1 section. The written report shall be signed by the selected member
2 of the reporting team. Any member who has knowledge that the member
3 designated to report has failed to do so shall thereafter make the
4 report.

5 H. No employer, supervisor, administrator, governing body, or
6 other entity shall interfere with the reporting obligations of any
7 employee or other person or in any manner discriminate or retaliate
8 against an employee or other person who in good faith files a report
9 pursuant to this section. Any employer, supervisor, administrator,
10 governing body, or other entity who discharges, discriminates, or
11 retaliates against an employee or other person for making a report
12 or providing information or testimony for proceedings related to a
13 reportable injury, wound, illness, or burn pursuant to this section
14 shall be liable for damages, costs, and attorney fees.

15 I. Any person who knowingly and willfully fails to file a
16 report or who interferes with prompt reporting required pursuant to
17 this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor.
18 Any person who knowingly and willfully makes a report pursuant to
19 this section when the person knows the report lacks factual
20 foundation shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor. A
21 violation of this subsection shall be punishable by a fine not more
22 than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), by imprisonment in a county
23 jail for not more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and
24 imprisonment.

1 J. The provisions of this section shall not apply to such
2 injuries, wounds, illnesses, or burns received by any member of the
3 Armed Forces of the United States or of this state while engaged in
4 the actual performance of duty.

5 K. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to
6 affect any requirement that a person must report child abuse or
7 neglect pursuant to Title 10A of the Oklahoma Statutes except that
8 when making a report of child abuse or child neglect pursuant to
9 Title 10A, the reporting facility is required to provide any video
10 recorded at or maintained by the reporting facility where the
11 patient is depicted even if such video includes depictions of other
12 patients. Such video and any other physical record shall be
13 provided within seventy-two (72) hours of a request by the law
14 enforcement agency investigating the report.

15 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 595 of Title 21, unless there is
17 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. Any owner of a garage, parking lot, or other place of which
19 the primary purpose is storage, repair, or maintenance of vehicles,
20 or any employee of such owner, who knows or becomes aware of the
21 fact that any motor vehicle so stored or left has upon it, or in it,
22 bullet marks, gunshot marks, blood stains, or marks or evidence of
23 any purported crime, shall immediately report the facts to a law
24 enforcement agency of this state.

1 B. Any person who violates the provisions of subsection A of
2 this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor
3 punishable by a fine not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00),
4 by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than six (6) months,
5 or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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

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