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Research Analysis

The Amd1 to policy committee recommendation for HB 3497 provides definitions of the terms "suppressing evidence" and "excluding evidence" as used by the Court of Criminal Appeals on cases taken by the state or a municipality. The measure also allows the court to take up issues relating to the suppression or exclusion of evidence in cases alleging violations of the violent crimes list.

- “Suppressing evidence” means any judicial ruling that disallows or limits the introduction or use of any evidence based upon constitutional grounds.
- “Excluding evidence” means any judicial ruling that disallows or limits the introduction or use of any evidence for any other reason including, but not limited to, any perceived nonconstitutional violation, prohibition of federal or state law or regulation, application of the provisions of the Oklahoma Evidence Code, application of the principles of common law, or application of a decision of the United States Supreme Court, the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals, or of any other court or tribunal.

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Fiscal Analysis

The POLREC to HB3497 amends criminal procedure statutes related to appeals taken by the state or municipality, adding a statutory reference and defining terms related to suppressing and excluding evidence. In its current form, this measure is not anticipated to have a material impact on state budget or appropriations.

The POLREC-AMD1 modifies additional procedures related to evidence. This does not change the fiscal impact as described above.

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Other Considerations

None.