

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to higher education; creating the Higher Education Activities Response (HEAR) Act; defining terms; requiring institutions of higher education to provide trained security personnel for certain on-campus events; requiring institutions to follow security threat assessments provided by tactical threat assessment team; requiring institutions to make request for a security threat assessment; listing information required for request; requiring a tactical treat assessment team complete a security threat assessment; requiring the institution pay for the security threat assessment; listing the information to be included in the security threat assessment; directing institutions provide assessment to certain law enforcement agencies; exempting security threat assessments from the Open Records Act; requiring certain briefing by tactical threat assessment team before event; imposing fine for failure to comply with assessment; directing the Office of the Attorney General to impose fine; creating a Higher Education Activities Response Revolving Fund; providing purpose of fund for investigation of violations and for survivors directly impacted by a traumatic event occurring at an institution event; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 360.22 of Title 74, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Higher
5 Education Activities Response (HEAR) Act".

6 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 360.23 of Title 74, unless there
8 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9 As used in this Act:

10 1. "On-campus" means the real property, buildings, and other
11 improvements within this state owned, leased, or rented by an
12 institution of higher education;

13 2. "Institutional of higher education" means any publicly
14 funded university, college, or junior college within The State
15 System of Higher Education; and

16 3. "Tactical threat assessment team" means any state or local
17 law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over the area in which
18 the institution-sponsored on-campus event is to occur.

19 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 360.24 of Title 74, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 A. Institutions of higher education shall provide, or contract
23 to provide, trained security personnel for every institution-
24 sponsored on-campus event. The institution of higher education

1 shall provide the amount of trained security personnel and approach
2 to security as provided for in the security threat assessment
3 completed by a tactical threat assessment team.

4 B. The institution of higher education shall complete a request
5 for a security threat assessment at least thirty (30) calendar days
6 prior to the event. The request shall include:

7 1. The date or dates of the event and the hours during which
8 the event will be conducted;

9 2. A detailed map of the area the event is to be held including
10 any modifications to the area that will be made for the event;

11 3. An estimated number of persons expected to attend the event
12 and whether those persons are students, staff, or general public;

13 4. A brief summary of the event and the general schedule for
14 the event;

15 5. A statement from local fire authorities having jurisdiction
16 over the event verifying that the local fire authority is aware of
17 the event and is prepared to respond if needed; and

18 6. A statement from the on-campus police department, local
19 police department, or sheriff's office having jurisdiction over the
20 event verifying that they are aware of the event and are prepared to
21 respond if needed.

22 C. Based on the security threat assessment request, a tactical
23 threat assessment team shall complete a security threat assessment
24 within two weeks of the event. The institution shall pay for all

1 expenses associated with the completion of the assessment. The
2 security threat assessment shall contain detailed plans for
3 recommended security enforcement including:

4 1. Prevention of the unlawful use of alcohol, narcotics, or
5 dangerous drugs at the event;

6 2. Methods for limiting the size of the event to the number of
7 participants for which the area and facilities are designed;

8 3. External and internal crowd control options;

9 4. Evacuation options and routes; and

10 5. An estimation of the number of trained security personnel
11 necessary to secure the event.

12 D. Upon completion of the security threat assessment, the
13 institution of higher education shall provide the assessment to all
14 on-campus police officers, local law enforcement agencies, and the
15 Office of the Attorney General. Security threat assessments shall
16 not be subject to the Open Records Act.

17 E. A tactical threat assessment report and briefing shall be
18 provided by the tactical threat assessment team based on the
19 security threat assessment, at the expense of the institution of
20 higher education, to the trained security personnel for the event at
21 least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the event and on the day of
22 the event.

23 F. Any institution of higher education who fails to have a
24 security threat assessment completed or fails to comply with the

1 security threat assessment shall be fined by the Office of the
2 Attorney General in the amount of what it would have cost the
3 institution of higher education to contract with a state tactical
4 team to provide trained security personnel for the event. The
5 Office of the Attorney General shall have the authority to
6 investigate institutions for violations of this act. Any fines
7 imposed pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the Higher
8 Education Activities Response Revolving Fund created in Section 4 of
9 this act.

10 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
11 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 360.25 of Title 74, unless there
12 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

13 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
14 for the Office of the Attorney General to be designated the "Higher
15 Education Activities Response Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a
16 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall
17 consist of all monies received by the Office of the Attorney General
18 from fines imposed for failure to comply with the requirements of
19 the Higher Education Activities Response (HEAR) Act. All monies
20 accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may
21 be budgeted and expended by the Office of the Attorney General for
22 the purpose of investigating violations of the HEAR Act and for the
23 survivors directly impacted by a violent, traumatic event that
24 occurred at an institution of higher education within The State

1 System of Higher Education. Expenditures from said fund shall be
2 made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims
3 filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of
4 Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

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

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