

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 SENATE BILL 1701 By: Jett

6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending
8 21 O.S. 2021, Section 99a, which relates to authority
9 of peace officers; removing certain commission
requirement; and providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 99a, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 99a. A. Subject to subsections C and D of this section
15 in addition to any other powers vested by law, a peace officer of
16 the State of Oklahoma as used in this section may enforce the
17 criminal laws of this state throughout the territorial bounds of
18 this state, under the following circumstances:

19 1. In response to an emergency involving an immediate threat to
20 human life or property;

21 2. Upon the prior consent of the head of a state law
22 enforcement agency, the sheriff or the chief of police in whose
23 investigatory or territorial jurisdiction the exercise of the powers
24 occurs;

1 3. In response to a request for assistance pursuant to a mutual
2 law enforcement assistance agreement with the agency of
3 investigatory or territorial jurisdiction;

4 4. In response to the request for assistance by a peace officer
5 with investigatory or territorial jurisdiction; or

6 5. While the peace officer is transporting a prisoner.

7 B. While serving as peace officers of the State of Oklahoma and
8 rendering assistance under the circumstances enumerated above, peace
9 officers shall have the same powers and duties as though employed by
10 and shall be deemed to be acting within the scope of authority of
11 the law enforcement agency in whose or under whose investigatory or
12 territorial jurisdiction they are serving. Salaries, insurance and
13 other benefits shall not be the responsibility of a law enforcement
14 agency that is not the employing agency for the peace officer.

15 C. A municipal peace officer may exercise authority provided by
16 this section only if the peace officer acts pursuant to policies and
17 procedures adopted by the municipal governing body.

18 D. A Bureau of Indian Affairs law enforcement officer or a
19 tribal law enforcement officer of a federally recognized Indian
20 tribe who has been ~~commissioned by the Federal Bureau of Indian~~
21 ~~Affairs and has been~~ certified by the Council on Law Enforcement
22 Education and Training shall have state police powers to enforce
23 state laws on fee land purchased by a federally recognized American

1 Indian tribe or in Indian country, as defined in Section 1151 of
2 Title 18 of the United States Code.

3 E. Nothing in this act shall limit or prohibit jurisdiction
4 given to tribal officers pursuant to a cross-deputization agreement
5 between a state or local governmental agency or another state or
6 federal law.

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