

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1820

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to duels; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Section 662, as amended by Section 193, Chapter 486, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 662), which relates to penalties for dueling; modifying elements of certain offense; defining term; establishing guidelines for consent as an affirmative defense to assaultive conduct; providing exceptions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 662, as amended by Section 193, Chapter 486, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 662), is amended to read as follows:

Section 662. Any person guilty of fighting any duel with a deadly weapon, although no death or wound ensues, shall be guilty of a Class C1 felony offense punishable by imprisonment as provided for in subsections B through E of Section 20L of this title.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 663 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As used in this section, "serious bodily injury" means any harm that creates a substantial risk of death or that causes death,

1 serious permanent disfigurement, protracted loss or impairment of
2 the function of any bodily member or organ, or prolonged impairment
3 of the function of any bodily member or organ.

4 B. The victim's effective consent or the actor's reasonable
5 belief that the victim consented to the actor's conduct is an
6 affirmative defense to prosecution under Sections 644 and 647 of
7 Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes if:

8 1. The conduct did not threaten or inflict serious bodily
9 injury; and

10 2. The victim knew the conduct was a risk of:

11 a. his or her occupation,

12 b. recognized medical treatment, or

13 c. a scientific experiment conducted by recognized
14 methods.

15 C. The defense to prosecution provided by subsection B of this
16 section shall not be available to a defendant who commits an offense
17 described by subsection B of this section as a condition of the
18 defendant's or the victim's initiation or continued membership in a
19 criminal street gang, as defined in subsection F of Section 856 of
20 Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

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

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