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3 HOUSE BILL 1680

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to children; amending 10A O.S. 2021,  
8 Section 2-3-103, as amended by Section 1, Chapter  
9 242, O.S.L. 2022 (10A O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2-3-  
103), which relates to detention; modifying fee  
amount; and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2021, Section 2-3-103, as  
15 amended by Section 1, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 2022 (10A O.S. Supp. 2024,  
16 Section 2-3-103), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 2-3-103. A. Provision shall be made for the temporary  
18 detention of children in a juvenile detention facility or the court  
19 may arrange for the care and custody of such children temporarily in  
20 private homes, subject to the supervision of the court, or the court  
21 may provide shelter or may enter into a contract with any  
22 institution or agency to receive, for temporary care and custody,  
23 children within the jurisdiction of the court. The Office of  
24 Juvenile Affairs shall not be ordered to provide detention unless

1 said Office has designated and is operating detention services or  
2 facilities.

3       B. County sheriffs of the arresting agency, their designee, any  
4 peace officer, private contractors under contract with the Office of  
5 Juvenile Affairs for transportation services, or juvenile court  
6 officers shall provide for the transportation of juveniles to and  
7 from secure detention for purposes of admission, interfacility  
8 transfer, discharge, medical or dental attention, court appearance,  
9 or placement designated by the Office. No private contract for  
10 transportation services shall be entered into by the Office unless  
11 the private contractor demonstrates to the satisfaction of the  
12 Office that such contractor is able to obtain insurance or provide  
13 self-insurance to indemnify the Office against possible lawsuits and  
14 meets the requirements of subparagraphs a, b and d of paragraph 4 of  
15 subsection C of this section. The Office of Juvenile Affairs shall  
16 not be ordered to provide transportation for a juvenile who is  
17 detained in or is destined for secure detention. The Office of  
18 Juvenile Affairs shall provide reimbursement to the entity  
19 transporting juveniles for necessary and actual expenses for  
20 transporting juveniles who are detained in or destined for a secure  
21 detention center as follows:

22       1. A fee for the cost of personal services at the rate of  
23 ~~Seventeen Dollars (\$17.00)~~ Thirty-two Dollars (\$32.00) per hour;

1       2. Mileage reimbursement for each mile actually traveled at the  
2 rate established in the State Travel Reimbursement Act;

3       3. Meals for transporting personnel, not to exceed Ten Dollars  
4 (\$10.00) per meal; and

5       4. Meals for juveniles being transported, not to exceed Ten  
6 Dollars (\$10.00) per meal.

7       The Office of Juvenile Affairs shall process and mail  
8 reimbursement claims within sixty (60) days of receipt. Payments  
9 for services provided by a county sheriff's office shall be paid to  
10 the county and deposited in the service fee account of the sheriff.

11      C. 1. All juvenile detention facilities shall be certified by  
12 the Office of Juvenile Affairs. To be certified, a juvenile  
13 detention facility shall be required to meet standards for  
14 certification promulgated by the Board of Juvenile Affairs.

15      2. The board of county commissioners of every county shall  
16 provide for the temporary detention of a child who is or who may be  
17 subject to secure detention and may construct a building or rent  
18 space for such purpose. The boards of county commissioners shall  
19 provide for temporary detention services and facilities in  
20 accordance with the provisions of the State Plan for the  
21 Establishment of Juvenile Detention Services adopted pursuant to  
22 subsection D of this section and in accordance with subsections A  
23 and C of Section 2-7-608 of this title. The boards of county  
24 commissioners are hereby authorized to create multicounty trust

1 authorities for the purpose of operating juvenile detention  
2 facilities.

3       3. In order to operate the juvenile detention facilities  
4 designated in the State Plan for the Establishment of Juvenile  
5 Detention Services and in subsections A and C of Section 2-7-608 of  
6 this title, the boards of county commissioners in the designated  
7 host counties shall:

- 8           a. operate the juvenile detention facility through a  
9               statutorily constituted juvenile bureau subject to the  
10              supervision of the district court, or
- 11           b. operate the juvenile detention facility by employing a  
12              manager who may employ personnel and incur other  
13              expenses as may be necessary for its operation and  
14              maintenance, or
- 15           c. contract with a public agency, private agency,  
16              federally recognized tribe, or single or multi-county  
17              trust authority for the operation of the juvenile  
18              detention facility. In the event any board of county  
19              commissioners contracts with a public or private  
20              agency or a federally recognized tribe, pursuant to  
21              the provisions of this section, the Office is  
22              authorized to directly contract with and pay such  
23              public or private agency or federally recognized tribe  
24              for provision of detention services. Any contract

1                   with a federally recognized tribe shall become  
2                   effective upon approval by the board of county  
3                   commissioners.

4       4. Management contracts for privately operated detention  
5       facilities shall be negotiated with the firm found most qualified by  
6       the board of county commissioners. However, no private management  
7       contract shall be entered into by the board unless the private  
8       contractor demonstrates to the satisfaction of the board:

- 9               a. that the contractor has the qualifications,  
10               experience, and personnel necessary to implement the  
11               terms of the contract,
- 12               b. that the financial condition of the contractor is such  
13               that the term of the contract can be fulfilled,
- 14               c. that the ability of the contractor to obtain insurance  
15               or provide self-insurance to indemnify the county  
16               against possible lawsuits and to compensate the county  
17               for any property damage or expenses incurred due to  
18               the private operation of the juvenile detention  
19               facility, and
- 20               d. that the contractor has the ability to comply with  
21               applicable court orders and rules of the Office of  
22               Juvenile Affairs.

23       5. All counties to be served by a secure juvenile detention  
24       facility may, upon the opening of such facility, contract with the

1 operators for the use of the facility for the temporary detention of  
2 children who are subject to secure detention; provided, however, a  
3 jail, adult lockup, or other adult detention facility may be used  
4 for the secure detention of a child as provided for in Section 2-3-  
5 101 of this title.

6       6. Expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this  
7 section shall be paid from the general fund of the county or from  
8 other public funds lawfully appropriated for such purposes or from  
9 private funds that are available for such purposes. A county may  
10 also issue bonds for the construction of detention facilities.

11       7. The operation of a juvenile detention facility by a county  
12 shall constitute a quasi-judicial function and is also hereby  
13 declared to be a function of the State of Oklahoma for purposes of  
14 the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution. In  
15 addition, no contract authorized by the provisions of this section  
16 for the providing of transportation services or for the operation of  
17 a juvenile detention facility shall be awarded until the contractor  
18 demonstrates to the satisfaction of the county that the contractor  
19 has obtained liability insurance with the limits specified by The  
20 Governmental Tort Claims Act against lawsuits arising from the  
21 operation of the juvenile detention facility by the contractor, or  
22 if the contract is for the providing of transportation services, the  
23 contractor has obtained liability insurance with the limits  
24 specified by The Governmental Tort Claims Act against lawsuits

1 | arising from the transportation of juveniles as authorized by  
2 | subsection A of this section.

3 |       D. The Board of Juvenile Affairs, from monies appropriated for  
4 | that purpose, shall develop, adopt, and implement a plan for secure  
5 | juvenile detention services and alternatives to secure detention, to  
6 | be known as the State Plan for the Establishment of Juvenile  
7 | Detention Services, which shall provide for the establishment of  
8 | juvenile detention facilities and services with due regard for  
9 | appropriate geographical distribution and existing juvenile  
10 | detention programs operated by statutorily constituted juvenile  
11 | bureaus. Said plan may be amended or modified by the Board as  
12 | necessary and appropriate. Until said plan is adopted by the Board,  
13 | the plan adopted by the Commission for Human Services shall remain  
14 | in effect.

15 |       1. The Board of Juvenile Affairs shall establish procedures for  
16 | the letting of contracts or grants, including grants to existing  
17 | juvenile detention programs operated by statutorily constituted  
18 | juvenile bureaus, and the conditions and requirements for the  
19 | receipt of said grants or contracts for juvenile detention services  
20 | and facilities as provided in this section and Section 2-7-401 of  
21 | this title. A copy of such procedures shall be made available to  
22 | any member of the general public upon request. All such grants or  
23 | contracts shall require the participation of local resources in the  
24 | funding of juvenile detention facilities. A contract for services

1 shall be based upon a formula approved by the Board which shall set  
2 the contract amount in accordance with the services offered and the  
3 degree of compliance with standards for certification.

4       2. The Board of Juvenile Affairs shall establish standards for  
5 the certification of detention services and juvenile detention  
6 facilities. Such standards may include, but not be limited to:  
7 screening for detention; education and recreation opportunities for  
8 juveniles in secure detention; and accreditation by the American  
9 Correctional Association. As a condition of continuing eligibility  
10 for grants or contracts, secure juvenile detention services and  
11 facilities shall be certified by the Board within two (2) years of  
12 the date of the initial grant or contract.

13       E. The State Department of Health, with the assistance of the  
14 Office of Juvenile Affairs, shall establish standards for the  
15 certification of jails, adult lockups, and adult detention  
16 facilities used to detain juveniles. Such standards shall include  
17 but not be limited to: separation of juveniles from adults;  
18 supervision of juveniles; and health and safety measures for  
19 juveniles. The Department of Health is authorized to inspect any  
20 jail, adult lockup, or adult detention facility for the purpose of  
21 determining compliance with such standards. No jail, adult lockup,  
22 or other adult detention facility shall be used to detain juveniles  
23 unless such jail, adult lockup, or other adult detention facility  
24 complies with the standards established by the Department of Health

1 and is designated as a place for the detention of juveniles by the  
2 judge having juvenile docket responsibility in the county from a  
3 list of eligible facilities supplied by the Department of Health.

4 The development and approval of the standards provided for in  
5 this paragraph shall comply with the provisions of the  
6 Administrative Procedures Act.

7 F. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules providing  
8 for the routine recording and reporting of the use of any adult  
9 jail, lockup or other adult facility for the detention of any person  
10 under the age of eighteen (18).

11 1. For the purpose of ensuring the uniformity and compatibility  
12 of information related to the detention of persons under age  
13 eighteen (18), said rules shall be reviewed and approved by the  
14 Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth prior to their adoption by  
15 the Board; and

16 2. Records of detention shall be reviewed during each routine  
17 inspection of adult jails, lockups or other adult detention  
18 facilities inspected by the State Department of Health and a  
19 statistical report of said detentions shall be submitted to the  
20 Office of Juvenile Affairs at least every six (6) months in a form  
21 approved by the Board of Juvenile Affairs.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.  
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