

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 2369

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An Act relating to criminal procedure; creating the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission; providing for membership; designating chair of the Commission; providing for the election of a vice-chair; stating quorum of membership and meeting requirements; providing for travel reimbursement; requiring adherence to Oklahoma Open Meeting Act; stating duties of the Commission; directing submission of report to Legislature; providing staff for the Commission; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1801 of Title 22, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission. The Commission shall be composed of the following twelve (12) members:

1. The Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma or designee;

1 2. The Commissioner for the Oklahoma Department of Mental
2 Health and Substance Abuse Services or designee;

3 3. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections or
4 designee;

5 4. The Executive Coordinator of the District Attorneys Council
6 or designee;

7 5. The Administrative Director of the Administrative Office of
8 the Courts or designee;

9 6. The Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs or
10 designee;

11 7. The Director of the Department of Human Services or
12 designee;

13 8. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
14 Services or designee;

15 9. The Cabinet Secretary for Safety and Security or designee;

16 10. The President of the Oklahoma Sheriffs' Association or
17 designee;

18 11. The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Indigent Defense
19 System or designee; and

20 12. One member appointed by the Chief Justice of the Oklahoma
21 Supreme Court who is a licensed attorney with private or government
22 criminal defense experience.

23 B. The Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma shall serve
24 as the chair of the Commission. Members of the Commission shall

1 elect from their membership a vice-chair. A majority of the members
2 shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting the business
3 of the Commission. The Commission shall meet at least quarterly and
4 at such other times as may be called by the chair.

5 C. Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for
6 serving on the Commission but shall receive travel reimbursement as
7 follows:

8 1. State employees who are members of the Commission shall be
9 reimbursed for necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance
10 of their duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the
11 State Travel Reimbursement Act; and

12 2. All other members of the Commission shall be reimbursed by
13 the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for necessary
14 travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in
15 accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

16 D. The meetings of the Commission shall be subject to the
17 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

18 E. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission shall study,
19 evaluate and make recommendations concerning the creation of
20 diversion programs in Oklahoma including, but not limited to,
21 alternative sentencing, supervision and treatment options for
22 defendants who commit simple possession crimes. The Commission
23 shall also study, evaluate and make recommendations regarding all
24 criminal justice reform measures and legislation proposed.

1 F. The Commission shall prepare a report of its findings and
2 recommendations to be submitted to the Legislature no later than
3 February 1, 2020, and each year thereafter by no later than the
4 first day of February.

5 G. Staffing for the Commission shall be provided by the
6 Oklahoma State Senate and the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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