

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                               1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR ENGROSSED  
6 SENATE BILL NO. 1026

By: Dahm of the Senate

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10                               COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11           An Act relating to Prisons and Reformatories;  
12           amending 57 O.S. 2011, Section 521.1, as amended by  
13           Section 248, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (57 O.S. Supp.  
14           2018, Section 521.1), which relates to Reentry Policy  
15           Council; providing sunset date; updating statutory  
16           reference; and providing an effective date.

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

18           SECTION 1.           AMENDATORY           57 O.S. 2011, Section 521.1, as  
19           amended by Section 248, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (57 O.S. Supp.  
20           2018, Section 521.1), is amended to read as follows:

21           Section 521.1   A.   Upon ~~the effective date of this act~~ November  
22           1, 2007, a Reentry Policy Council shall be created, and shall  
23           continue until July 1, 2020, pursuant to the provisions of the  
24           Oklahoma Sunset Law, for the purpose of providing oversight of the

1 reentry policies and programs operated by the Department of  
2 Corrections. The Council shall consist of eleven (11) members and  
3 shall be appointed as follows:

4 1. Three members shall be appointed by the Governor as follows:

- 5 a. one member shall be a law enforcement officer,
- 6 b. one member shall be a corrections official, and
- 7 c. one member shall be a crime victim;

8 2. Four members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the  
9 Oklahoma House of Representatives as follows:

- 10 a. one member shall be a member of the Oklahoma House of  
11 Representatives,
- 12 b. one member shall be a representative of a faith-based  
13 organization involved with the reintegration of  
14 inmates,
- 15 c. one member shall be a person who has been previously  
16 convicted of a criminal offense in Oklahoma, and
- 17 d. one member shall be a mental health and substance  
18 abuse official; and

19 3. Four members shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore  
20 of the Oklahoma State Senate as follows:

- 21 a. one member shall be a member of the Oklahoma State  
22 Senate,

1           b.    one member shall be a representative from a for-profit  
2               half-way house who specializes in reintegration of  
3               inmates,

4           c.    one member shall be a representative from a nonprofit  
5               entity involved with the reintegration of inmates, and

6           d.    one member shall be a district attorney, or his or her  
7               designee.

8        B.   The Council shall:

9           1.   Review corrections policies, programs and procedures to  
10       ensure that the primary purpose of each is public safety during  
11       imprisonment and after release;

12          2.   Identify gaps in reentry programs and services as well as  
13       overlapping efforts, and recommend changes to address those issues;

14          3.   Review policies to ensure that corrections facilities  
15       recruit and welcome volunteers;

16          4.   Review the licensing procedures within this state to  
17       eliminate barriers to employment that are unrelated to the conduct  
18       underlying the conviction; and

19          5.   Report annually to the Legislature and the Governor on the  
20       progress of the reentry initiative, including the impact on  
21       recidivism, effectiveness of agency coordination and communications,  
22       and the implementation of reentry plans and use of funding.

23        C.   1.   Legislative members of the Council shall be reimbursed  
24       for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of

1 their duties in accordance with Section 456 of Title 74 of the  
2 Oklahoma Statutes from the legislative body in which they serve;

3 2. State agency employees who are members of the Council shall  
4 be reimbursed for their travel expenses incurred in the performance  
5 of their duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the  
6 State Travel Reimbursement Act; and

7 3. All other Council members shall be reimbursed by the Office  
8 of Management and Enterprise Services for travel expenses incurred  
9 in the performance of their duties on the Council in accordance with  
10 the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

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

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13 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, dated  
14 03/26/2019 - DO PASS, As Amended.  
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