

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2282

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
8 amending 57 O.S. 2011, Section 37, as last amended by
9 Section 1, Chapter 260, O.S.L. 2017 (57 O.S. Supp.
10 2018, Section 37), which relates to correctional
11 facilities that reach maximum capacity; removing time
12 limitation for transmitting sentencing documentation
13 to the Department of Corrections; directing court and
14 court clerk to transmit certain documentation;
15 deleting category of documentation that may be
16 transmitted to the Department; deleting exemption
17 from housing cost responsibilities for untimely
18 document submissions; and providing an effective
19 date.

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

21 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 37, as last
22 amended by Section 1, Chapter 260, O.S.L. 2017 (57 O.S. Supp. 2018,
23 Section 37), is amended to read as follows:

24 Section 37. A. If all correctional facilities reach maximum
capacity and the Department of Corrections is required to contract
for bed space to house state inmates:

1 1. The Pardon and Parole Board shall consider all nonviolent
2 offenders for parole who are within six (6) months of their
3 scheduled release from a penal facility; and

4 2. Prior to contracting with a private prison operator to
5 provide housing for state inmates, the Department shall send
6 notification to all county jails in this state that bed space is
7 required to house the overflow population of state inmates. Upon
8 receiving notification, the sheriff of a county jail is authorized
9 to enter into agreements with the Department to provide housing for
10 the inmates. Reimbursement for the cost of housing the inmates
11 shall be a negotiated per diem rate for each inmate as contracted
12 but shall in no event be less than the per diem rate provided for in
13 Section 38 of this title.

14 B. No inmate may be received by a penal facility from a county
15 jail without first scheduling a transfer with the Department.

16 ~~Within five (5) business days after the~~ The court orders the
17 ~~judgment and sentence, the county~~ or court clerk shall transmit to
18 the Department by facsimile, electronic mail, or actual delivery a
19 certified copy of:

20 1. The judgment and sentence certifying that the inmate is
21 sentenced to the Department of Corrections; or

22 2. A notice of judgment and sentence signed by the sentencing
23 judge or court clerk. The notice shall include the name of the
24 defendant, date of birth, case number, county of conviction, name of

1 the sentencing judge, the crime for which the defendant was
2 convicted, the sentence imposed, if multiple sentences whether the
3 sentences run concurrently or consecutively, and whether the
4 defendant is to receive credit for any time served. The notice of
5 judgment and sentence shall be substantially in the form provided
6 for in subsection ~~F~~ G of this section; ~~or~~

7 ~~3. Plea paperwork, Summary of Facts and Sentence on Plea or~~
8 ~~Sentencing After Jury Trial Summary of Facts may be used as~~
9 ~~sentencing documents.~~

10 C. The receipt of the certified copy of the judgment and
11 sentence shall be certification that the sentencing court has
12 entered a judgment and sentence and all other necessary commitment
13 documents. The Department of Corrections is authorized to determine
14 the appropriate method of delivery from each county based on
15 electronic or other capabilities, and establish a method for issuing
16 receipts certifying that the Department has received the judgment
17 and sentence document. Once an appropriate judgment and sentence
18 document, as listed in subsection B of this section, is ~~received by~~
19 transmitted to the Department of Corrections, the Department shall
20 contact the sheriff when bed space is available to schedule the
21 transfer and reception of the inmate into the Department. The
22 Department shall assume custody of an inmate from a county prior to
23 receiving the certified copy of the judgment and sentence upon
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1 receipt by the Department of any of the appropriate judgment and
2 sentence documents as listed in subsection B of this section.

3 D. If the Department receives a judgment and sentence document
4 from a county that includes inaccurate information from the
5 sentencing court, the Department shall notify the county within a
6 timely manner. ~~If a corrected judgment and sentence document is not
7 received by the Department within five (5) business days from the
8 date of notification, the Department will not be responsible for the
9 cost of housing the inmate in the county jail until such time that
10 an accurate judgment and sentence documents is received by the
11 Department.~~

12 E. When a county jail has reached its capacity of inmates as
13 provided in the standards set forth in Section 192 of Title 74 of
14 the Oklahoma Statutes, then the county sheriff shall notify the
15 Director of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, or the
16 Director's designated representative, by facsimile, electronic mail,
17 or actual delivery, that the county jail has reached or exceeded its
18 capacity to hold inmates. The notification shall include copies of
19 any judgment and sentences not previously delivered as required by
20 subsection B of this section. Then within seventy-two (72) hours
21 following such notification, the county sheriff shall transport the
22 designated excess inmate or inmates to a penal facility designated
23 by the Department. The sheriff shall notify the Department of the
24 transport of the inmate prior to the reception of the inmate. The

1 Department shall schedule the reception date and receive the inmate
2 within seventy-two (72) hours of notification that the county jail
3 is at capacity, unless other arrangements can be made with the
4 sheriff.

5 F. The Department will be responsible for the cost of housing
6 the inmate in the county jail including costs of medical care
7 provided from the date the judgment and sentence was ordered by the
8 court until the date of transfer of the inmate from the county jail.
9 The Department shall implement a policy for determination of
10 scheduled dates on which an inmate or multiple inmates are to be
11 transferred from county jails. The policy shall allow for no less
12 than three alternative dates from which the sheriff of a county jail
13 may select and shall provide for weather-related occurrences or
14 other emergencies that may prevent or delay transfers on the
15 scheduled date. The policy shall be available for review upon
16 request by any sheriff of a county jail. ~~If an appropriate judgment~~
17 ~~and sentence document, as listed in subsection B of this section, is~~
18 ~~not received by the Department within five (5) business days, the~~
19 ~~Department will not be responsible for the cost of housing the~~
20 ~~inmate in the county jail until the date the Department receives the~~
21 ~~necessary documentation.~~ Should the inmate not be transferred on
22 the date scheduled by the Department, the Department shall not be
23 responsible for any costs incurred beyond the date scheduled by the
24 Department. The cost of housing shall be the per diem rate

1 specified in Section 38 of this title. In the event the inmate has
2 one or more criminal charges pending in the same Oklahoma
3 jurisdiction and the county jail refuses to transfer the inmate to
4 the Department because of the pending charges, the Department shall
5 not be responsible for the housing costs of the inmate while the
6 inmate remains in the county jail with pending charges. Once the
7 inmate no longer has pending charges in the jurisdiction, the
8 Department shall be responsible for the housing costs of the inmate
9 for the period beginning on the date the judgment and sentence or
10 final order was received by the Department. In the event the inmate
11 has other criminal charges pending in another Oklahoma jurisdiction,
12 the Department shall be responsible for the housing costs while the
13 inmate remains in the county jail awaiting transfer to another
14 jurisdiction or until the date the inmate is scheduled to be
15 transferred to the Department, whichever is earlier. Once the
16 inmate is transferred to another jurisdiction, the Department is not
17 responsible for the housing cost of the inmate until such time that
18 another judgment and sentence is received by the Department from
19 another Oklahoma jurisdiction. The sheriff may submit invoices for
20 the cost of housing the inmate on a monthly basis. Final payment
21 for housing an offender will be made only after the official
22 judgment and sentence is received by the Department of Corrections.

23 G. Form for Notice of Judgment and Sentencing.

24 In the District Court of _____ County

1 The State of Oklahoma
2 State of Oklahoma,)
3 _____)
4 Plaintiff)
5)
6 vs.) Case No. _____
7 _____,) The Honorable Judge _____
8 Defendant)
9 D.O.B. _____)

10 NOTICE OF JUDGMENT AND SENTENCE

11 On this _____ day of _____, _____, to the best
12 knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the conviction(s) and
13 sentence(s) of the above-captioned defendant was/were announced and
14 ordered as ~~follow~~ follows:

15 Count 1: _____ O.S. _____

16 Count 1 Sentence: _____

17 Count 2: _____ O.S. _____

18 Count 2 Sentence: _____

19 Running Concurrently _____ or Running Consecutively _____

20 With Count _____

21 Count 3: _____ O.S. _____

22 Count 3 Sentence: _____

23 Running Concurrently _____ or Running Consecutively _____

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Count 4: _____ O.S. _____

Count 4 Sentence: _____

Running Concurrently _____ or Running Consecutively _____

With Count _____

Credit for time served: _____

Judge of the District Court

or

Clerk of the District Court

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

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