

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1557

By: Pugh of the Senate

3 and

4 Moore of the House

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6 An Act relating to evidence; providing for
7 admissibility of certain evidence; requiring
8 disclosure of evidence within specified time period;
9 defining term; providing for codification; and
10 providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2415 of Title 12, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. In a criminal case in which the defendant is accused of an
16 offense involving domestic violence or abuse, evidence of the
17 commission of another act of domestic violence or abuse by the
18 defendant is admissible and may be considered for its bearing on any
19 matter to which it is relevant.

20 B. In a criminal case in which the state intends to offer
21 evidence under this section, the attorney for the state shall
22 disclose the evidence to the defendant, including statements of
23 witnesses or a summary of the substance of any testimony that is
24 expected to be offered, at least fifteen (15) days before the

1 commencement of trial or at such later time as the court may allow
2 for good cause.

3 C. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to
4 limit the admission or consideration of evidence under any other
5 rule or provision of law.

6 D. For purposes of this section, "domestic violence or abuse"
7 means any incident of controlling, coercive, or threatening
8 behavior, violence, or other act of abuse against a person in a
9 relationship as specified in subsection C of Section 644 of Title 21
10 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The violence or abuse may be
11 psychological, physical, sexual, economic, or emotional.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

13 Passed the Senate the 7th day of March, 2024.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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17 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,

18 2024.

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