

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1854

By: Weaver, Rogers, and Jett of
the Senate

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7 An Act relating to the use of public lands; defining
8 term; prohibiting certain use of public lands;
9 designating certain action as a misdemeanor; allowing
for certain process for first violations; providing
for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1096 of Title 64, unless there
15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. As used in this section, "unauthorized camp" means any tent,
17 shelter, or bedding constructed or arranged for the purpose of or in
18 such a way to permit overnight use on a property not designated as a
19 campsite.

20 B. Persons may not use state-owned lands for the purposes of
21 establishing an unauthorized camp.

22 C. Any person who violates the provisions of this section
23 shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a
24 fine not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) or by imprisonment in the

1 county jail not to exceed fifteen (15) days, or by both such fine
2 and imprisonment. However, a person who commits a first violation
3 of this section shall be issued a warning, and a citation may not be
4 issued unless the person refuses any assistance offered to them by
5 the arresting officer. Such assistance may include, but is not
6 limited to, transportation to a shelter, food pantry, or other place
7 where resources are made available to assist the indigent and
8 homeless.

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

10 Passed the Senate the 5th day of March, 2024.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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

15 2024.

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