

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 3836
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Impact:	No Impact;

Subject to availability of funding

Research Analysis

HB 3836, as introduced, directs the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) to implement a Handle With Care (HWC) Oklahoma Program to enhance partnerships between schools, first responder agencies, and mental health services. ODMHSAS and the State Department of Education will include model protocol and training for the program to first responder agencies.

Each school district, city, county commission, or other political subdivision may develop a local HWC multi-disciplinary team (MDT). The team lead for the MDT will receive trauma-informed training.

Law enforcement officers are authorized to notify the program when a child may be affected by a traumatic event. Information submitted to the program must comply with privacy laws and only include essential details about the child's identity and the event. The local MDT will notify the child's school or childcare agency of the event.

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Fiscal Analysis

As written, the measure is subject to the availability of funding, therefore it is not anticipated to result in a negative fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.