

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 59<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB 901</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Research Analysis**

Engrossed Senate Bill 901 modifies the definition of “child abuse” as it relates to custody hearings to have the same meaning as “abuse” as currently defined in the Oklahoma Children’s Code. The measure also requires the court to consider harassment of a parent when considering child placement.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

SB 901 adds "child abuse" to a list of factors used in child custody proceedings which create a rebuttable presumption against a perpetrator having certain custodial rights. The measure also adds "harassment" of a parent who is the victim when considering the best interest of a child in such proceedings. In its current form, the measure deals exclusively with statutory elements for certain legal claims throughout related judicial proceedings. Therefore, the measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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**Other Considerations**

None.