

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1764

By: Kerbs and **Hall** of the House

and

**Hamilton** of the Senate

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10                   An Act relating to public lands; amending Section 1,  
11 Chapter 175, O.S.L. 2024 (64 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section  
12 1097), which relates to unauthorized camps;  
13 prohibiting use of county- or municipal-owned lands  
14 for unauthorized camps; authorizing counties and  
15 municipalities to opt out of prohibition; and  
16 providing an effective date.

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

17                   SECTION 1.           AMENDATORY           Section 1, Chapter 175, O.S.L.  
18 2024 (64 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 1097), is amended to read as  
19 follows:

20                   Section 1097. A. As used in this section, "unauthorized camp"  
21 means any tent, shelter, or bedding constructed or arranged for the  
22 purpose of or in such a way to permit overnight use on a property  
23 not designated as a campsite.

1 B. Persons may not use state-owned, county-owned, or municipal-  
2 owned lands for the purposes of establishing an unauthorized camp.

3 C. Any person who violates the provisions of this section  
4 shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a  
5 fine not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) or by imprisonment in the  
6 county jail not to exceed fifteen (15) days, or by both such fine  
7 and imprisonment. However, a person who commits a first violation  
8 of this section shall be issued a warning, and a citation may not be  
9 issued unless the person refuses any assistance offered to them by  
10 the arresting officer. Such assistance may include, but is not  
11 limited to, transportation to a shelter, food pantry, or other place  
12 where resources are made available to assist the indigent and  
13 homeless.

14 D. The governing body of any county or municipality may opt out  
15 of this section by a majority vote of the governing body.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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18 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
19 OVERSIGHT, dated 03/06/2025 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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