

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1574
Version:	INT
Request Number:	10981
Author:	Rep. Lawson
Date:	2/10/2025
Impact:	See Analysis Below

Research Analysis

HB 1574 amends duties of the Office of Juvenile System Oversight to authorize the Office to inspect privately-owned children's institutions and facilities that receive state or federal funding on a periodic basis or as needed. The Office will also investigate complaints filed regarding the children and youth service system. The Office also has the authority to examine and copy all records and budgets pertaining to the children and youth service system, interview residents of institutions and facilities, and subpoena witnesses and hold public hearings.

Prepared By: Suzie Nahach

Fiscal Analysis

HB 1574 expands the responsibilities of the Office of Juvenile System Oversight by directing the Office to inspect misfeasance and malfeasance within the children and youth system, including privately-operated institutions and facilities that receive state funding, as directed by the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth (OCCY). Additionally, the Office has the authority to examine records and budgets, the ability to interview residents within the children and youth service system, and subpoena witnesses and hold public hearings.

Given OCCY's current staffing and budget, agency officials anticipate that twelve (12) routine facility inspections could be conducted annually without additional appropriations.

Prepared By: Alexandra Ladner, House Fiscal Staff

Other Considerations

None.