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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to firearms; creating the Voluntary Firearm Restriction Act; defining terms; authorizing individuals to voluntarily place themselves on a firearm restriction list; describing contents of different restriction lists; directing the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation to develop processes and restriction list forms; directing the Bureau to maintain forms and publish forms on its website; providing contents of forms; providing procedures for requesting inclusion on restricted lists; directing law enforcement agencies to verify identity and transmit forms electronically to the Bureau; directing the Bureau to add names to restricted lists within certain time frame; providing procedures and limitations when seeking removal from the restricted lists; providing for extension requests; providing for the suspension and reinstatement of handgun licenses under certain circumstances; providing acknowledgment statements for restricted list request forms; establishing procedures when seeking removal from the restricted lists; directing the Bureau to remove individuals from restricted lists upon receipt of verified removal form; providing notification requirements; directing law enforcement agencies to maintain restricted list forms and destroy files upon receipt of certain notification; providing time limitations for destroying files; deeming forms and records confidential; authorizing the Bureau to promulgate certain policies and procedures; authorizing health care providers to deliver inclusion form upon request to the Bureau; directing the Bureau to create and publish certain form on its website; providing contents of forms; requiring completion of forms in the presence of health care providers; directing health care providers to verify

identities, complete forms, and electronically deliver forms to the Bureau; providing acknowledgment statements for certain forms; authorizing the Bureau to promulgate certain policies and procedures; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1289.31 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Sections 1 through 4 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the "Voluntary Firearm Restriction Act".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1289.31a of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

As used in the Voluntary Firearm Restriction Act:

- 1. "Bureau" means the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation;
- 2. "Firearm" means a pistol, handgun, rifle or shotgun, or a device that could be used as a dangerous weapon from which is expelled a projectile by action of an explosive;
 - 3. "Health care provider" means a person:
 - a. who provides health care or professional services related to health care, and
 - is acting within the scope of his or her license,certification, practice, education, or training; and

- 4. "Law enforcement agency" means any state, county or municipal agency or department which maintains custody of persons accused of, charged with or convicted of any criminal offense.
- SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1289.31b of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. An individual may voluntarily request to be restricted from the purchase or possession of firearms.
- B. An individual requesting to be restricted under subsection A of this section may request placement on one of the following restricted lists:
 - 1. A restricted list that:

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- a. restricts the individual from purchasing or possessing a firearm for one hundred eighty (180) days with automatic removal of the individual from the restricted list at the end of the one hundred eighty (180) days, and
- b. allows the individual to request removal thirty (30) days after the day on which the individual is added to the restricted list; or
- 2. A restricted list that:
 - restricts the individual from purchasing or possessing
 a firearm indefinitely, and

- b. allows the individual to request removal ninety (90)
 days after the day on which the individual is added to
 the restricted list.
 - C. 1. Subject to subsections H and I of this section, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall develop a process and forms for inclusion on, and removal from, a restricted list as described in subsection B of this section to be maintained by the Bureau.
 - 2. The Bureau shall make the forms for inclusion and removal available by download through the website of the Bureau and require, at a minimum, the following information for the individual described in subsection A of this section:
 - a. name,

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- b. address,
- c. date of birth,
- d. contact information,
- e. signature, and
- f. (1) if the individual is entered on the restricted
 list as described in paragraph 1 of subsection B
 of this section, an acknowledgment of the
 statement provided for in paragraph 1 of
 subsection H of this section, or
 - (2) if the individual is entered on the restricted list as described in paragraph 2 of subsection B

of this section, an acknowledgment of the statement provided for in paragraph 2 of subsection H of this section.

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- D. 1. An individual requesting inclusion on a restricted list under subsection B of this section shall:
 - a. deliver the completed form in person to a law enforcement agency, or
 - b. direct the health care provider of the individual under Section 4 of this act to electronically deliver the request of the individual to the Bureau.
- 2. If the completed form is delivered to the law enforcement agency, the law enforcement agency:
 - a. shall verify the identity of the individual before accepting the form,
 - b. may not accept a form from someone other than the individual named on the form, and
 - c. shall transmit the form electronically to the Bureau.
- E. Upon receipt of a verified form provided under this section or pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of this act requesting inclusion on a restricted list, the Bureau shall, within twenty-four (24) hours, add the name of the individual to the restricted list and submit the name of the individual to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS).

F. 1. For an individual added to the restricted list described in paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section:

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- a. the individual may not request removal from the restricted list unless the individual has been on the restricted list for at least thirty (30) days,
- b. the Bureau shall remove the individual from the restricted list one hundred eighty (180) days after the day on which the individual was added to the restricted list, unless the individual:
 - (1) requests to be removed from the restricted list after thirty (30) days;
 - (2) requests to remain on the restricted list, or
 - (3) directs the health care provider of the individual to request that he or she remain on the restricted list,
- c. a request for an extension shall be made in the same manner as the original request, and
- d. the individual may continue to request, or direct the health care provider of the individual to continue to request, extensions every one hundred eighty (180) days.
- 2. For an individual added to a restricted list described in paragraph 2 of subsection B of this section, the individual:

- a. may not request removal from the restricted list unless the individual has been on the restricted list for at least ninety (90) days, and
- b. shall remain on the restricted list, unless the Bureau receives a request from the individual to have his or her name removed from the restricted list.
- G. If an individual restricted under this section is licensed to carry a handgun pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, the handgun license of the individual shall be:
 - 1. Suspended upon entry on the restricted list; and

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- 2. Reinstated upon removal from the restricted list, unless the permit has been revoked, been suspended for a reason other than under the provisions of this section, or has expired.
- H. 1. The form for an individual seeking to be placed on the restricted list described in paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section shall have the following language prominently displayed before the signature:

"ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By presenting this completed form to a law enforcement agency, I understand that I am requesting that my name be placed on a restricted list that restricts my ability to purchase or possess firearms for a minimum of thirty (30) days, and up to six (6) months. I understand that by voluntarily making myself a temporarily restricted person, I may not have a firearm in my

possession and any attempt to purchase a firearm while I am on the restricted list will be declined. I also understand that any time after thirty (30) days, I may request removal from the restricted list and all previous rights will be restored. In addition, if I am in possession of a valid handgun license, my handgun license will be suspended during the time I am on the restricted list, but will be reinstated upon my removal, unless the permit has expired, been revoked, been suspended for another reason, or I become ineligible to possess a firearm. Additionally, I acknowledge that if I possess a firearm or attempt to purchase a firearm while outside the State of Oklahoma, I will be subject to the law of that location regarding restricted persons."

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2. The form for an individual seeking to be placed on the restricted list described in paragraph 2 of subsection B of this section shall have the following language prominently displayed before the signature:

"ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By presenting this completed form to a law enforcement agency, I understand that I am requesting that my name be placed on a restricted list that restricts my ability to purchase or possess firearms indefinitely. I understand that by voluntarily making myself a temporarily restricted person, I may not have a firearm in my possession and any attempt to purchase a firearm while I am on the restricted list will be declined. I also understand that any

time after ninety (90) days, I may request removal from the restricted list and all previous rights will be restored. In addition, if I am in possession of a valid handgun license, my handgun license will be suspended during the time I am on the restricted list, but will be reinstated upon my removal, unless the permit has expired, been revoked, been suspended for another reason, or I become ineligible to possess a firearm. Additionally, I acknowledge that if I possess a firearm or attempt to purchase a firearm while outside the State of Oklahoma, I will be subject to the law of that location regarding restricted persons."

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- I. 1. An individual requesting removal from a restricted list shall deliver a completed removal form in person to:
 - a. the law enforcement agency that processed the inclusion form if the individual was placed on the restricted list pursuant to subparagraph a of paragraph 1 of subsection D of this section, or
 - b. the local law enforcement agency of the individual if the individual was placed on the restricted list pursuant to subparagraph b of paragraph 1 of subsection D of this section.
- 2. The law enforcement agency described in paragraph 1 of this subsection:
 - a. shall verify the identity of the individual before accepting the form,

b. may not accept a removal form from someone other than the individual named on the form, and

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- c. shall transmit the removal form electronically to the Bureau.
- J. Upon receipt of a verified removal form, the Bureau shall, after three (3) business days, remove the individual from the restricted list and remove the information from the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS).
- K. For an individual added to the restricted list under paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section, within thirty (30) days before the 180-day removal deadline, the Bureau shall notify the individual at the address listed on the inclusion form and, if applicable, the law enforcement agency that processed the inclusion form, that the individual is due to be removed from the restricted list, and the date on which the removal will occur, unless the individual requests an extension of up to one hundred eighty (180) days.
- L. 1. A law enforcement agency that receives a request for inclusion shall:
 - a. maintain the completed form and all subsequent completed forms in a separate file, and
 - b. for an individual added to the restricted list under paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section, destroy the entire file within five (5) days after the date

indicated in the notification if the individual does not request an extension after notification in accordance with subsection K of this section.

2. A law enforcement agency that receives a removal request under subsection I of this section shall destroy the entire file associated with the individual within five (5) days after the date on which the information is transmitted to the Bureau.

- 3. Upon removal of an individual from a restricted list, the Bureau shall destroy all records related to the inclusion and removal of the individual within five (5) days after the date on which the individual was removed.
- 4. All forms and records created in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be deemed confidential. The handling of any records maintained by the Bureau shall comply with all applicable state and federal privacy laws.
- M. The Bureau shall be authorized to promulgate policies and procedures to implement the provisions of this act.
- SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1289.31c of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. An individual who is seeking inclusion on a restricted list under Section 3 of this act may direct the health care provider of the individual to electronically deliver the inclusion request of the individual described in Section 3 of this act to the Bureau.

B. In addition to the inclusion form described in Section 3 of this act, the Bureau shall create a form, available by download through the website of the Bureau, for:

- 1. An individual who is directing a health care provider to electronically deliver the inclusion request of the individual and require, at a minimum, the following information:
 - a. the signature of the individual,
 - b. the name of the health care provider of the individual, and
 - c. the acknowledgment of the individual of the statement as provided for in paragraph 1 of subsection D of this section; and
- 2. A health care provider who is delivering an inclusion form for an individual and require, at a minimum, the following information for the health care provider:
 - a. the name of the health care provider,
 - b. the name of the organization of the health care provider,
 - c. the license or certification of the health care provider, including the license or certification number,
 - d. the signature of the health care provider, and

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- e. the acknowledgment of the health care provider of the statement in paragraph 2 of subsection D of this section.
- C. 1. An individual who is directing a health care provider to electronically deliver his or her request to be included on a restricted list shall, in the presence of the health care provider, complete the forms described in Section 3 of this act and as provided for in paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section.
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- a. shall verify the identity of the individual before accepting the forms,
- b. shall not accept forms from someone other than the individual named on the forms,
- c. shall complete the form described in paragraph 2 of subsection B of this section, and
- d. shall deliver the request to the Bureau electronically and maintain a copy of the completed request in the health record of the individual.
- D. 1. The form described in paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section shall have the following language prominently displayed before the signature:

"ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By presenting this completed form to my health care provider, I understand that I am requesting that my health care provider present

my name to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation to be placed on a restricted list that restricts my ability to purchase or possess firearms."

2. The form described in paragraph 2 of subsection B of this section shall have the following language prominently displayed before the signature:

"ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By presenting this completed form to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, I understand that I am acknowledging that I have verified the identity of [name of individual seeking inclusion on a restricted list] and have witnessed [name of individual] sign the form requesting that [name of individual] be placed on a restricted list that restricts the ability of [name of individual] to purchase or possess firearms. I affirm that [name of individual] is currently my patient, and I am a licensed health care provider acting within the scope of my license, certification, practice, education, or training."

- E. The Bureau shall be authorized to promulgate policies and procedures to implement the provisions of this act.
- SECTION 5. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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