

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 684

By: Jolley of the Senate

3 and

4 Hickman of the House

5  
6 [ prisons and county jails - capacity of correctional  
7 facilities and jail reimbursement rates - time  
8 limitation for transmitting - authorizing  
9 transmission of certain notice - Department of  
10 Corrections - responsibilities - housing costs -  
11 effective date ]

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 37, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 37. A. If all correctional facilities reach maximum  
16 capacity and the Department of Corrections is required to contract  
17 for bed space to house state inmates, ~~then the:~~

18 1. The Pardon and Parole Board shall consider all nonviolent  
19 offenders for parole who are within six (6) months of their  
20 scheduled release from a penal facility; and

21 2. Prior to contracting with a private prison operator to  
22 provide housing for state inmates, the Department shall send  
23 notification to all county jails in this state which have previously  
24 requested in writing to be notified that bed space is required to  
house the overflow population of state inmates. Upon receiving

1 notification, the sheriff of a county jail is authorized to enter  
2 into agreements with the Department to provide housing for the  
3 inmates. A county interested in bidding to provide contract beds  
4 with the Department of Corrections must comply with the Department's  
5 standards and requirements required of a private contractor.

6 B. No inmate may be received by a penal facility from a county  
7 jail without first scheduling a transfer with the Department. ~~The~~  
8 ~~sheriff or~~ Within three (3) business days after the court filed the  
9 judgment and sentence, the court clerk, district attorney or  
10 district judge shall transmit by facsimile, electronic mail, or  
11 actual delivery a certified copy of the judgment and sentence  
12 certifying that the inmate is sentenced to the Department of  
13 Corrections. A notice of judgment and sentence shall include the  
14 style of the case, including the name of the defendant, case number,  
15 county of conviction, and the name of the sentencing judge. It  
16 shall also include identifying information of the defendant to  
17 include name, alias, date of birth, and last four numbers of the  
18 social security number. For each count that resulted in a sentence  
19 of imprisonment, the sentencing information shall identify the  
20 offense and the citation for the offense. The necessary information  
21 shall include the case number(s) and jurisdiction of any former  
22 convictions used to enhance the sentence and the sentence and  
23 punishment ordered for each count and whether the sentence for each  
24 count is to run concurrently or consecutively to any other counts or

1 other cases and whether the defendant is to receive credit for time  
2 served. Plea paperwork, Summary of Facts and Sentence on Plea or  
3 Sentencing After Jury Trial Summary of Facts may be used as  
4 sentencing documents. The receipt of the certified copy of the  
5 judgment and sentence shall be certification that the sentencing  
6 court has entered a judgment and sentence and all other necessary  
7 commitment documents. The Department of Corrections is authorized  
8 to determine the appropriate method of delivery from each county  
9 based on electronic or other capabilities. Once the judgment and  
10 sentence is received by the Department of Corrections, the  
11 Department shall contact the sheriff when bed space is available to  
12 schedule the transfer and reception of the inmate into the  
13 Department.

14 C. When a county jail has reached its capacity of inmates as  
15 defined in Section 192 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, then  
16 the county sheriff shall notify the Director of the Oklahoma  
17 Department of Corrections, or the Director's designated  
18 representative, by facsimile, electronic mail, or actual delivery,  
19 that the county jail has reached or exceeded its capacity to hold  
20 inmates. The notification shall include copies of any judgment and  
21 sentences not previously delivered as required by subsection B of  
22 this section. Then within seventy-two (72) hours following such  
23 notification, the county sheriff shall transport the designated  
24 excess inmate or inmates to a penal facility designated by the

1 Department. The sheriff shall notify the Department of the  
2 transport of the inmate prior to the reception of the inmate. The  
3 Department shall schedule the reception date and receive the inmate  
4 within seventy-two (72) hours of notification that the county jail  
5 is at capacity, unless other arrangements can be made with the  
6 sheriff.

7 D. ~~Once the judgment and sentence is transmitted to the~~  
8 ~~Department of Corrections, the~~ The Department will be responsible  
9 for the cost of housing the inmate in the county jail from the date  
10 the judgment and sentence ~~was~~ were ordered by the court until the  
11 date of transfer of the inmate is scheduled to be transferred to the  
12 Department from the county jail. If the judgment and sentence  
13 documents are not received by the Department within three (3)  
14 business days, the Department of Corrections will not be responsible  
15 for the cost of housing the inmate in the county jail from the date  
16 of sentencing until the date the Department receives the necessary  
17 documentation. Should the inmate not be transferred on the date  
18 scheduled by the Department, the Department shall not be responsible  
19 for any costs incurred beyond the date scheduled by the Department.  
20 The cost of housing shall be the per diem rate specified in Section  
21 38 of this title. In the event the inmate has one or more criminal  
22 charges pending in the same Oklahoma jurisdiction and the county  
23 jail determines it will not transfer the inmate to the Department  
24 because of the pending charges, the Department shall not be

1 responsible for the housing costs of the inmate while the inmate  
2 remains in the county jail with pending charges. Once the inmate no  
3 longer has pending charges in the jurisdiction, the Department shall  
4 be responsible for the housing costs of the inmate for the period  
5 beginning on the date the Department received the judgment and  
6 sentence or final order issued in the pending case and ending on the  
7 date the inmate is scheduled to be transferred to the Department.

8 In the event the inmate has other criminal charges pending in  
9 another Oklahoma jurisdiction, the Department shall be responsible  
10 for the housing costs while the inmate remains in the county jail  
11 awaiting transfer to another jurisdiction or until the date the  
12 inmate is scheduled to be transferred to the Department, whichever  
13 is earlier. Once the inmate is transferred to another jurisdiction,  
14 the Department is not responsible for the housing cost of the inmate  
15 until such time that another judgment and sentence is received by  
16 the Department from another Oklahoma jurisdiction. The sheriff  
17 shall be reimbursed by the Department for the cost of housing the  
18 inmate in one of two ways:

19 1. The sheriff may submit invoices for the cost of housing the  
20 inmate on a monthly basis; or

21 2. The sheriff may submit one invoice for the total amount due  
22 for the inmate after the Department has received the inmate.

1        Final payment for housing an offender will be made only after  
2 the official judgment and sentence are received by the Department of  
3 Corrections.

4        SECTION 2.        AMENDATORY        57 O.S. 2011, Section 38, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6        Section 38.    ~~Until January 1, 2007, the Department of~~  
7 ~~Corrections shall reimburse any county, which is required to retain~~  
8 ~~an inmate pursuant to paragraph 2 of Section 37 of this title, in an~~  
9 ~~amount not to exceed Twenty four Dollars (\$24.00) per day for each~~  
10 ~~inmate during such period of retention. The proceeds of this~~  
11 ~~reimbursement shall be used to defray expenses of equipping and~~  
12 ~~maintaining the jail and payment of personnel. The Department of~~  
13 ~~Corrections shall reimburse the county for the emergency medical~~  
14 ~~care for physical injury or illness of the inmate retained under~~  
15 ~~this act if the injury or illness is directly related to the~~  
16 ~~incarceration and the county is required by law to provide such care~~  
17 ~~for inmates in the jail. The Department shall not pay fees for~~  
18 ~~medical care in excess of the rates established for Medicaid~~  
19 ~~providers. The state shall not be liable for medical charges in~~  
20 ~~excess of the Medicaid scheduled rate. The Director may accept any~~  
21 ~~inmate required to have extended medical care upon application of~~  
22 ~~the county. Effective January 1, 2007, the The Department of~~  
23 ~~Corrections shall reimburse any county,~~ which is required to retain  
24 an inmate pursuant to ~~paragraph 2~~ subsection D of Section 37 of this

1 title~~7~~ in an amount not to exceed Twenty-seven Dollars (\$27.00) per  
2 day for each inmate during such period of retention. The proceeds  
3 of this reimbursement shall be used to defray expenses of equipping  
4 and maintaining the jail and payment of personnel. The Department  
5 of Corrections shall reimburse the county for the emergency medical  
6 care for physical injury or illness of the inmate retained under  
7 this act if the injury or illness is directly related to the  
8 incarceration and the county is required by law to provide such care  
9 for inmates in the jail. The Department shall not pay fees for  
10 medical care in excess of the rates established for Medicaid  
11 providers. The state shall not be liable for medical charges in  
12 excess of the Medicaid scheduled rate. The Director may accept any  
13 inmate required to have extended medical care upon application of  
14 the county.

15 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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