## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 1001

By: Smalley of the Senate

and

Echols of the House

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[ investigation of inmates escaped from the

Department of Corrections - allowing certain

investigations and warrants - effective date -

emergency ]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 508.4, is amended to read as follows:

Section 508.4. A. There is hereby created the Investigations
Division within the Department of Corrections. The purpose of the
Division shall be to investigate allegations of criminal acts by
inmates, offenders or employees of the Department of Corrections, as
well as to investigate allegations of constitutional or policy
violations.

- B. The Director of the Department of Corrections shall employ the proper personnel and adopt the necessary procedures to carry out the duties of the Investigations Division and shall appoint a Director of the Division who shall administer the activities of the Division.
- C. The Investigations Division of the Department of Corrections shall have the jurisdiction and authority to investigate all allegations of criminal behavior at any facility owned or operated by the Department of Corrections, or any private prison facility or other facility with which the Department of Corrections contracts to house inmates from the State of Oklahoma.
- D. The Investigations Division shall have jurisdiction and authority to investigate any escape committed by prisoners under the custody and control of the Department of Corrections. If it is determined that a prisoner has escaped the custody of the Department, in violation of Section 443 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Department is authorized to issue a warrant for the arrest of the escapee and the warrant shall have the force and effect of any warrant of arrest issued by a district court in the state. Nothing in this section shall affect the authority of a district attorney to issue an arrest warrant for the escapee.
  - SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2016.
- SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

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declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval. COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS, dated 04/06/2016 - DO PASS, As Amended. 1 0 1 1 1 5 2 0 2 1 2 3