

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

February 13, 2024

2 **AS AMENDED**

3 SENATE BILL NO. 1706

By: Gollihare

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6 **[ misdemeanor arrests - detention - transport -  
7 arraignment - effective date ]**  
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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

10 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2021, Section 177, as  
11 amended by Section 1, Chapter 204, O.S.L. 2023 (22 O.S. Supp. 2023,  
12 Section 177), is amended to read as follows:

13 Section 177. A. If the offense charged in the warrant be a  
14 misdemeanor and the defendant comes in contact with a law  
15 enforcement officer in another county, the law enforcement officer  
16 may:

17 1. Issue a verbal warning about the existence of the warrant  
18 and further advise the defendant to contact the clerk of the court  
19 for the purpose of resolving the outstanding warrant. All verbal  
20 warnings shall be documented by the law enforcement officer on a  
21 department-issued warning ticket; or

22 2. Arrest the defendant and take the defendant before a  
23 magistrate in that county, or the image of the defendant may be  
24 broadcast by closed circuit television to the magistrate, as

1 provided in Section 176 of this title, who must admit the defendant  
2 to bail and take bail accordingly.

3 B. The defendant may be detained in the county of the  
4 defendant's apprehension for a reasonable period of time prior to  
5 transport without such detention being considered an unnecessary  
6 delay as prohibited by Section 181 of this title. The arresting law  
7 enforcement agency shall transport the defendant to the county where  
8 the offense is triable as soon as reasonably practicable. The  
9 defendant in custody may be arraigned by the court in which the  
10 indictment or information for the arresting offense is filed by  
11 videoconference as authorized in Section 130 of Title 20 of the  
12 Oklahoma Statutes.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY  
15 February 13, 2024 - DO PASS AS AMENDED

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