

1 ENGROSSED SENATE AMENDMENT  
TO

2 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 1121

By: Martinez and Biggs of the  
House

4 and

5 Bice of the Senate

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8 An Act relating to domestic violence; creating the  
9 Oklahoma Integrated Domestic Violence Court Act of  
10 2017; authorizing counties to establish and maintain  
11 integrated domestic violence courts; defining term;  
12 allowing single judge to preside over multiple  
13 criminal and civil cases; authorizing the  
14 Administrative Office of the Courts to promulgate  
15 rules, procedures and forms; providing for  
16 codification; providing for noncodification; and  
17 providing an effective date.

18 AUTHOR: Add the following Senate Coauthors: Loveless and Bergstrom

19 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 1, strike the title, enacting clause and  
20 entire bill and insert

21 "An Act relating to domestic violence; creating the  
22 Oklahoma Domestic Violence Court Act of 2017;  
23 authorizing establishment of domestic violence court  
24 programs; defining term; authorizing certain  
appointment; authorizing the Administrative Office of  
the Courts to promulgate rules, procedures and forms;  
providing for codification; providing for  
noncodification; and providing an effective date.

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

1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
2 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

3 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma  
4 Domestic Violence Court Act of 2017".

5 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
6 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 61 of Title 22, unless there is  
7 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

8 A. Subject to the availability of funds, any district or  
9 municipal court of record of this state may establish and maintain a  
10 domestic violence court program pursuant to the provisions of this  
11 section.

12 B. For purposes of this section, "domestic violence court"  
13 means a specialized judicial process for domestic matters both civil  
14 and criminal in nature that arise out of the same family or domestic  
15 circumstance.

16 C. The presiding judge of a district or municipal court of  
17 record may appoint an individual judge to preside over related  
18 criminal, family and matrimonial matters that arise in the context  
19 of domestic violence. Criminal domestic violence charges,  
20 protective orders and any actions for divorce, separate maintenance,  
21 guardianship, adoption or any other proceeding involving custody or  
22 visitation between the same parties may be presented to the domestic  
23 violence court.

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1 D. The Administrative Office of the Courts may promulgate  
2 rules, procedures and forms necessary to implement a domestic  
3 violence court to ensure statewide uniformity.

4 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017."  
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6 Passed the Senate the 25th day of April, 2017.  
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9 Presiding Officer of the Senate

10 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
11 2017.

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

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21 Integrated Domestic Violence Court Act of 2017".

22 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 61 of Title 22, unless there is  
24 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any district or municipal court of this state may establish  
and maintain an integrated domestic violence court program pursuant

1 to the provisions of this section and subject to the availability of  
2 funds.

3 B. For purposes of this section, "integrated domestic violence  
4 court" means a specialized judicial process for domestic matters  
5 both civil and criminal in nature that arise out of the same family  
6 or domestic circumstance.

7 C. In order to simplify the process and ensure effective case  
8 resolution, a single judge shall preside over related criminal,  
9 family and matrimonial matters that arise in the context of domestic  
10 violence. Criminal domestic violence charges, protective orders and  
11 any actions for divorce, separate maintenance, guardianship,  
12 adoption or any other proceeding involving custody or visitation  
13 between the same intimate partners may be presented to the  
14 integrated domestic violence court.

15 D. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall promulgate  
16 rules, procedures and forms necessary to implement an integrated  
17 domestic violence court to ensure statewide uniformity in procedures  
18 and forms.

19 SECTION 6. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.  
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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 14th day of February,  
2017.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

6 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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