

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2567

By: Caldwell (Chad) of the
House

and

McCortney of the Senate

11 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

12 An Act relating to prison system training program;
13 providing for a hospice care training program within
14 the state prison system; providing for training
15 requirements; providing for review of applicants;
16 providing for program completion certificates;
17 providing authority for promulgation of rules;
18 providing for construal of provision; providing for
19 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

21 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-863 of Title 63, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

24 A. The Department of Corrections may establish a Nurse Aide
training program for eligible inmates, who are in work assignments,

1 which will provide long term end-of-life care to fellow inmates.
2 The curriculum will follow established training requirements for
3 Nurse Aides as provided in Section 1-1951 of Title 63 of the
4 Oklahoma Statutes. The Chief Medical Officer of the Department of
5 Corrections will have oversight of the training program.

6 B. Inmates with convictions pursuant to the provisions of
7 Section 1-1950.1 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes are prohibited
8 from participation unless written permission to participate is
9 granted by the State Department of Health. Eligible inmates are
10 subject to a criminal background check, as provided in Section 1-
11 1947 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

12 C. Upon successful completion of the training program provided
13 for in this section, the Department of Corrections shall issue a
14 program completion certificate to the inmate. The Department of
15 Corrections in cooperation with the Department of Health and the
16 Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education shall develop
17 appropriate processes to submit notice of training completion and
18 application for licensure or certification to the State Department
19 of Health in a manner prescribed by the State Department of Health.

20 D. The Department of Corrections, in consultation with the
21 State Department of Health, shall have authority to promulgate rules
22 to maintain the curriculum established pursuant to subsection A of
23 this section.

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1 E. Nothing in this section shall be construed to establish a
2 right to employment with any licensed hospice provider.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.
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5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS,
6 dated 03/01/2021 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.
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