

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR ENGROSSED
5 HOUSE BILL 2797

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Peterson, Strohm, Kern,
Bennett, Christian, Ritze
and Moore of the House

6 and

7 Griffin of the Senate
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11 An Act relating to public health; requiring State
12 Department of Health to develop certain form;
13 providing contents of form; requiring certain
14 postings and disclosures of information; requiring
posting of certain information in certain facilities;
directing promulgation of rules; providing for
codification; and providing an effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-751 of Title 63, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. The State Department of Health shall develop, update
22 annually and maintain an electronic form containing information
23 concerning public and private agencies and services available to
24 assist a woman through pregnancy, upon childbirth and while the

1 child is dependent, which shall include a comprehensive list of the
2 agencies available, including adoption agencies, a description of
3 the services they offer and a description of the manner, including
4 telephone numbers and email addresses, by which they might be
5 contacted. The Department shall index this form geographically and
6 shall make it readily accessible on the Department's website. The
7 website shall include the following statement:

8 "There are many public and private agencies willing and able to
9 help you carry your child to term and assist you and your child
10 after your child is born, whether you choose to keep your child
11 or to place him or her for adoption. The State of Oklahoma
12 strongly urges you to contact them if you are pregnant."

13 B. The statement required by subsection A of this section shall
14 include the hyperlink to the section of the Department's Internet
15 website containing the information required by subsection A of this
16 section and shall be made available in a downloadable format
17 appropriate for display.

18 C. On or before January 1, 2018, the Department shall require
19 each facility in this state which is open to the public, containing
20 a restroom available to the public and licensed by the State
21 Department of Health to post signage in its restroom containing the
22 statement provided by subsection A of this section. The Department
23 shall ensure all facilities are in compliance with this act on or
24 before January 1, 2019.

1 D. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules to
2 implement the provisions of this section.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.

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