

# An Act

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 870

By: David and Fields of the  
Senate

and

Osborn (Leslie) and Wallace  
of the House

An Act relating to the Office of Juvenile Affairs;  
amending 10A O.S. 2011, Section 2-2-703, which  
relates to reimbursement for care of a child;  
expanding uses for which certain funds may be spent;  
providing an effective date; and declaring an  
emergency.

SUBJECT: Office of Juvenile Affairs

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2011, Section 2-2-703, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 2-2-703. A. If, after notice to the parent or parents  
of the child or other persons legally obligated to care for and  
support the child, and after affording said person or persons an  
opportunity to be heard, the court finds that the parent or parents  
of the child or other person is able to pay all or part of the costs  
and expenses set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this subsection,  
the court may order the person or persons to pay the same and  
prescribe the method of payment, as follows:

1. Reimburse the court fund, in whole or in part, for any  
disbursements made from the court fund in conjunction with the case,  
including, but not limited to, court-appointed attorney fees, expert  
witness fees, sheriff's fees, witness fees, transcripts and postage;

2. Pay for the care and maintenance of the child, including, but not limited to, all or some part of placement services, medical care, ~~and~~ behavioral health services, outcome incentive payments for providers and reasonable monthly expenses, as authorized by law;

3. Reimburse the Office of Juvenile Affairs, in whole or in part, for any costs and expenses incurred by the Office in providing any services or authorized actions taken pursuant to the Oklahoma Juvenile Code for the child; and

4. Reimburse any law enforcement agency, in whole or in part, for any costs or expenses incurred by the law enforcement agency for custodial services or other authorized actions taken pursuant to the Oklahoma Juvenile Code.

The court may also order the assignment of benefits of medical insurance coverage for the child to the Office of Juvenile Affairs for the period of time the child is in the custody of the Office of Juvenile Affairs.

B. The court shall use the child support guidelines provided for in Section 118 of Title 43 of the Oklahoma Statutes in determining the amount a parent is to pay for care and maintenance of a child. If any parent is financially able but has willfully failed to pay any costs or reimbursements as ordered by the court pursuant to this section, the parent may be held in indirect civil contempt of court and, upon conviction, shall be punished pursuant to Section 566 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. The court shall have the right, upon conducting an evidentiary hearing, to modify its orders for care and maintenance, as the conditions or needs of the child or children may require and the ability of the person or persons held to pay may afford. The court may order support payments to be made pursuant to Section 413 of Title 43 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to the Department of Human Services Centralized Support Registry.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2017.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 12th day of May, 2017.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 18th day of May, 2017.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this \_\_\_\_\_

day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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