STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL NO. 2369

By: Kannady of the House and

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An Act relating to criminal procedure; creating the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission; providing for membership; designating cochairs of the Commission; stating quorum of membership and meeting requirements; providing for travel reimbursement; requiring adherence to Oklahoma Open Meeting Act; stating duties of Commission; directing submission of report to Legislature; providing staff for the Commission; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1801 of Title 22, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created, until December 1, 2021, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission. The Commission shall be composed of the following thirteen (13) members:

1. The Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma or designee;
2. The Commissioner for the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services or designee;
3. The Director of the Department of Corrections or designee;
4. The Director of the Pardon and Parole Board or designee;
5. The Executive Coordinator of the District Attorneys Council or designee;
6. The Administrative Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts or designee;
7. The Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs or designee;
8. The Director of the Department of Human Services or designee;
9. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services or designee;
10. The Cabinet Secretary for Safety and Security or designee;
11. The President of the Oklahoma Sheriffs' Association or designee;
12. The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System or designee; and
13. One member appointed by the Chief Justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court who is a licensed attorney with private or government criminal defense experience.

B. The Cabinet Secretary for Safety and Security and the Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma shall serve as co-chairs
of the Commission. A majority of the members shall constitute a
quorum for the purpose of conducting the business of the Commission.
The Commission shall meet at least quarterly and at such other times
as may be called by the chairs.

C. Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for
serving on the Commission but shall receive travel reimbursement as
follows:

1. State employees who are members of the Commission shall be
reimbursed for necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance
of their duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the
State Travel Reimbursement Act; and

2. All other members of the Commission shall be reimbursed by
the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for necessary
travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in
accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

D. The meetings of the Commission shall be subject to the
Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

E. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission shall study,
evaluate and make recommendations concerning the creation of
diversion programs in this state including, but not limited to,
alternative sentencing, supervision and treatment options for
defendants who commit simple possession crimes. The Commission
shall also study, evaluate and make recommendations regarding all
criminal justice reform measures and legislation proposed.
F. The Commission shall prepare a report of its findings and recommendations to be submitted to the Legislature no later than February 1, 2020, and each year thereafter by no later than the first day of February.

G. Staffing for the Commission shall be provided by the Office of the Oklahoma Attorney General.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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