

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 721

By: Sykes of the Senate

and

Peterson of the House

An Act relating to trafficking in children; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 865, which relates to definitions; adding definition; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Trafficking in children

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 865, is amended to read as follows:

Section 865. As used in this act the terms hereinafter enumerated shall have the following meanings:

1. "Advertising" or "Advertisement" means any communication that originates within this state by newspaper, periodical, telephone book listing, outdoor advertising sign, radio, television or any communication that is disseminated through the use of a computer or related electronic device including, but not limited to, electronic mail, websites, weblogs, search engines, banner messages, pop-up messages, chat rooms, list servers, instant messaging or other Internet presences, and any attachments or links related thereto;

2. "Child" means an unmarried or unemancipated person under the age of eighteen (18) years;

~~2.~~ 3. "Child-placing agency" means any child welfare agency licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Child Care Facilities Licensing Act and authorized to place minors for adoption;

~~3.~~ 4. "Birth parent" means a parent of a child being placed for adoption and includes, but is not limited to, a woman who is pregnant or who presents herself as pregnant and who is offering to place her child, born or unborn, for adoption;

~~4.~~ 5. "Person" means any natural person, corporation, association, organization, institution, or partnership;

~~5.~~ 6. "Department" means the Department of Human Services; and

~~6.~~ 7. "Foster home" means a home or other place, other than the home of a parent, relative within the fourth degree, or guardian of the child concerned, wherein a child is received for permanent care, custody, and maintenance.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

Passed the Senate the 9th day of March, 2015.

[Signature]
Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 13th day of April, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 14th

day of April, 20 15, at 3:35 o'clock P M.

By: *Audrey Kestwell*

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 17th

day of April, 20 15, at 3:04 o'clock P M.

Mary Fallin
Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 17th

day of April, 20 15, at 3:38 o'clock P M.

By: *Ch. Benze*