

# An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 3223

By: Echols and Boles of the  
House

and

Weaver of the Senate

An Act relating to public health and safety; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section 96, which relates to dead bodies; authorizing certain schools and persons to retain and donate tissue from bodies for certain purpose; prohibiting transfer or sale of tissue; prohibiting use of tissue for other purposes; requiring report of loss or theft of tissue; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Human remains

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 96, is amended to read as follows:

Section 96. Any and all schools, colleges, and persons who may be designated by the Anatomical Board shall be, and are, authorized to dissect, operate upon, examine and experiment upon bodies distributed to them by the Board's agent and no others. The schools, colleges and designated persons are also authorized to retain tissue from bodies distributed to them and to donate the tissue to a person or entity for the purpose of training a dog to search for human remains; provided, any tissue donated for said purpose shall not be transferred, sold or used for any other purpose than training dogs to search for human remains. If any human tissue that has been donated for canine training is lost or stolen, the theft shall be reported to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation by the person or entity that received the donation. Such dissections, operations, examinations and experiments shall not

be considered as amenable under any already existing laws for the prevention of mutilation of dead human bodies. Such persons, schools or colleges shall keep a record, sufficient for identification, of each body received from the Anatomical Board or agent. The record shall be subject to inspection by the Board or its authorized officer or agent.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.

Passed the House of Representatives the 11th day of March, 2020.

James West  
Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 12th day of May, 2020.

Angela G. Gandy  
Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 13<sup>th</sup>

day of May, 20 20, at 1:34 o'clock p. M.

By: Sumi Curry

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 19<sup>th</sup>

day of May, 20 20, at 9:42 o'clock a. M.

K. J. Lesch  
Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 19<sup>th</sup>

day of May, 20 20, at 12:18 o'clock P. M.

By: Michelle Rogers