



January 27, 2016

The Honorable Chris Bengé
Oklahoma Secretary of State
2300 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Ste. 101
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105-4897

Re: Initiative Petition

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please accept for filing the enclosed copy of an initiative petition and the Proponents' suggested ballot title. The initiative petition would create the County Community Safety Investment Fund, which would consist of costs saved by reclassifying as misdemeanors certain property crimes and drug possession.

Very truly yours,

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Counsel for Proponents

cc: Oklahoma Attorney General

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PROPOSED BALLOT TITLE

This measure creates the County Community Safety Investment Fund. The fund consists of costs saved by reclassifying as misdemeanors certain property crimes and drug possession. The funds must be distributed to counties for the purpose of funding rehabilitative programs, such as mental health and substance abuse treatment programs. This measure only becomes effective if voters approve State Question ~~780~~ the Oklahoma Smart Justice Reform Act.

Shall the proposal be approved?

For the proposal - YES

Against the proposal - NO

A "YES" vote is a vote in favor of this measure. A "NO" vote is a vote against this measure.

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State Question No. 781, Initiative Petition No. 405

WARNING

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INITIATIVE PETITION

To the Honorable Mary Fallin, Governor of Oklahoma:

We, the undersigned legal voters of the State of Oklahoma, respectfully order that the following proposed law shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Oklahoma for their approval or rejection at the regular general election, to be held on the 8th day of November, 2016 (or at a special election as may be called by the Governor), and each for himself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oklahoma; my residence or post office are correctly written after my name. The time for filing this petition expires ninety (90) days from _____. The question we herewith submit to our fellow voters is:

Shall the following bill be approved?

An Act relating to the County Community Safety Investment Fund; stating factual findings and intent for Act; creating the County Community Safety Investment Fund; providing for the budgeting and disbursement of the funds therein by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, to be used for county community rehabilitative programming; permitting the promulgation of rules for implementation; directing the annual calculation of savings from the Oklahoma Smart Justice Reform Act; providing for the appropriation and payment of such savings to the County Community Safety Investment Fund; specifying condition under which the Act shall cease to have the force of law; providing effective date; providing for severability.

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

SECTION 1. The people of the state of Oklahoma find the fact that Oklahoma has the second-highest overall incarceration rate in the country, and the highest incarceration rate for women, is inconsistent with Oklahoma values, and drains resources away from investments that can do more to promote public safety. Therefore, the people intend, in enacting this initiative measure, to implement criminal justice reforms that focus on treating the root causes of crime by increasing funding for rehabilitation services like drug and mental health treatment, job training, and education programs.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 631 of Title 57, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund to be designated the "County Community Safety Investment Fund." The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received pursuant to Section 633 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. All monies appropriated and accruing to the credit of the fund shall be budgeted and expended by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for the sole purpose of providing

funds to counties to provide community rehabilitative programming, including but not limited to mental health and substance abuse services. Funds shall be disbursed in proportion to county population, as reported in the most recent census.

C. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

D. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall promulgate rules necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 632 of Title 57, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

No later than July 31 of the year following the effective date of this Act, and no later than July 31 every year thereafter, the Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall calculate the savings and averted costs that accrued to the state from the implementation of the Oklahoma Smart Justice Reform Act. In making the calculation required by this section, the Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall use actual data or best available estimates where actual data is not available. The calculation shall be final and shall not be adjusted for any subsequent changes in the underlying data.

SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 633 of Title 57, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

An amount equal to the savings calculated by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services pursuant to Section 632 of Title 57 shall, subject to appropriation by the Legislature, be paid to the County Community Safety Investment Fund.

This section is intended to comply with, and is subject to, Article V, Section 55, Article VI, Section 12, Article X, Section 23, and the other applicable provisions of the Oklahoma Constitution.

SECTION 5. The provisions of this initiative shall not become effective if the Oklahoma Smart Justice Reform Act is not approved by the people of this State.

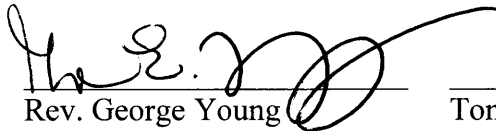
SECTION 6. This act shall become effective on July 1 immediately following its passage.

SECTION 7. The provisions hereof are severable, and if any part or provision hereof shall be void, invalid, or unconstitutional, the decision of the court so holding shall not affect or impair any of the remaining parts or provisions hereof, and the remaining provisions hereof shall continue in full force and effect.

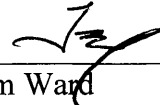
Name and Address of Proponents



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SIGNATURES

The gist of the proposition is as follows: This measure creates the County Community Safety Investment Fund. The fund consists of costs saved by reclassifying as misdemeanors certain property crimes and simple drug possession. The funds must be distributed to counties for the purpose of funding rehabilitative programs, such as mental health and substance abuse treatment programs. This measure only becomes effective if voters approve State Question 780, the Oklahoma Smart Justice Reform Act.

WARNING

It is a felony for anyone to sign an initiative or referendum petition with any name other than his own, or knowingly to sign his name more than once for the measure, or to sign the petition when he is not a legal voter.

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This acknowledges receipt of the petition submitted to our office, which has been designated as **State Question Number 781, Initiative Petition Number 405**, and filed accordingly this January 27, 2016.

Per Title 34 O.S. Section 8, subsequent to the publication of the notice of filing of said petition, the apparent sufficiency or insufficiency thereof and notice that any citizen(s) of the state may file a protest as to the constitutionality of the petition, the Secretary of State will provide a notification to the proponent(s) setting the date to begin circulation for signatures. The date set shall not be less than fifteen (15) days nor more than thirty (30) days from the date when all appeals, protests and rehearings have been resolved or the period for filing such has expired.

If we may provide any further assistance or should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office (405-522-4565 or executivelegislative@sos.ok.gov).

Sincerely,

Chris Benge
Secretary of State and
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OFFICE OF THE
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The Honorable Mary Fallin
Governor, State of Oklahoma
Room 212, State Capitol
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Dear Governor Fallin:

Please be advised that an initiative petition, designated as **State Question 781, Initiative Petition 405**, was sufficiently filed with the Office of the Secretary of State on Wednesday, January 27, 2016. Proponents of record for said petition are as follows;

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Please find enclosed a true and exact copy of State Question 781, Initiative Petition 405 on record with the Office of the Secretary of State.

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If I may be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Chris Bengé
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