

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 5, 2021

3 ENGROSSED HOUSE
4 BILL NO. 2027

By: O'Donnell and Davis of the
House

5 and

6 Daniels of the Senate

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9 An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending
10 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1379, which relates to
penalties for bypassing security checkpoints;
11 authorizing licensed attorneys to bypass certain
security checkpoints; providing exception; and
12 providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1379, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 1379. A. ~~No~~ Except as provided in subsection F of this
18 section, no person shall, without authorization, willfully bypass or
19 go around a security checkpoint when entering any facility requiring
20 persons to pass through a security checkpoint used for inspecting or
21 screening persons or their belongings.

22 B. Every facility requiring persons to pass through a security
23 checkpoint and submit to inspection or screening of their person or
24 belongings shall post notice stating such requirement. All security

1 checkpoints used for persons or their belongings shall be clearly
2 identified as such, and notice shall be posted informing persons
3 that they and their belongings are subject to search.

4 C. No person shall, without authorization, aid or assist any
5 person or persons in bypassing a security checkpoint by opening,
6 holding open, or propping open any secured door, portal, or
7 entryway.

8 D. No person shall, without authorization, aid or assist any
9 person or persons in bypassing or avoiding a security checkpoint by
10 passing items or belongings, or receiving items or belongings
11 through a secured door, entryway, window, loading dock, or any other
12 avenue of entry.

13 E. All persons approaching a security checkpoint shall obey the
14 lawful requests and orders of security staff present at the
15 checkpoint.

16 F. When entering a facility that houses a district court of
17 this state, an attorney licensed to practice law in this state may
18 bypass the security checkpoint upon presentation of an
19 identification card showing active membership in the Oklahoma Bar
20 Association and proof of identity to the security staff present at
21 the checkpoint, unless that person will knowingly have direct
22 contact with a criminal defendant currently in the custody of the
23 state.
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1 G. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this
2 section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished by
3 imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one (1) year, by a
4 fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by both such
5 fine and imprisonment.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
8 April 5, 2021 - DO PASS

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