1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)
3	SENATE BILL 902 By: Dossett (J.A.)
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6	AS INTRODUCED
7	An Act relating to the Oklahoma Health Care
8	Authority; requiring the Authority to provide certain person with application for Medicaid benefits;
9	requiring eligibility verification and enrollment under certain conditions; providing effective date of
10	coverage; authorizing assistance with application and enrollment; requiring certain coordination; directing
11	the Authority to seek certain federal approval; providing for codification; providing an effective
12	date; and declaring an emergency.
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14	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
15	SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16	in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5029.1 of Title 63, unless there
17	is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
18	Not less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the release of
19	a person from the custody of the Department of Corrections, the
20	Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall provide the person with an
21	application for Medicaid benefits. Upon receipt of a completed
22	application, the Authority shall promptly conduct an eligibility
23	determination of the person and, if the person qualifies, enroll the
24	person in the state Medicaid program prior to release from the

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1	custody of the Department. Coverage under the state Medicaid
2	program shall be effective upon release from the custody of the
3	Department. The Authority may develop educational materials,
4	provide counseling, provide technical assistance and take other
5	necessary steps to assist applicants with applying for and enrolling
6	in the state Medicaid program, and with seeking care upon release.
7	The Department shall coordinate with and assist the Authority in
8	implementing this section. The Authority shall seek any federal
9	approval necessary to implement this section.
10	SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2021.
11	SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
12	of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
13	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
14	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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