

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB3499</b>
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**Research Analysis**

HB3499, as introduced, requires property owners to review the criminal history of potential tenants and outlines the factors that should be considered to determine whether the tenant would be suitable for admission. The measure require the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency to collect data from property owners each year to get statistics on the number applications received for tenancy, the number of approved applications, the number of denied applications because of criminal history and the type of criminal offenses reported by those that were denied tenancy because of criminal history.

The measure also requires all applicants for affordable housing tax credits to have a defined criminal history screening policy that states that applicants with a felony conviction may only be denied housing if an individualized review shows that the safety of residents and the property are at risk.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

As introduced, HB 3499 requires owners of real property, when making decisions to accept, decline, or terminate a lease agreement based upon felony convictions, to conduct an individualized review of the criminal record and its impact on the household's suitability for admission.

The measure also requires applicants for the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Program to have a clearly defined criminal history screening policy that establishes criteria for renting to prospective residents, and employs the Oklahoma Housing Financing Agency to review applicant policies and provide guidance to owners of real property as to creating policies.

This measure is not expected to impact state revenue or state appropriations.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

