

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 496

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state-owned fencing; requiring  
8 certain telephone hotline maintenance; providing  
9 certain telephone hotline and fence repair  
10 procedures; requiring certain notification;  
11 authorizing certain rule promulgation by the Oklahoma  
Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry;  
12 providing for codification; and providing an  
effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 157 of Title 4, unless there is  
16 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry  
18 shall maintain on its official website a telephone number connected  
19 to a hotline administered and monitored by the Oklahoma Department  
20 of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry for any damaged state-owned  
21 fencing or state-owned fencing otherwise in disrepair.

22 B. The hotline shall prompt callers to provide the approximate  
23 location of and the date in which the caller first viewed the  
24 damaged or otherwise in disrepair state-owned fencing. The Oklahoma

1 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall attempt to  
2 identify the appropriate state agency or institution responsible for  
3 the fence within a week of receiving the complaint and transmit  
4 electronically and via mail to the state agency or institution a  
5 notification providing the approximate location of and the date in  
6 which the caller first viewed the damage or disrepair.

7 C. The state agency or institution shall act within thirty (30)  
8 days of receiving notification from the Oklahoma Department of  
9 Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to repair the damaged or otherwise  
10 in disrepair state-owned fencing.

11 D. The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry  
12 is authorized to promulgate rules to effectuate the provisions of  
13 this section.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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