

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1151

By: Osburn, Lawson and Roberts
(Sean) of the House

and

Howard and Pederson of the
Senate

An Act relating to child custody; amending 43 O.S. 2011, Section 110.1, which relates to shared parenting; permitting court to consider certain ability with respect to children; allowing court to consider evidence of domestic violence, stalking or harassment; requiring findings of fact and conclusions of law; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Child custody

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 43 O.S. 2011, Section 110.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 110.1 It is the policy of this state to assure that minor children have frequent and continuing contact with parents who have shown the ability to act in the best interests of their children and to encourage parents to share in the rights and responsibilities of rearing their children after the parents have separated or dissolved their marriage, ~~provided that~~. The court may consider evidence of the ability of the parents agree to cooperate and that on issues related to their minor children, as well as evidence of domestic violence, stalking, or harassing behaviors harassment as defined in Section 109 of this title are not present in the parental relationship. To effectuate this policy, if requested by a parent, the court may provide substantially equal

access to the minor children to both parents at a temporary order or final hearing, unless the court finds that shared parenting would be detrimental to the child. The court shall issue findings of fact and conclusions of law to support its decision after a final hearing on the merits.

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

Passed the House of Representatives the 4th day of May, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 21st day of April, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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