1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023) 3 ENGROSSED SENATE 4 BILL NO. 521 By: Pugh of the Senate 5 and 6 West (Tammy) of the House 7 8 9 An Act relating to libraries; amending Section 1, Chapter 280, O.S.L. 2022 (70 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 11-202), which relates to digital or online library 10 database resources; updating statutory language; providing certain construction; providing an 11 effective date; and declaring an emergency. 12 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 14 SECTION 1. Section 1, Chapter 280, O.S.L. 15 AMENDATORY 2022 (70 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 11-202), is amended to read as 16 follows: 17 Section 11-202. A. A school district, charter school, virtual 18 charter school, state agency, public library, or university 19 institution of higher education within The Oklahoma State System of 20 Higher Education may offer digital or online library database 21 resources to students in kindergarten through twelfth grade only if 22 the vendor, person, or entity providing the resources verifies that 23

- 1 all the resources comply with the provisions of subsection B of this 2 section.
 - B. Digital or online library database resources offered by school districts, charter schools, virtual charter schools, state agencies, public libraries, or universities to students in kindergarten through twelfth grade shall have safety policies and technology protection measures that:
 - 1. Prohibit and prevent a user of the resource from sending, receiving, viewing, or downloading materials that are child pornography or obscene materials, as defined in Section 1024.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or materials that depict child sexual exploitation, as defined in Section 843.5 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and
 - 2. Filter or block access to child pornography or obscene materials, as defined in Section 1024.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or materials that depict child sexual exploitation, as defined in Section 843.5 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- C. Notwithstanding any contract provision to the contrary, if a provider of digital or online library resources fails to comply with the requirements of subsection B of this section, the school district, public charter school, state agency, public library, or university institution of higher education shall withhold further payments, if any, to the provider pending verification of compliance.

- D. If a provider of digital or online library database resources fails to timely verify that the provider is in compliance with the safety policies and requirements of subsection B of this section, the school district, public charter school, state agency, public library, or university institution of higher education shall consider the provider's act of noncompliance a breach of contract.
- E. No later than December 1 of each year, libraries shall submit to the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate an aggregate written report on any issues related to provider compliance with technology protection measures required by subsection B of this section.
- F. Employees of school districts, charter schools, virtual charter schools, state agencies, public libraries, and universities shall not be exempt from prosecution for willful violations of state law prohibiting indecent exposure to obscene material or child pornography as provided in Section 1021 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- G. Nothing in this act shall be construed in a manner that applies to digital or online library database resources offered by institutions of higher education when the primary purpose of the resources is for education or research.
 - SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

1	SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2	of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby
3	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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6	COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER TECH dated 04/10/2023 - DO PASS.
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