

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 SENATE BILL 628

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to county expenses; authorizing the  
8 state to reimburse certain legal costs; clarifying  
9 eligible legal costs; stating applicability for  
certain cases; providing for codification; and  
providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6.1 of Title 19, unless there is  
15 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. As a matter of statewide concern, any legal costs incurred  
17 and expended by a county of this state as a result of defending the  
18 implementation and exercising of state constitutional provisions or  
19 state statutes that are challenged on constitutional grounds and  
20 include the county, or one or more of its officers, as a named  
21 party, shall be reimbursed by the state for those costs. Any  
22 portion of the costs not qualified pursuant to this section may be  
23 payable pursuant to Section 6 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes,  
24 if applicable.

1 B. The legal costs shall not include any work performed by the  
2 district attorney of the county or any other employee of the county  
3 designated as legal counsel.

4 C. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any case  
5 filed prior to January 1, 2000.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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