

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 SENATE BILL 1201

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to county sheriffs; amending 19 O.S.
8 2021, Section 516, which relates to duty and powers
9 as peace officer; amending duties of the county
sheriff; providing certain privileges and immunity;
and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 516, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 516. A. It shall be the duty of the sheriff,
16 undersheriffs and deputies to keep and preserve the peace of their
17 respective counties, ~~and~~ to quiet and suppress all affrays, riots
18 and unlawful assemblies and insurrections, and protect the people of
19 their county from infringements of the rights guaranteed to the
20 people by the Constitutions of the United States and the State of
21 Oklahoma, for which purpose and for the service of process in civil
22 and criminal cases, ~~and~~ in apprehending or securing any person for
23 felony or breach of the peace, and for prohibiting agents,
24 employees, and officers of the federal government from violating the

1 rights of the people of their county, they and every constable may
2 call to their aid such person or persons of their county or other
3 citizens of Oklahoma as they may deem necessary and organize them in
4 such form known as a posse or other designation for the performance
5 of their duties. During such times of service, those under such
6 call shall have all the privileges and immunities of the sheriff,
7 undersheriff, and deputies.

8 B. The sheriff, in addition to the duties pursuant to
9 subsection A of this section, shall coordinate and administer
10 courthouse security.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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