1	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION
2	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
3	1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)
4	ENGROSSED SENATE
5	BILL NO. 397 By: Loveless, Brecheen and Dahm of the Senate
6	and
7	Babinec, Coody, Bennett
8	(John), Faught, Gann and Roberts (Sean) of the House
9	
10	
11	[Bus Passenger Safety Act - public bus transportation - prohibitions - unauthorized removal
12	- effective date]
13	
14	
15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
16	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1902, is
17	amended to read as follows:
18	Section 1902. As used in this act the Bus Passenger Safety Act:
19	1. "Bus" shall be defined as provided in Section 1-105 of Title
20	47 means a vehicle designed to carry passengers that is part of a
21	network of passenger vehicles for use by the public, running on a
22	regular schedule of routes, times and fares;
23	2. "Bus transportation company" or "company" means any person
24	or governmental entity providing for-hire transport to passengers or
	SB397 HFLR

- cargo by bus upon the roads, streets, highways and turnpikes of this state, whether in interstate or intrastate travel;
 - 3. "Deadly or dangerous weapon" includes all weapons listed in Sections Section 1287 and 1289.3 through 1289.5 of this title, and any other weapon capable of inflicting serious bodily injury, except for a weapon carried for lawful self-defense in compliance under the Oklahoma Self Defense Act;
 - 4. "Passenger" means any person served by the <u>bus</u> transportation company and in addition to the ordinary meaning of passenger, the term shall include persons accompanying or meeting another who is transported by this company, any person shipping or receiving cargo and any person purchasing a ticket or receiving a pass; and
 - 5. "Terminal" means a bus station or depot or any facility operated or leased by or operated on behalf of a bus transportation company. This term shall include a reasonable area immediately adjacent to any designated stop along the route traveled by any coach bus operated by a bus transportation company and parking lots or parking areas adjacent to a terminal.
- 20 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1903, is 21 amended to read as follows:
- Section 1903. A. No person shall by force or violence, or threat of force or violence, seize or exercise control of any bus.
- 24 Any person violating this subsection shall be guilty of a felony $_{ au}$

SB397 HFLR

- and shall, upon conviction, be <u>imprisoned punished by imprisonment</u>

 in the custody of the Department of Corrections for not more than

 twenty (20) years, or <u>fined by a fine of not more than Twenty</u>
- 4 Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), or <u>by</u> both <u>such fine and</u>
- 5 <u>imprisonment</u>.

- B. In addition, no person shall intimidate, threaten, assault or batter any driver, attendant, guard or passenger of any bus with intent to violate subsection A of this section. Any person violating this subsection shall be guilty of a felony, and shall, upon conviction, be imprisoned punished by imprisonment in the custody of the Department for not more than ten (10) years, or fined by a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- C. In addition, any person violating subsection A or B of this section using a dangerous or deadly weapon shall be guilty of a felony, and shall, upon conviction, be imprisoned punished by imprisonment in the custody of the Department for not more than twenty (20) years, or fined by a fine of not more than Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- D. No person, other than an authorized law enforcement officer, shall board a bus with a dangerous or deadly weapon concealed upon or about his person. Upon the discovery of any such item or material, the company may obtain possession and retain custody of

such item or material until it is transferred to the custody of law
enforcement officers. Any person convicted of violating this
subsection shall be guilty of a felony, and shall, upon conviction,
be imprisoned for not more than ten (10) years, or fined not more
than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), or both.

E. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm or hurl or place in the path any missile at, into or within any bus, terminal or other transportation facility, unless such action is determined to have been in defensive force resulting from reasonable fear of imminent peril of death or great bodily harm to himself or herself or another. Such person shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, or both.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1904, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1904. It shall be unlawful to remove any baggage, cargo or other item transported upon a bus or stored in a terminal without consent of the owner of such property or the company, or its duly authorized representative. Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), or imprisoned by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of

1	Corrections for not more than five (5) years, or by both such fine
2	and imprisonment.
3	The actual value of an item removed in violation of this section
4	shall not be material to the crime herein defined.
5	SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.
6	Passed the Senate the 23rd day of March, 2017.
7	
8	
9	Presiding Officer of the Senate
10	Passed the House of Representatives the day of,
11	2017.
12	
13	
14	Presiding Officer of the House
15	COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, dated 04/05/2017 -
16	DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.
17	
18	
19	
20	
21	
22	
23	
24	