

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REQUEST FOR INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL

DATE: June 17, 2019

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S):

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TOPIC OF THE PROPOSAL:

Creating a taskforce to explore the jurisdictional questions about who responds when an indigenous woman is missing or murdered.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS ON THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY PROPOSAL:

The study would address the knowledge gap regarding which branch of local government would respond when an indigenous woman is missing or murdered; the study would also recommend solutions to fix this issue. Additionally, the study would create a system to collect tribal data on these instances that would then be funneled through one point of contact in the state. This information can then be utilized to create a statewide database on the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) as Oklahoma is 10th in the nation for MMIW. The study would support cultural educational and sensitivity training to all local and state police forces.

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