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sponsored by Sen. Ted Fisher, D-Sapulpa.

Bristow's nomination will now go before the full Senate for final consideration.

—STAFF WRITERS
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CD-ROM VERSION OF OKLAHOMA CITY'S OFFICIAL BOMBING REPORT NOW AVAILABLE THROUGH OKLAHOMA SAFETY COUNCIL

■(OKLAHOMA CITY) The Oklahoma Safety Council, a non-profit agency specializing in safety training and education, announced Thursday it would make available April 19th, 1995 — *The Final Report*, which is the CD-ROM version of the City of Oklahoma City's Official Report on the April 19, 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. This CD-ROM was unanimously approved by the Oklahoma City Council and Mayor April 16, 1996.

The CD was produced at no cost to the City of Oklahoma City by Global Information Resources Inc. in association with Campaign Technologies Inc. of Ponca City, OK and Haukom & Associates of San Francisco and the Oklahoma City Documentation Team.

The CD version of the City's Official Report contains almost one full hour of video clips, over 500 color photographs, special graphics, engineering animations, and the complete text of the city government's report plus "after action" reports from responding agencies such as the federal Urban Search and Rescue Teams.

To order, contact the Oklahoma Safety Council at 405-848-8626. They may also be contacted by writing to: The Oklahoma Safety Council, 4323 NW 63rd St., Suite 140, Oklahoma City, OK 73116. The Oklahoma Safety Council's fax number is: 405-843-8201.

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—GLOBAL INFORMATION
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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

INFANT SCREENING BILL BACK IN COMMITTEE

■(GIT) A bill creating the Early Identification and Support for Infants Act was returned to conference committee for the third time

by the House on Tuesday with instructions to include a provision banning so-called partial birth abortions.

HB2393, by Rep. Mark Seikel, D-Harrah, would allow, "with the consent of the parent or legal guardian of the infant, a voluntary screening procedure for the early identification of infants who may require or benefit from health or other community infant support services that shall be conducted for each infant."

Seikel took a chance on the bill's future when during debate over acceptance of the third conference committee report he asked what it would take to adopt the instructions proposed by Rep. Joan Greenwood, R-Moore. Greenwood asked that a provision be added to the bill protecting parents who refused the services recommended as a result of the proposed screenings.

The Moore Republican said she had documentation from other states with similar laws that showed parents being penalized, even losing custody of their children, when they had refused the services recommended by screenings similar to the one proposed by Seikel.

Lying on the desk at the time, however, were instructions from Rep. Bill Graves, R-Oklahoma City. Those instructions had been submitted ahead of Greenwood's, and as a result, were due to be heard first. The instructions call for the addition of a provision banning so-called partial birth abortions.

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Pressed by Rep. Ron Kirby, D-Lawton, about the number of partial birth abortions performed in Oklahoma, Graves said he did not know, adding that current law does not require such records to be kept.

"One time is too many," Graves, who has proposed regulations allowing the health department to set minimum safety standards for abortion clinics that would include keeping such records, added.

Greenwood proposed that her instructions for the bill be considered as an amendment to those of Graves', and by unanimous consent, the instructions were adopted as an amendment.

Graves' amended instructions, which then included the partial-birth abortion ban and parents' protection clause, were also adopted by unanimous consent.

—SHAWN ASHLEY
05/28/96

OIL & GAS

OKLAHOMA GAS PRODUCTION ALLOWABLE CONTINUES AT 50%

■(OKLAHOMA CITY) The Oklahoma Corporation Commission Thursday continued the production allowable for Oklahoma unallocated gas wells at the greater of 50 percent of wellhead absolute open flow potential or 1 million cubic feet per day for the

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