

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 44th Legislature (1993)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1567

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to state government; creating the Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislature Act; providing short title; defining terms; authorizing income tax check-off for funding; creating special fund with purposes and procedures; requiring certain reports; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 490.1 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Sections 1 through 5 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislature Act".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 490.2 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Silver Haired Legislators are persons who are:

1. Sixty (60) years of age or older; and
2. Elected for a two-year term within their own respective districts as defined by Oklahoma Silver Haired Election Rules.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 490.3 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Each state individual income tax return form for tax years commencing after December 31, 1992, shall contain a designation as follows or shall contain similar wording as space allows on the tax return form:

SILVER HAired LEGISLATURE FUND. Check if you wish to donate from your tax refund: () \$1.00 () \$_____

SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 490.4 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Department of Human Services to be designated the "Silver Haired Legislature Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of monies received by the Department of Human Services from any monies collected pursuant to the provisions of this act. All monies accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and shall be budgeted and expended directly by the Department of Human Services to Area Agencies on Aging for the purpose of funding the Silver Haired Legislature and such other purposes as provided for in this act. Expenditures from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of State Finance for approval and payment.

B. The Silver Haired Legislature Fund shall be funded by monies received through the check-off on state individual income tax returns as provided in Section 3 of this act.

C. Said fund shall not exceed a maximum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00). All monies received in excess of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund.

D. All monies in the fund over the amount necessary to pay the expense of the Silver Haired Legislature shall be used by the Department of Human Services to assist with the programs of the Area Agencies on Aging.

SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 490.5 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Department of Human Services shall annually determine from the monies available the amount of funds to be allocated to the various Area Agencies on Aging based on the number of Silver Haired Legislators representing the particular area.

B. Monies provided pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be expended for a two-day training session and a three-day legislative session for Silver Haired Legislators. Such sessions are for the purpose of providing the Silver Haired Legislators and their constituents an opportunity to understand and promote issues determined to be of interest and concern to that segment of the citizens of the State of Oklahoma.

C. Each Area Agency on Aging receiving such monies shall submit a written report on how the monies received were expended during the preceding fiscal year to the Department of Human Services on or before July 1 of each year.

SECTION 6. This act shall become effective January 1, 1994.

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