

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

SENATE JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. _____

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A Joint Resolution prohibiting issuance of warrants to pay certain claims to the federal government; providing for distribution; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma has entered into a settlement agreement with certain tobacco product manufacturers to settle litigation in which the State of Oklahoma sought damages on a variety of claims including to recovery monies expended by the state on tobacco-related health care expenses; and

WHEREAS, the receipt of any monies under such settlement agreement is a result solely of efforts by this state and other states to engage in litigation with major tobacco manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, neither the federal government nor any agency of the federal government was a party to the litigation which resulted in such settlement agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 47TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 14. The State Treasurer is prohibited from issuing any warrants to pay any monies of this state to the federal government or any agency of the federal government for any claim based in whole or in part on any monies received or to be received by this state in settlement of its claims made in litigation with tobacco manufacturers.

SECTION 1. The Secretary of State is hereby directed to distribute copies of this resolution to the State Treasurer and to every member of the 106th Congress of the United States.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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