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THE STATE SENATE
Tuesday, April 2, 2002

ENGROSSED

House Bill No. 1979

As Amended

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1979 - By: LEIST, COX and HEFNER of the House and SHURDEN and HENRY of the Senate.

[tax and taxation - income tax refunds - Silver Haired Legislature - codification - effective date]

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2368.4 of Title 68, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall include on each state individual income tax return form for tax years beginning after December 31, 2002, and each state corporate tax return form for tax years beginning after December 31, 2002, an opportunity for the taxpayer to donate from a tax refund for the benefit of Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislature activities.

B. The monies generated from donations made pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be used by the Department of Human Services for the following purposes:

1. a. To fund all reasonable expenses of:

(1) Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislatures,

(2) Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislature training sessions, and

(3) Silver Haired Legislature interim studies, and

b. Monies authorized by this paragraph may only be used for expenses incurred by Silver Haired Legislators and alternates for reasonable expenses incurred while attending called meetings; and

2. Monies generated in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) shall be used to fund those programs or services for senior citizens which are recommended to the Department for funding by the Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislature Alumni Association.

C. All monies generated pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer and placed to the credit of the Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislature - Excellence in State Government Revolving Fund.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2368.3a of Title 68, 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 "Oklahoma Silver Haired Legislature – Excellence in State Government Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject

to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of any monies transferred thereto by Section 1 of this act.

B. All monies accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and shall be budgeted and expended by the Department of Human Services for the purposes specified by Section 1 of this act; provided no monies in the fund shall be expended for salaries or other administrative costs, or any programs or services not authorized by Section 1 of this act.

C. 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.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2002.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, dated 3-26-02 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.