

1 admitted and cared for at the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
2 Affairs Centers, at Ardmore, Claremore, Clinton, Lawton/Ft. Sill,
3 Norman, Sulphur or Talihina. Provided no grants-in-aid,
4 reimbursements, or other revenue from the United States government
5 or any instrumentality of the United States government shall be
6 deposited in ~~said~~ the fund. Provided further, nothing contained
7 herein prohibits the establishment and utilization of special agency
8 accounts by the Department of Veterans Affairs and its constituent
9 institutions, as may be approved by the Special Agency Account
10 Board, for receipt and disbursement of the personal funds of Veteran
11 Center patients and members and/or for receipt and disbursement of
12 charitable contributions and donations for use by and for patients
13 and members.

14 B. The Revolving Fund herein created shall be used by the
15 Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs to pay for the care of war
16 veterans discharged other than under dishonorable conditions, in
17 ~~said~~ Veterans Centers, to pay the general operating expenses of the
18 Veterans Centers, including the payment of salaries and wages of
19 officials and employees, to pay for the employee safety programs and
20 incentive awards provided for in Section ~~2~~ 63.10a of this ~~act~~ title,
21 and to remodel, repair, construct, build additions, modernize, or
22 add improvements of domiciliary or hospital buildings necessary for
23 the care of veterans, including tuberculosis, mentally ill or

1 neuropsychiatric patients, but not excluding others; and
2 architectural plans, specifications, or other costs pertinent
3 thereto.

4 C. The Department of Veterans Affairs may transfer monies from
5 the revolving fund created in this section to the W.V.C. Revolving
6 Fund in the State Treasury.

7 D. All expenditures from said Revolving Fund shall be made upon
8 warrants issued by the State Treasurer based upon claims approved by
9 the Department of Veterans Affairs, as provided by law, and filed
10 with the Director of State Finance for approval and payment.

11 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 72 O.S. 1991, Section 240, as
12 amended by Section 3, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 1992 (72 O.S. Supp. 2000,
13 Section 240), is amended to read as follows:

14 Section 240. There is hereby created a petty cash fund at the
15 Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs, at the Oklahoma Veterans
16 Center, Ardmore, Oklahoma, at the Oklahoma Veterans Center, Clinton,
17 Oklahoma, at the Oklahoma Veterans Center, Sulphur, Oklahoma, at the
18 Oklahoma Veterans Center, Talihina, Oklahoma, at the Oklahoma
19 Veterans Center, Norman, Oklahoma, at the Oklahoma Veterans Center,
20 Claremore, Oklahoma, and at the Oklahoma Veterans Center, ~~Okmulgee~~
21 Lawton/Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. The Director of State Finance and the
22 Director of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs are
23 authorized to fix the maximum amount of these petty cash funds and

1 the Director of State Finance shall prescribe the rules and
2 procedures for the administration of these petty cash funds.

3 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2001.

4 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
5 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
6 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
7 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

8 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 2-21-01 - DO
9 PASS, As Coauthored.