

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2046

By: Mitchell and Bonny of the
House

and

Morgan and Robinson of the
Senate

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs; requiring budgeting in certain categories and amounts; requiring certain performance measures; providing for duties and compensation of employees; providing budgetary limitations; requiring certain budget procedures; prohibiting certain budget procedures; providing lapse dates; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall budget all funds in the following categories and amounts:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Total</u>
Central Administration	\$ 348,050.00	\$ 6,134,649.00
Nursing Facilities	28,586,988.00	95,127,311.00
Claims and Benefits	354,700.00	1,930,402.00
Capital Lease	801,434.00	801,434.00
State Accrediting Agency	<u>0.00</u>	<u>484,664.00</u>
TOTAL	\$30,091,172.00	\$104,478,460.00

The agency shall develop outcome-based performance measures for each budget category.

SECTION 2. The duties and compensation of employees, not otherwise prescribed by law, necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs by law shall be set by the Director. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, shall be subject to the following budgetary limitations, except as may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 3603 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

<u>Budgetary Limitation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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Full-time-equivalent Employees	1,998.0
Lease-Purchase Agreements	\$10,000.00

SECTION 3. Appropriations made by Section 73 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2007 of the 2nd Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature, not including appropriations made for capital outlay purposes, may be budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005 (hereafter FY-05) or may be budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006 (hereafter FY-06). Funds budgeted for FY-05 may be encumbered only through June 30, 2005, and must be expended by November 15, 2005. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2005, and not budgeted for FY-06, shall lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year. Funds budgeted for FY-06 may be encumbered only through June 30, 2006. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2006, shall lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year. These appropriations may not be budgeted in both fiscal years simultaneously. Funds budgeted in FY-05, and not required to pay obligations for that fiscal year, may be budgeted for FY-06, after the agency to which the funds have been appropriated has prepared and submitted a budget work program revision removing these funds from the FY-05 budget work program and after such revision has been approved by the Office of State Finance.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2004.

SECTION 5. 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 act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the House of Representatives the 29th day of April, 2004.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 22nd day of April, 2004.

Presiding Officer of the Senate