

By: Crain of the Senate
and
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[state government - requiring the Department of
Human Services to establish a three-year pilot
program - codification -
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 2903 of Title 74, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Subject to the availability of funds, the Department of
Human Services shall develop and implement a three-year pilot
program through which persons belonging to vulnerable populations
may receive payee and financial management services.

B. Persons belonging to a vulnerable population include, but
are not limited to:

1. The elderly;
2. The mentally disabled;
3. The physically disabled;
4. The homeless; and
5. The individuals involved in drug or alcohol rehabilitation

programs.

C. Payee and financial management services include, but are not
limited to:

1. Obtaining and/or retaining clients' money;
2. Coordinating and administering alternative payment
arrangements with creditors;

3. Issuing spending allowances for clients; and
4. Educating clients on budget management skills.

D. The Department of Human Services shall enter into a contract through a competitive bid process to carry out the provisions of this act. Such contracted entity shall be a nonprofit organization with experience in providing payee services to persons in Oklahoma.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

Passed the Senate the 9th day of March, 2006.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2006.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives