

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 50th Legislature (2006)

HOUSE BILL 2906

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to public finance; amending 62 O.S. 2001, Sections 2004, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 219, O.S.L. 2002 and 2006, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 219, O.S.L. 2002 (62 O.S. Supp. 2005, Sections 2004 and 2006), which relate to the Rural Economic Action Plan; modifying provisions related to total number of accounts; providing for separate accounts; deleting references to subaccounts; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2001, Section 2004, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 219, O.S.L. 2002 (62 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 2004), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2004. The monies appropriated to the Rural Economic Action Plan Fund shall be subject to all of the requirements of Sections 2006 through 2013 of this title. There shall be deposited into each of the accounts provided by Section 2006 of this title the sum of ~~one-tenth (1/10)~~ one-eleventh (1/11) of the amount appropriated to the Rural Economic Action Plan Fund ~~with the exception of one account which shall be divided equally into two subaccounts. One of the two subaccounts.~~ One of the eleven accounts shall be available to ~~one and only one~~ each of the entities described by subsection B of Section 2007 of this title for distribution to cities or towns within the respective jurisdiction of the entity if the population of such city or town does not exceed seven thousand (7,000) persons according to the latest Federal Decennial Census or for the benefit of an unincorporated area.

Funds may also be expended for any city or town with a population below seven thousand (7,000) persons based upon the current population estimate according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Funds may be expended for such cities and towns until the next following Federal Decennial Census.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2001, Section 2006, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 219, O.S.L. 2002 (62 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 2006), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2006. A. There is hereby established a fund within the State Treasury to be known as the Rural Economic Action Plan Fund. The fund shall be a continuing fund not subject to fiscal year limitations. Within the Rural Economic Action Plan Fund there shall be established ~~ten~~ eleven separate accounts into which shall be deposited such funds as may be provided by law.

B. One of ~~nine~~ the eleven total accounts shall be available to each entity described in subsection A of Section 2007 of this title.

C. ~~One account shall be divided equally into two subaccounts. One of the two subaccounts~~ One of the eleven total accounts shall be available to each of the entities described by subsection B of Section 2007 of this title for distribution to any city or town within the respective jurisdiction of the entity if the population of such city or town does not exceed seven thousand (7,000) persons according to the latest Federal Decennial Census or for the benefit of an unincorporated area. Funds may also be expended for any city or town with a population below seven thousand (7,000) persons based upon the current population estimate according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Funds may be expended for such cities and towns until the next following Federal Decennial Census.

D. No funds deposited into one account ~~or subaccount~~ shall be transferred to any other account. No entity may access any more than one account per fiscal year and the total expenditure from any

one account for each fiscal year may not exceed the amount of funds available to each account as may be provided by law.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2006.

SECTION 4. 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.

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