

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 1873

By: Leftwich of the Senate

and

Wesselhoft of the House

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission; making an appropriation to the Commission from certain federal funds; stating purpose for funds; providing certain time for expenditures; providing standards for accounting for expenditures; requiring Commission to utilize the appropriation in accordance with certain provisions and requirements; requiring Commission to adopt and implement an agencywide performance improvement program; stating purpose of the program; providing standards for implementing the program; requiring certain reports by the Commission; identifying funding source for program; providing for noncodification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

There is hereby appropriated to the Employment Security Administration Fund, out of funds made available to this state by the federal Reed Act Distribution made on March 13, 2002, pursuant to Section 903(d) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C., Section 1103(d), as amended, the amount of Eleven Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$11,730,000.00) to be used by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission for the purpose of paying the administration expenses of the following programs in the following amounts:

1. The Employment Service Program in the amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$7,730,000.00);

2. The One-Stop Career Center expenses attributable to the Employment Service and the Unemployment Insurance program in the amount of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00); and

3. The Unemployment Insurance Program in the amount of Three Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,700,000.00).

The funds appropriated by this section shall be expended on or before December 31, 2009. Expenditures from this appropriation shall be accounted for in accordance with standards established by the United States Secretary of Labor. The Oklahoma Employment Security Commission shall utilize the appropriation made by this section in accordance with the provisions and requirements contained in the Social Security Act, Title 42, of the United States Code.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

The Oklahoma Employment Security Commission shall adopt and implement an agencywide performance improvement program. The performance improvement program will ensure that all agency operations are utilizing technological and personnel resources in the most effective and efficient manner and that the needs of Oklahoma employers and persons using the Unemployment Benefit Program and the Employment Service are being met. The Oklahoma Employment Security Commission will develop an implementation plan that will identify performance improvement program methodologies and action steps for the program. The implementation plan will be in writing and submitted for a one-time approval to the Commissioners of the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission and the Secretary of Commerce and Tourism. The approval of the implementation plan shall be in writing. The Oklahoma Employment Security Commission shall submit semiannual reports of measurable goals and action plan progress, including verifiable program improvement, to the Commissioners of the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission and the Secretary of Commerce and Tourism. The first semiannual report will be due on January 1, 2009. The Oklahoma Employment Security Commission shall allocate existing resources to defray costs to

implement the approved performance improvement methodologies and implementation of program recommendations.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2008.

Passed the Senate the 29th day of April, 2008.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 21st day of April, 2008.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives