

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety;
8 authorizing the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to
9 establish certain assessment; specifying purpose of
10 assessment; creating the Oklahoma Health Care Fund;
11 providing for administration; stating purpose;
12 providing for expenditures; providing for
13 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5101 of Title 63, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. 1. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall establish an
19 assessment of two percent (2%) on the gross revenues of hospitals
20 and durable medical equipment providers. The revenues collected
21 from the assessment shall be used by the Authority to maximize
22 federal matching money.

23 2. The money accumulated from the assessment and the federal
24 match shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Health Care Fund, created
in subsection B of this section, to be used solely to fund provider

1 reimbursement rates at one hundred percent (100%) or greater of
2 Medicare, or to fund programs to decrease the number of Oklahomans
3 without health insurance including, but not limited to, the premium
4 assistance program established pursuant to Section 1010.1 of Title
5 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

6 B. 1. There is created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
7 for the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to be designated the
8 "Oklahoma Health Care Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund,
9 not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of monies
10 received from the assessment provided for in subsection A of this
11 section and contributions, public or private, including federal and
12 state funds unless otherwise provided by federal law or regulation.

13 2. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are
14 appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma Health
15 Care Authority solely for the purposes of funding provider
16 reimbursement rates at one hundred percent (100%) or greater of
17 Medicare, or funding programs to decrease the number of Oklahomans
18 without health insurance. Expenditures from the fund shall be made
19 upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as
20 prescribed by law with the Director of State Finance for approval
21 and payment.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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