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Research Analysis

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Fiscal Analysis

According to the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS) since FY-09, the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant has been fully expended for existing programs. TANF programs were included in program reductions implemented by OKDHS in FY-10 and FY-11. New TANF programs would have to be funded by fully by new state appropriated dollars. All costs stated below are 100% state dollars.

In FY-10 TANF Block Grant funding paid to administer for TANF adult recipients:

- 2,140 substance abuse screening and/or assessment(s);
- 1,787 UA's; and
- At least one substance abuse treatment service for 3,976 individuals.

The cost for drug screening is comparable to a pre-employment drug test performed on pre-hires at OKDHS statewide at state approved labs. The \$49 service covers the cost of the kit, conformation, and staff and administrative costs for the test.

Based on data for FY-10, the OKDHS believes that it would cost \$2,161,179.30 to administer the drug screening required in this bill using the following information.

- 10,627 unduplicated adults received TANF during FY-10. Assuming 10% of the TANF adult population would be required to complete random drug testing, this would cost \$52,072.30.
- 14,647 TANF cases were opened. Assuming each case has an average of one adult drug testing prior to certification this would cost \$717,703.00.
- 28,396 TANF applications were denied. Assuming each case has an average of one adult drug tested prior to denial this would cost \$1,391,404.00.

Limiting family size to three children will result in cost savings of approximately \$93,000.

Requiring dependents over 18 to participate in TANF Work could cost at least \$4,617,264 per year to pay TANF Work participation allowances for attendance at school, a requirement currently in effect with no corresponding allowance.

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Other Considerations

According to OKDHS, the current policy is that when a TANF recipient tests positive for illegal drugs, a treatment plan is developed for the participant. OKDHS believes when the recipient receives substance abuse treatment and cooperates with the treatment plan, it stabilizes family functioning. When the recipient does not cooperate, the TANF assistance is closed by OKDHS for the entire family.