

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 54th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 1604
Version:	CS
Request Number:	10681
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Date:	3/28/2014
Impact:	No state impact

Research Analysis

SB1604 is the “Oklahoma Veterans Traumatic Brain Injury Treatment and Recovery Act of 2014.” Oklahoma veterans diagnosed with traumatic brain injury, and prescribed hyperbaric oxygen treatment, would be eligible to receive that treatment at any facility in the state with a hyperbaric chamber. The Oklahoma State University Center for Aerospace and Hyperbaric Medicine (OSUCAHM) would be in charge of all medical treatments provided. OSUCAHM is directed to publish a standard plan for treating traumatic brain injury using hyperbaric oxygen treatment.

A revolving fund would be created in the State Treasury to assist with these treatments. Subject to availability of funds in the revolving fund, hyperbaric treatments are to be provided at no cost to the veteran.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS for SB 1604 creates the Oklahoma Veterans Traumatic Brain Injury Treatment and Recovery Act of 2014. The measure creates a fund for reimbursement of hyperbaric oxygen treatments for certain veterans. The measure does not appropriate any funding; it sets up the procedure by which, once gifts and donations are obtained, a veteran would receive hyperbaric treatments at no cost to the veteran.

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Other Considerations

None.