STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1372 By: Sparks

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Oklahoma Medicaid Program; directing the state to expand certain program; directing the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to take certain actions; providing that the Oklahoma Health Care Authority is the lead agency; authorizing the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to seek certain assistance; directing state agencies and entities to provide certain assistance; directing the Legislature to provide funding; directing promulgation of rules; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1010.14 of Title 56, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The state shall expand the Medicaid program to provide assistance to all persons who apply and who are determined to be eligible for such assistance and for whom federal matching funds are available to the state under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, P.L 111-148, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, P.L. 111-152.

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B. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority is hereby directed to take any and all steps necessary to implement the Medicaid expansion program as provided for in subsection A and shall be the lead agency for the implementation. The Authority is authorized to seek assistance from any state or federal agencies or entities to implement the program, and all state agencies or entities shall provide such assistance as requested by the Authority.

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- C. The Legislature shall annually appropriate sufficient funding to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority for the purpose of implementing and operating the Medicaid expansion program pursuant to this act.
- D. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board shall promulgate rules to implement this act.

SECTION 2. 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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