

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 733

By: Griffin of the Senate

3 and

4 Osborn (Leslie) of the  
House

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7 [ Department of Rehabilitation Services -  
8 Rehabilitation Services Disbursing Fund - certain  
funds - ~~effective date~~ -  
9 ~~emergency~~ ]

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 166.7, as  
14 amended by Section 839, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp.  
15 2016, Section 166.7), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 166.7. A. There is hereby created in the State  
17 Treasury a revolving fund for the Commission on Rehabilitation  
18 Services, to be designated the "Rehabilitation Services Disbursing  
19 Fund" provided that the fund may be designated by fiscal year  
20 designations as the Commission may determine. The fund shall be a  
21 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations. The fund  
22 shall consist of receipts from the federal government, monies  
23 appropriated to the Department of Rehabilitation Services by the  
24 State Legislature, and other receipts of the Department of

1 Rehabilitation Services as shall be directed by the Commission for  
2 Rehabilitation Services. All monies accruing to the credit of said  
3 fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the  
4 Commission for Rehabilitation Services as may be necessary in order  
5 to carry out the duties imposed upon the ~~said~~ Commission by law.  
6 Expenditures from the Rehabilitation Services Disbursing Fund shall  
7 be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims  
8 filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of  
9 Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

10 B. The Department of Rehabilitation Services may direct all or  
11 a portion of federal and state funds received and appropriated for  
12 services to Older Individuals that are Blind (OIB) to qualified  
13 community-based, non-profit organizations accredited by the National  
14 Accreditation Council For Blind and Low Vision to administer,  
15 pursuant to contract, services for older individuals with vision  
16 impairments including, but not limited to, assisting in correcting  
17 or modifying visual disabilities including optical vision aids, in-  
18 home training, orientation and mobility, Braille instruction,  
19 adaptive skills training, information and referral, peer counseling  
20 and other appropriate services designed to assist an older  
21 individual who is blind with daily living activities.

22 C. Funds received by the Commission for OIB Rehabilitation  
23 Services from the Federal Rehabilitation Services Administration and  
24 state matching funds may, in their entirety, be used to fund the

1 Older Independent Blind program as established in The Rehabilitation  
2 Act of 1973, as amended.

3 D. Services provided by qualified Older Independent Blind  
4 contractors may be dependent upon budget parameters and staffing.

5 ~~SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2017.~~

6 ~~SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation~~  
7 ~~of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby~~  
8 ~~declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and~~  
9 ~~be in full force from and after its passage and approval.~~

10 Passed the Senate the 22nd day of March, 2017.

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13 Presiding Officer of the Senate

14 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
15 2017.

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