

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 22, 2017

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 733

By: Griffin of the Senate

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7 [Department of Rehabilitation Services -
8 Rehabilitation Services Disbursing Fund - certain
9 funds - - ~~effective date~~ -
10 ~~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 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
11 February 22, 2017 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
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