

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1099

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Telecommunications for the
8 Hearing Impaired Act; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section
9 2418, as last amended by Section 78, Chapter 15,
10 O.S.L. 2013 (63 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 2418), which
11 relates to telephone access line surcharge; providing
12 that wireless telephone connections are subject to
13 surcharge; requiring wireless telecommunications
14 providers to collect and remit surcharge; updating
15 statutory reference; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 2418, as
16 last amended by Section 78, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2013 (63 O.S. Supp.
17 2017, Section 2418), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 2418. A. There is hereby imposed a surcharge of five
19 cents (\$0.05) per local exchange telephone access line and wireless
20 telephone connection per month to pay for the equipment and
21 maintenance program provided for in Section 2417 of this title and
22 to provide for other needed services for the deaf, severely hard-of-
23 hearing, severely speech-impaired and deaf-blind programs
24 administered through the State Department of Rehabilitation

1 Services, such surcharge to be paid by each local exchange
2 subscriber to local telephone service in this state, unless such
3 subscriber is otherwise exempt from taxation.

4 B. The surcharge shall be collected on the regular monthly bill
5 by each local exchange telephone company or wireless
6 telecommunications provider operating in this state and shall be
7 remitted quarterly to the Oklahoma Tax Commission no later than
8 twenty (20) days following the end of each quarter.

9 C. There is hereby created in the State Treasury the
10 Telecommunications for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Revolving Fund.
11 The fund shall consist of monies imposed in subsection A of this
12 section. All monies accruing to the fund are hereby appropriated
13 and may be budgeted and expended by the State Department of
14 Rehabilitation Services. The fund shall be a continuing fund not
15 subject to fiscal year limitations and expenditures from said fund
16 shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against
17 claims submitted to the Director of the Office of Management and
18 Enterprise Services for the purpose of implementation of ~~this act~~
19 the Telecommunications for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Act.

20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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