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3 HOUSE BILL 1915

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public finance; amending 62 O.S.  
8 2011, Section 34.80, as amended by Section 400,  
Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (62 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section  
9 34.80), which relates to the Oklahoma State Finance  
10 Act; prohibiting certain funds in the Canceled  
Revenue Fund from being transferred into the General  
11 Revenue Fund; and providing an effective date.  
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2011, Section 34.80, as  
15 amended by Section 400, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (62 O.S. Supp.  
16 2018, Section 34.80), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 34.80 A. All warrants, checks or orders issued by the  
18 State Treasurer against claims submitted through the Office of  
19 Management and Enterprise Services in payment of obligations of the  
20 state which shall for any cause remain outstanding or unpaid for a  
21 period of ninety (90) days after funds are available for their  
22 payment shall be revoked and canceled.

23 B. Such warrants, checks or orders shall be entered into the  
24 records of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services and the

1 State Treasurer and the administrative head of the agency certifying  
2 the claim for payment shall be notified that such items have been  
3 canceled.

4 C. If, for any reason, a warrant should not be issued to  
5 replace a warrant canceled pursuant to the provisions of this  
6 section, the administrative head of the agency originally certifying  
7 the claim for payment shall, within seven (7) days after  
8 notification of the cancellation, advise the Director of the Office  
9 of Management and Enterprise Services that a reissue should not be  
10 made.

11 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B of this  
12 section, warrants issued or caused to be issued by the Department of  
13 Human Services for public assistance or medical assistance may be  
14 reissued at any time within three (3) years after cancellation upon  
15 submission of the canceled warrants to the Department.

16 E. No canceled warrants shall be paid, except that the holder  
17 of any warrant that may have been canceled pursuant to the  
18 provisions of this section may, within thirty-six (36) months  
19 following the month in which the warrant was canceled, present the  
20 warrant or an affidavit of loss or destruction, and a request for  
21 reissuance to the Director of the Office of Management and  
22 Enterprise Services.

23 F. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise  
24 Services shall certify a claim as needed for payment of those

1 verified unpaid requests presented, unless the certifying agency has  
2 advised that a reissuance should not be made.

3 G. 1. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a fund to  
4 be known as the Canceled Warrant Fund.

5 2. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise  
6 Services shall transfer to the Canceled Warrant Fund the total of  
7 the payable amounts of the warrants canceled pursuant to the  
8 provisions of this section from the funds and accounts against which  
9 the canceled warrants had been drawn.

10 3. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall  
11 disburse from the fund such amounts as necessary to pay warrants  
12 reissued as provided in this section.

13 4. These expenditures shall remain recorded in the funds and  
14 accounts against which the original canceled warrants were issued  
15 and they shall not be considered expenses of the state nor shall  
16 receipts to the fund be considered revenue to the state.

17 5. Any such claim drawn against the Canceled Warrant Fund shall  
18 identify the current holder of record and the warrant number of the  
19 canceled warrant, which shall be provided on the warrant record.

20 H. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise  
21 Services shall determine the minimum necessary balance to be  
22 maintained in the Canceled Warrant Fund and on the third Monday of  
23 October shall transfer the amount in excess of the required minimum  
24 balance to the General Revenue Fund of the current year. The

1 minimum balance retained shall be not less than the total amount of  
2 the warrants canceled by statute within the past thirty-six (36)  
3 months preceding October 1 of each year and which remain eligible  
4 for replacement according to the records of the Office of Management  
5 and Enterprise Services. Provided, funds in the Canceled Warrant  
6 Fund due to the cancellation of warrants from the Crime Victims  
7 Compensation Fund shall be transferred to the Crime Victims  
8 Compensation Fund and not to the General Revenue Fund.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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