

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 1991

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Fund - State Department of Health - hospitals -
rules - effective date -
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 5061 of Title 63, unless there is
created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
for the State Department of Health to be designated the "Oklahoma
Critical Access Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing
fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
all monies designated for deposit to the fund by law. All monies
accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may
be budgeted and expended by the State Department of Health for the

1 purpose of improving rural access to health care as described in
2 Section 2 of this act. Expenditures from said fund shall be made
3 upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as
4 prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and
5 Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

6 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5062 of Title 63, unless there
8 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9 A. Limited to the unencumbered balance of the Oklahoma Critical
10 Access Revolving Fund, any rural hospital that would qualify as a
11 Critical Access Hospital pursuant to Sections 485.601 through
12 485.647 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations but for its
13 proximity to an out-of-state facility, shall be eligible to receive
14 up to One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per fiscal year from the
15 Oklahoma Critical Access Revolving Fund.

16 B. The State Department of Health shall promulgate rules
17 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

18 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2021.

19 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
20 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
21 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
22 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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