

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 2932

By: McCall, O'Donnell, Fugate,  
Rosecrants, Virgin and  
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House

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9 An Act relating to public finance; making legislative  
10 findings related to federal funds allocated pursuant  
11 to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security  
12 Act (CARES); prohibiting entities within the  
13 executive branch of state government from using CARES  
14 funds in certain manner; providing exception;  
15 imposing prohibition with respect to federal funds  
16 allocated on or after designated date; providing for  
17 codification; providing for noncodification; and  
18 declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
18 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

19 The Legislature finds that federal funds made available to the  
20 State of Oklahoma pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and  
21 Economic Security Act (CARES), P.L. 116-136, did not allow for  
22 direct participation by the Legislature, which is directly  
23 responsible for funding many of the agencies which received and  
24 utilized much of these relief funds. The Legislature further finds

1 that the legislative advisory group formed in May 2020, while  
2 providing some level of review for agency spending decisions, did  
3 not provide a method to analyze whether the expenditures were in  
4 compliance with the CARES Act requirements or a method to prevent  
5 such expenditures from causing increases in executive agency budgets  
6 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, or fiscal years  
7 thereafter.

8 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 34.501 of Title 62, unless there  
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 A. Unless expressly authorized by the Legislature pursuant to  
12 legislation enacted during or after the 1st Regular Session of the  
13 58th Oklahoma Legislature, no agency, board, commission, department,  
14 council, instrumentality or other entity organized within the  
15 executive branch of state government shall utilize the federal funds  
16 from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES)  
17 allocated to it, in a manner that will or that will be likely to  
18 increase the demand for state-appropriated funds or any other state  
19 funds, however allocated, apportioned, directed or otherwise  
20 provided to any such entity, for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
21 2021, or any fiscal year thereafter.

22 B. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall be  
23 applicable to any federal funds allocated or otherwise made  
24 available for expenditure by an act of Congress or pursuant to

1 federal administrative rules or directives of an agency of the  
2 federal government authorized by federal law on or after December 1,  
3 2020.

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

8 Passed the House of Representatives the 3rd day of March, 2021.

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11 Presiding Officer of the House  
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12 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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