

# An Act

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 20xx

By: Thompson, Hall, and Kirt of  
the Senate

and

Wallace and Hilbert of the  
House

An Act relating to State Department of Health; making appropriations; identifying source; establishing amount; providing purpose; requiring and limiting the utilization of funds; creating certain special accounts; limiting duration of accounts; requiring certain determination; providing and limiting the nature of accounts and funds within accounts; authorizing agency to submit request for certain deposit or transfer; requiring certain compliance and verification; authorizing certain memorandums of understanding; limiting scope; prohibiting certain memoranda terms; authorizing and limiting the promulgation of rules and utilization of procedures; authorizing and limiting the retention of monies for administration costs; requiring certain reports and submissions to certain entities; requiring appearance before certain joint committee; limiting duration of certain requirements; providing determination process; and providing for noncodification.

SUBJECT: State Department of Health

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

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

There is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Health from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Statewide

Recovery Fund of the State Treasury created in Section 1, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2022, the sum of Twenty-six Million Dollars (\$26,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary for the implementation of an electronic health record system and related infrastructure. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner consistent with the recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding on August 31, 2022.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

There is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Health from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Statewide Recovery Fund of the State Treasury created in Section 1, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2022, the sum of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to increase hearing services for disproportionately impacted populations. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner consistent with the recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding on September 20, 2022.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

There is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Health from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Statewide Recovery Fund of the State Treasury created in Section 1, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2022, the sum of Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary for a program providing medical facilities for disproportionately impacted populations. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner consistent with the recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding on September 20, 2022.

SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

There is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Health from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Statewide Recovery Fund of the State Treasury created in Section 1, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2022, the sum of Eight Million Nine Hundred Fifty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$8,959,000.00) or so much thereof as may be

necessary to promote healthy childhood environments through early learning. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner consistent with the recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding on September 20, 2022.

SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

There is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Health from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Statewide Recovery Fund of the State Treasury created in Section 1, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2022, the sum of Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to increase capacity at Community Health Centers in Oklahoma. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner consistent with the recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding on September 20, 2022.

SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

There is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Health from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Statewide Recovery Fund of the State Treasury created in Section 1, Chapter 319, O.S.L. 2022, the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to establish a grant program with Redlands Community College for the purpose of recruiting, education, and stabilizing Oklahoma's health care workforce. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner consistent with the recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding on March 31, 2022.

SECTION 7. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a Statewide Recovery Special Account for the State Department of Health for each appropriation section of this act. The duration of such accounts shall continue for the period of time that monies related to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 are being budgeted, expended, or managed in the state. The ending of such period shall be determined by the State Treasurer and shall result in the closing of such accounts as a matter of law. Such accounts shall be continuing

accounts as otherwise provided in this section, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall exclusively consist of monies related to the relevant appropriations made in this act and as otherwise directed by law. All monies deposited to the credit of such accounts are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the State Department of Health in accordance with the provisions of this act. Expenditures from such accounts shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

B. The State Department of Health is authorized to request in writing that the monies appropriated by the provisions of this act be deposited or transferred to the accounts created pursuant to subsection A of this section. No later than seven (7) calendar days from the date of such request, the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall comply with such request and verify to the requesting agency that such deposit or transfer has been completed.

SECTION 8. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

The State Department of Health may enter into memorandums of understanding with other agencies of the State of Oklahoma for the auditing, documentation, evaluation, implementation, oversight, reporting, and management of funds and associated efforts related to the appropriations made in this act; provided, that no such memorandum of understanding shall require or include, as an option or condition, the direct or practical transfer or relinquishment of control by the agency appropriated such funds to budget, expend, allocate, and request the distribution of the funds appropriated by this act.

SECTION 9. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

The State Department of Health may promulgate rules, utilize existing rules, establish procedures, and utilize existing procedures to implement the provisions of this act; provided, such rules and procedures do not conflict with or impede the provisions of this act.

SECTION 10. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

The State Department of Health shall retain no more than two percent (2%) of the funds appropriated by this act to reimburse:

1. Costs incurred by the State Department of Health; or
2. Costs incurred on the agency's behalf,

associated with the administration of the appropriated funds and programming required by the State Department of Health under the provisions of this act; provided, that no funds shall be retained that would be disallowable under the provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

SECTION 11. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

A. The State Department of Health shall:

1. Submit to the Chairs of the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding, or any successor Senate legislative or House of Representatives legislative committee or joint committee, as designated by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

- a. a written or electronic quarterly report detailing the budgeting, expenditure, and management of all monies appropriated in this act, and
- b. a copy of all memorandums of understanding and contracts with third parties entered into by the State Department of Health to facilitate, assist, or administer powers and duties provided to the State Department of Health under the provisions of this act; and

2. At the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding's request, appear before the Joint Committee no later than six (6) months after the effective date of this act, and as otherwise requested by the

Joint Committee to provide a status update regarding the implementation of the provisions of this act.

B. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall remain applicable for the period of time that monies appropriated under this act are being budgeted, expended, or managed in the state. The ending of such period shall be determined by the State Treasurer, and shall be reported to the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Passed the Senate the 29th day of September, 2022.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 29th day of September,  
2022.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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