## **BILL SUMMARY** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Research Analysis**

The committee substitute to HB 2374 directs the state to develop a program to provide financial assistance, not to exceed \$10,000, for funeral expenses for eligible members of state military forces who die in the line of duty while serving on state active duty orders. The measure directs the Director or their designee of the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management to determine whether the deceased member is eligible for the program and to make final approval of all disburse funds, which shall be paid from the Oklahoma Homeland Security Revolving Fund.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

Officials for the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS) have communicated that state military member deaths are very rare while serving on state duty and that in most years such reimbursable costs would be "low to zero." HB 2374 requires such reimbursements to be paid from the Oklahoma Homeland Security Revolving Fund. OEMHS currently has a balance in the Fund if a reimbursement claim were to occur; therefore, there is currently no expectation of an immediate funding need for OEMHS to cover the provisions of HB 2374 in its current form.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

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