

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 3730

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to alcoholic beverages; amending 37A O.S. 2021, Section 5-129, which relates to the Oklahoma Viticulture and Enology Center Development Revolving Fund; expanding support to viticulture programs and research to universities and colleges; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 37A O.S. 2021, Section 5-129, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-129. A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to be designated the "Oklahoma Viticulture and Enology Center Development Revolving Fund".

B. The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies distributed to the fund:

1. From the apportionment provided in paragraph 1 of Section ~~107~~ 5-104 of this ~~act~~ title; and

1 2. From any other source in accordance with state and federal
2 law.

3 C. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby
4 appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Department for
5 the purpose of:

6 1. ~~Establishing a Viticulture and Enology Center on the campus~~
7 ~~of Redlands Community College~~ Supporting viticulture programs and
8 research at universities and colleges;

9 2. Developing viticulture-related and enology-related education
10 programs;

11 3. Developing technologies, strategies or practices that aid in
12 the production of grapes and wine in Oklahoma; and

13 4. Increasing the positive economic impact of the Oklahoma wine
14 industry on this state.

15 D. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants
16 issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by
17 law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
18 Services for approval and payment.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.
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