

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2036

By: Boatman of the House

and

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11 An Act relating to mental health workers; creating a
12 revolving fund for the Oklahoma State University
13 Medical Authority; creating a pilot program designed
14 by the Oklahoma State University Medical Authority;
15 providing purpose of pilot program; providing for
16 codification; providing an effective date; and
17 declaring an emergency.

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

19 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3278.1 of Title 63, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving
23 fund for the Oklahoma State University Medical Authority, to be
24 designated the "Oklahoma State University Medical Authority
 Behavioral Health Workforce Development Fund". The fund shall be a

1 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall
2 consist of appropriated revenues and private endowments. All monies
3 accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may
4 be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma State University Medical
5 Authority for the purpose of designing and implementing a pilot
6 program at behavioral health facilities, the purpose of which is to
7 provide for behavioral health workforce development and access to
8 behavioral health professionals as provided by law. The purpose of
9 the pilot program includes, but is not limited to, bed conversion
10 and new beds; renovations at behavioral health facilities to
11 accommodate new licensed acute or residential treatment beds;
12 reallocation of beds from adult acute to child/adolescent acute
13 beds; relocation assistance for licensed behavioral health staff
14 currently living out of state; upskilling existing behavioral health
15 workforce; adding new psychiatric residents; and creating a
16 behavioral health trauma fund for intensive home and community-based
17 services. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants
18 issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by
19 law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
20 Services for approval and payment.

21 B. The Oklahoma State University Medical Authority shall
22 prepare a report for the Legislature on the results of the first
23 year of funding, including the number of professionals retained and
24 recruited, and the expected benefits of the program. The report

1 shall be delivered to relevant health care committee and
2 appropriations subcommittee chairs following the first full year of
3 implementation.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

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

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10 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET, dated
11 03/06/2023 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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