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April 13, 2023

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL NO. 2236

By: Boatman and Munson of the
House

and

Montgomery of the Senate

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[ crimes and punishments - Sexual Assault Examination
Fund - sexual assault examination payment - effective
date ]
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 142.20, is amended to read as follows:

Section 142.20 A. A Sexual Assault Examination Fund shall be established for the purpose of providing to a victim of a sexual assault a forensic medical examination by a qualified licensed health care professional and to provide to the victim medications as directed by ~~said~~ the health care professional.

B. As used in this section:

1. "Sexual assault" means:

a. rape, or rape by instrumentation, as defined in

Sections 1111, 1111.1 and 1114 of this title, or

b. forcible sodomy, as defined in Section 888 of this title; and

2. "Qualified licensed health care professional" means a physician, registered nurse, or other licensed health care professional qualified by training and experience to perform sexual assault examinations.

C. The Crime Victims Compensation Board is authorized to pay for this examination and the medications directed by the qualified licensed health care professional upon application submitted by the victim of a sexual assault.

D. The Crime Victims Compensation Board shall establish the procedures for disbursement of the Sexual Assault Examination Fund, but in no event shall the Crime Victims Compensation Board pay an amount to exceed:

1. ~~Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$450.00)~~ Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00) for a sexual assault examination; and

2. ~~Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)~~ One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for medications which are related to the sexual assault and directed and deemed necessary by ~~said~~ the health care professional.

Such payments shall not exceed the amounts specified by this subsection regardless of the amount of any individual bills comprising the claim. Payments shall be made only upon claims signed by the victim or guardian and health care professional.

1 E. The District Attorneys Council is hereby authorized to
2 transfer funds, as specified in the appropriations bill annually,
3 from the Crime Victims Compensation Fund to the Sexual Assault
4 Examination Fund for the payment of sexual assault forensic
5 examinations and medications, pursuant to this section.

6 F. Nothing in this section shall prevent the Legislature from
7 appropriating money to the Sexual Assault Examination Fund for the
8 payment of sexual assault forensic examinations and medications,
9 pursuant to this section.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
12 April 13, 2023 - DO PASS AS AMENDED BY CS
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