

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

3 SENATE BILL 1261

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to veterans memorials; creating the
8 Veterans Memorial Preservation Grant Program for
9 specified purpose; directing promulgation of certain
10 rules; creating the Veterans Memorial Preservation
11 Grant Program Revolving Fund; specifying type of fund
12 and sources of monies; providing for expenditure of
13 funds; providing for codification; and providing an
14 effective date.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 421 of Title 53, unless there is
18 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. There is hereby created the Veterans Memorial Preservation
20 Grant Program within the Oklahoma Historical Society. The purpose
21 of the grant program is to support the preservation of monuments
22 built as memorials to veterans in this state.

23 B. The Oklahoma Historical Society shall promulgate rules
24 establishing the Veterans Memorial Preservation Grant Program
including, but not limited to, eligibility criteria, the application
process, grant award amounts, and permissible uses of grants.

1 C. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving
2 fund for the Oklahoma Historical Society to be designated the
3 "Veterans Memorial Preservation Grant Program Revolving Fund". The
4 fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year
5 limitations, and shall consist of all monies received by the
6 Oklahoma Historical Society from appropriations, gifts, donations,
7 grants, or Oklahoma Historical Society Board of Directors
8 allocations provided for the purpose of the Veterans Memorial
9 Preservation Grant Program. All monies accruing to the credit of
10 the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by
11 the Oklahoma Historical Society for the purpose of awarding grants
12 under the Veterans Memorial Preservation Grant Program, and for
13 direct costs of administering the grant program. Expenditures from
14 the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer
15 against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the
16 Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
17 payment.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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