

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 3940

By: Provenzano

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to higher education; creating the DIPG Grant Program Revolving Fund; specifying source of fund; providing for expenditures; providing purpose of fund; directing the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to award grants; establishing permitted use of grants; directing Regents to establish criteria and process for application; directing that grants be considered on statewide basis; directing regents to promulgate rules; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3235 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to be designated the "Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) Grant Program Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of monies appropriated by the Legislature and private dollars given to the

1 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the purpose of
2 supporting the DIPG grant program. All monies accruing to the credit
3 of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended
4 by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the purpose
5 of running and distributing the DIPG grant program described in
6 subsection B of this section. Expenditures from the fund shall be
7 made on warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed
8 by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education with the Director
9 of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
10 payment.

11 B. Contingent upon the amount of funds available in the DIPG
12 Grant Program Revolving Fund, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
13 Education shall award one or more grants annually to private and
14 public universities in Oklahoma. The grants shall be used to
15 research and find a cure for DIPG. The Oklahoma State Regents for
16 Higher Education shall determine the criteria for and establish a
17 process for the submission of grant applications. The applications
18 shall be considered on a statewide competitive basis. The Oklahoma
19 State Regents for Higher Education shall promulgate rules for the
20 implementation of the grants issued pursuant to this section.

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

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