

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB535
Version:	ENGR
Request Number:	
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Date:	4/4/2023
Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 535 establishes the Oklahoma Community Health Worker Act. The measure directs the State Department of Health to establish a voluntary certificate for community health workers allowing them to:

- serve as a liaison between health and social services
- assist in identifying and communicating gaps in current community and health care resources
- build individual and community capacity

The measure allows the State Commissioner of Health to promulgate rules relating to standards and certification of community health workers.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 535 creates the Oklahoma Community Health Worker Act. The measure directs the State Department of Health to establish a voluntary certificate for community health workers. Such workers may serve as a liaison between health and social services, assist in identifying in gaps current community and health care resources. No fiscal impact is expected.

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Other Considerations

None.