

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

3 SENATE BILL 725

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to law enforcement canines; creating
8 the Canine Cooperative Grant Program; allowing
9 legislative appropriations, private donations, and
10 federal grants; allowing certain expenditures by the
11 Department of Public Safety; providing for
12 promulgation of rules; providing purpose; allowing
13 certain fund retention; providing annual grant
14 limits; providing for codification; and providing an
15 effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-122.4 of Title 47, unless
19 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving
21 fund for the Department of Public Safety to be designated the
22 "Canine Cooperative Grant Program". The fund shall be a continuing
23 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
24 all monies received from legislative appropriations, private
25 donations, and federal grant programs. All monies accruing to the
26 credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and

1 expended by the Department of Public Safety for the administration
2 of the Canine Cooperative Grant Program.

3 B. The Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety is
4 hereby directed to promulgate rules to create the Canine Cooperative
5 Grant Program to provide financial assistance for state, county, and
6 municipal law enforcement entities for acquisition and training of
7 law enforcement canines; provided, canines shall be trained at FEMA
8 certified facilities and shall be specifically allocated for law
9 enforcement officers.

10 C. The Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety shall be
11 authorized to retain five percent (5%) of the proceeds of the fund,
12 annually, to be used for administering the program.

13 D. Subject to availability of funds, the program shall have the
14 following annual limits for grants:

15 1. Grants not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per
16 state law enforcement agency for canine purchases or canine
17 training;

18 2. Grants not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per
19 county sheriff for canine purchases or canine training; and

20 3. Grants not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) per
21 municipal police department for canine purchases or canine training.

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

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