

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 3973

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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 2-7-618A of Title 10A, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. It is the intent of the State of Oklahoma for the Office of
Juvenile Affairs (OJA) to plan, develop, redevelop and occupy campus
modifications to serve Oklahoma youth in need of secure care and
specialty residential services.

1 B. In furtherance of this intent announced in subsection A of
2 this act, OJA shall plan and execute a reestablishment strategy for
3 the facility previously operated as the Southwest Oklahoma Juvenile
4 Center, located in Manitou. The Office of Management and Enterprise
5 Services (OMES) is authorized to assist OJA in assessing the best
6 option and proceeding with necessary steps. The Office of
7 Management and Enterprise Services is authorized to accept, on
8 behalf of the state, such facilities, associated properties, and
9 connecting properties if offered to the State as a gift or by
10 immaterial charge. OJA is authorized to make improvements to the
11 facility as needed to achieve the goal of reestablishing the
12 facility's ability to provide residential services. OJA may utilize
13 funds available in the revolving fund created pursuant to subsection
14 C of this act, along with any other funds available to OJA to
15 achieve the purpose described in this act.

16 C. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving
17 fund for the Office of Juvenile Affairs to be designated the
18 "Southwest Oklahoma Juvenile Center Reestablishment Revolving Fund".
19 The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year
20 limitations, and shall consist of all monies legally designated for
21 deposit to the fund. All monies accruing to the credit of said fund
22 are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the
23 Office of Juvenile Affairs to fulfill the provisions of this act.
24 Expenditures from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by

1 the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with
2 the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for
3 approval and payment.

4 SECTION 2. REPEALER 10A O.S. 2021, Section 2-7-618, is
5 hereby repealed.

6 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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