An Act

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 146

By: Murdock of the Senate

and

Newton and Adams of the House

An Act relating to the Department of Public Safety; amending Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 165, O.S.L. 2022 (74 O.S. Supp. 2024, Sections 9101 and 9102), which relate to the Mental Wellness Division; expanding scope of eligibility; updating statutory reference; updating statutory language; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Department of Public Safety

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 165, O.S.L. 2022 (74 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 9101), is amended to read as follows:

Section 9101. A. The Department of Public Safety shall establish and maintain a Mental Wellness Division to provide mental wellness services and programs to public safety personnel and retirees thereof to promote good mental wellness. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall appoint the Director of the Mental Wellness Division.

B. The Director of the Mental Wellness Division shall report to the Commissioner. All current and former employees of the Mental Wellness Division shall maintain the privacy of all public safety personnel served by the Division or who participate in its programs. No privileged personal health information shall ever be shared with

the Commissioner or made public without the consent of that person. However, aggregate mental health information may be shared with the Commissioner. Aggregate mental health information may be made public by the Commissioner if, in the judgment of the Commissioner, doing so could improve public safety mental wellness policies for public safety personnel and the information is made public for this sole purpose. Provided, no aggregate mental health information may be shared or made public if doing so could reveal otherwise privileged personal mental health information about any specific It shall be the duty of the Director of the Division to individual. establish the necessary policies and procedures to ensure the privacy and confidentiality requirements of this section and of all other applicable health privacy laws. Any breach of the privacy provisions of this section and of any other applicable health privacy laws must be timely and thoroughly investigated and the appropriate disciplinary and corrective actions taken.

- C. The Mental Wellness Division is authorized to enter into partnerships with private entities to fulfill its mandate.
- D. The offices, records, communications, information technology, equipment, and any other resources of the Mental Wellness Division shall be located and maintained separately from that of the other divisions within the Department.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 165, O.S.L. 2022 (74 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 9102), is amended to read as follows:

Section 9102. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Department of Public Safety on behalf of the Mental Wellness Division of the Department of Public Safety to be designated the "Mental Wellness Division Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of those monies appropriated to the fund by law or deposited in the fund as provided pursuant to the provisions of Section 3 of this act 9103 of this title. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Mental Wellness Division for the purpose of providing mental wellness services and programs to public safety personnel and retirees thereof. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims

filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

Passed the Senate the 22nd day of May, 2025. Presiding Officer of the Senate Passed the House of Representatives the 22nd day of May, 2025. Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Received by the Office of the Governor this day of _____, 20____, at ____ o'clock _____ M. By: _____ Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this day of _____, 20____, at ____ o'clock ____ M. Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this ______ day of _____, 20 ____, at ____ o'clock _____ M.

By: _____