

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 251

By: Gollihare of the Senate

and

Stinson, Pae, Pittman, and
Deck of the House

An Act relating to mental health and substance abuse services; amending Section 4, Chapter 201, O.S.L. 2023 (43A O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2-312.4), which relates to awards from the County Community Safety Investment Fund; expanding types of evidence-based services that qualify for funds; establishing minimum allocation for county government or multi-county partnership; updating statutory references; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: County Community Safety Investment Fund

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 201, O.S.L. 2023 (43A O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2-312.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-312.4. A. Subject to availability of funds under ~~Section 631 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ Section 2-312.1 of this title, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall annually issue a request for proposals by which county governments or multi-county partnerships may apply for funds for the development and implementation of evidence-based:

1. Mental health and substance abuse treatment programs or other health care programs provided in the community;

2. Pretrial diversion programs, mental health and substance use jail intake screenings, or jail reentry programs;

3. Employment programs;

4. Education programs; or

5. Housing programs.

B. The request for proposals shall include, but not be limited to, the proposed services, number of individuals to be served by the proposed services or programs, and the manner in which the services or programs will partner with or be supported by local Department-contracted or -certified entities.

C. For a proposal to be considered, the applying county government or multi-county partnership must submit all necessary documents to meet the requirements outlined in the request for proposals.

D. The number of awards and funding amounts of each award shall be at the discretion of the Department and shall be based on total available funds, total county population, and the criteria in subsection B of this section. Each county government or multi-county partnership shall be allocated at least half of one percent (0.5%) of the total amount appropriated for the award cycle.

E. The Department shall submit an annual report to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives that includes the amount awarded to each county government or multi-county partnership and a summary of services provided by each county government or multi-county partnership.

F. The Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of ~~this act~~ this section and Sections 2-312.1, 2-312.2, and 2-312.3 of this title including, but not limited to, rules that set qualifications for programs eligible to receive funds under this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 17th day of March, 2025.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 7th 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.

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Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this _____

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

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