An Act

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 806

By: Pugh of the Senate

and

Moore, Pogemiller, Deck, Waldron, Hefner, Ranson, Pittman, and Alonso-Sandoval of the House

An Act relating to nutrition services; creating the Food is Medicine Act; providing short title; directing the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to seek certain federal approval; stating certain requirements for Food is Medicine programs; authorizing certain covered services; directing the State Department of Education to provide technical assistance related to the Oklahoma Farm to School Program Act; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Nutrition services

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Food is Medicine \mbox{Act} ".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5009.7 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

- A. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall seek any necessary federal approval to provide coverage for nutrition supports under the state Medicaid program for the purpose of implementing Food is Medicine programs as provided by this section.
- B. Food is Medicine programs shall be designed to improve health outcomes for Medicaid members with nutrition-related chronic diseases through nutrition services and to reduce the need for medical care.
- C. Nutrition services covered under the state Medicaid program may include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Case management;
 - 2. Nutrition counseling;
 - 3. Meals or pantry stocking;
 - 4. Nutrition prescriptions; and
 - 5. Grocery provisions.
- D. Wherever feasible, the Authority and contracted entities under the state Medicaid program shall prioritize the inclusion of community-based organizations and local growers to support the purchase of locally grown food in nutrition prescriptions.
- SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-147.2 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The State Department of Education shall provide, to schools who apply for grants under the Oklahoma Farm to School Program Act codified at Section 5-60.1 et seq. of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, technical assistance with applying for grants and administering programs that expand student access to fresh, healthy food.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

SECTION 5. 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 26th day of March, 2025. Presiding Officer of the Senate Passed the House of Representatives the 1st 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: