

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

February 18, 2026

2 **AS AMENDED**

3 SENATE BILL NO. 1297

By: Brooks

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6 **[Decennial Census - Revolving Fund - expenditures -**
7 **determination - reversion - codification - effective**
8 **date -**
9 **emergency]**

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

11 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5013.4 of Title 74, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
15 for the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, to be designated the
16 "Oklahoma Decennial Census Accuracy Revolving Fund". The fund shall
17 be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and
18 shall consist of all monies received by the Oklahoma Department of
19 Commerce from appropriations of the Legislature designated for
20 deposit in this fund. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund
21 are hereby appropriated and shall be budgeted and expended to
22 provide funding for 501(c)(3) grassroots outreach as well as a
23 marketing campaign to maximize the accuracy of the 2030 Federal
24 Decennial Census. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon

1 warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as
2 prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and
3 Enterprise Services for approval and payment. On July 1, 2031, if
4 no determination is made by the State Treasurer pursuant to the
5 provisions of this section authorizing expenditures from this fund,
6 all unencumbered funds remaining in the Oklahoma Decennial Census
7 Accuracy Revolving Fund shall be transferred to the State Treasurer
8 for deposit in the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2026.

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

14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
15 February 18, 2026 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
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