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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Department of
8 Veterans Affairs; amending 62 O.S. 2021, Sections
9 34.48, 34.57, 34.64, and 34.80, which relate to
10 federal funds, agency clearing accounts, payment of
11 claims or payrolls, and records of warrants, checks,
12 or orders by the Office of Management and Enterprise
13 Services; defining term; exempting certain federal
14 funds administered by the Oklahoma Department of
15 Veterans Affairs from certain provisions; requiring
16 the Department to maintain certain records; requiring
17 the Department to electronically submit certain
18 reports; requiring the Department to remain subject
19 to certain examinations; exempting certain patient-
20 pay monies received by the Department from certain
21 requirements; construing provisions; authorizing the
22 Department to establish and administer certain
23 procedures; establishing certain requirements for
24 certain procedures; exempting certain funds from
certain filing or certification requirements;
transferring certain funds to the Oklahoma Department
of Veterans Affairs Revolving Fund; creating the
Oklahoma Veterans Assistance Fund; amending 72 O.S.
2021, Section 222, as amended by Section 2, Chapter
42, O.S.L. 2024 (72 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 222),
which relates to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
Affairs Revolving Fund; allowing certain funds to be
deposited into certain accounts by the Department;
requiring certain records to be subject to audit;
removing certain requirement to transfer certain
funds; allowing certain expenditures to be kept in
certain fund; exempting certain monies from certain
fiscal year limitations; establishing certain
requirements for certain funds to be withdrawn;
amending 74 O.S. 2021, Section 85.12, as amended by
Section 2, Chapter 339, O.S.L. 2023 (74 O.S. Supp.

2025, Section 85.12), which relates to act not to affect nonconflicting procedures; exempting certain purchase of goods and services by the Department from certain provisions; updating statutory language; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.48, is amended to read as follows:

Section 34.48. A. For the purposes of this section, "federal funds" means federal monies provided to this state with the legal expectation that the state will transmit or expend such monies on specified program purposes or recipients and that do not become state general revenues.

B. Federal funds received by any agency of the state shall be deposited in the State Treasury and disbursed upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer. These funds shall be subject to the other fiscal controls imposed by the Oklahoma State Finance Act, except where federal laws and/or or regulations of a federal agency which makes such funds available to the State requires such federal funds to be granted, deposited, allocated or expended through channels other than those required by the provisions of the Oklahoma State Finance Act.

C. Notwithstanding subsection B of this section, or any other law, federal funds administered by the Oklahoma Department of

1 Veterans Affairs that are received from the United States Department
2 of Veterans Affairs for direct distribution to, or reimbursement of
3 per diem or expenditure on behalf of, eligible recipients pursuant
4 to federal law or regulation shall be exempt from the requirement of
5 deposit in the State Treasury and from disbursement through the
6 Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

7 D. The Department shall:

8 1. Maintain accounting records for exempt federal funds on a
9 basis consistent with applicable federal requirements;

10 2. Electronically submit quarterly informational reports to the
11 Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the
12 House of Representatives, and the Director of the Office of
13 Management and Enterprise Services; and

14 3. Remain subject to examination by the State Auditor and
15 Inspector and to all federal audit and compliance requirements.

16 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.57, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 34.57. A. For the purpose of this section, "private
19 patient-pay monies" means private funds received by the Oklahoma
20 Department of Veterans Affairs by patients in State Veterans Homes
21 in return for services provided by such Homes.

22 B. There is hereby created in the official depository in the
23 State Treasury an agency clearing account for each state officer,
24 department, board, commission, institution or agency of the state,

1 hereinafter referred to collectively as state agencies. An agency
2 special account established under Section 7.2 of this title may be
3 used for the purposes of an agency clearing account.

4 B. C. It shall be the duty of each state agency, officer or
5 employee, to deposit in the agency clearing account, or agency
6 special account, established under Section 7.2 of this title, all
7 monies of every kind, including, but not limited to:

8 1. Tax revenues;

9 2. Receipts from licenses, examinations, per diem and all other
10 reimbursements, fees, permits, fines, forfeitures and penalties; and

11 3. Income from money and property, grants and contracts,
12 refunds, receipts, reimbursements, judgments, sales of materials and
13 services of employees, and nonrevenue receipts, received by a state
14 agency, officer or employee by reason of the existence of ~~and/or~~ or
15 operation of a state agency.

16 C. D. All such monies collected pursuant to this section shall
17 be deposited as follows in the agency clearing account or agency
18 special account established therefor:

19 1. Receipts of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or more shall be
20 deposited on the same banking day as received; and

21 2. Receipts of less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) may be
22 held until accumulated receipts equal One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)
23 or for five (5) business days, whichever occurs first, and shall
24 then be deposited no later than the next business day.

- a. Each state agency that has custody of receipts of less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) shall provide adequate safekeeping of such receipts.
- b. No disbursements shall be made from such receipts prior to this deposit.
- c. All checks received must be restrictively endorsed immediately upon receipt.

D- E. The State Treasurer is authorized to accept deposits directly to State Treasury funds, consisting of cash, bank drafts, bank cashier's checks, federal treasury checks and other forms of remittance which are uniformly honored for payment. The State Treasurer is further authorized to accept checks deposited directly into State Treasury funds if the depositing state agency maintains sufficient balances in their agency clearing account to cover return items. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection E of this section, state agencies are authorized to maintain sufficient balances in their agency clearing account to cover returned checks, credit card adjustments, credit card returns, and other debit items. Amounts of said balances shall be subject to approval by the State Treasurer.

All checks, drafts, orders and vouchers so deposited shall be credited and cleared at par and should payment be refused on any such check, draft, order or voucher, or should the same prove otherwise worthless, the amount thereof shall be charged by the

1 State Treasurer against the account or fund theretofore credited
2 with the same; and the person issuing the check, draft, order or
3 voucher shall be charged a fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) to
4 cover the costs of processing each returned check; provided, such
5 charge shall not be made unless efforts have been made to present
6 such check, draft, order or voucher for payment a second time.

7 Unless otherwise provided by law, such fee shall be deposited to the
8 revolving fund of the state agency to which the check, draft, order
9 or voucher was issued. If no revolving fund exists for the state
10 agency, then such fee shall be deposited to the General Revenue
11 Fund. The State Treasurer shall not accept for deposit to any
12 agency clearing account, or any agency special account, created
13 pursuant to the provisions of Section 7.2 of this title, any
14 warrant, check, order or voucher drawn against any state fund or
15 account in favor of any individual or other person except the state
16 officer, department, institution or agency for which account or fund
17 the deposit is made, or a bona fide student enrolled at any of the
18 state institutions of higher learning when such warrant, check,
19 order or voucher is endorsed to the institution as payment of any
20 fees or other accounts due such institution.

21 E. F. 1. Except as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection,
22 at least once each month each state agency shall transfer monies
23 deposited in agency clearing accounts to the various funds or
24 accounts, subdivisions of the state, or functions as may be provided

1 by statute and no money shall ever be disbursed from the agency
2 clearing account for any other purpose, except in refund of
3 erroneous or excessive collections and credits.

4 2. District offices under the control of the Corporation
5 Commission shall be permitted to make deposit of receipts on a
6 monthly basis, provided that such receipts must be deposited within
7 the month received or when such receipts equal or exceed One Hundred
8 Dollars (\$100.00), whichever first occurs. The Oklahoma Tourism and
9 Recreation Department and entities under its control shall be
10 required to make deposit of receipts on a weekly basis, provided
11 that such receipts must be deposited within seven (7) calendar days
12 from the date received or when such deposits equal or exceed Five
13 Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), whichever first occurs.

14 F. G. Funds and revenues of the Oklahoma Municipal Power
15 Authority, the Grand River Dam Authority, the Oklahoma Ordnance
16 Works Authority and the Midwestern Oklahoma Development Authority
17 are exempt from the requirements of this section.

18 G. H. Monies used for investment purposes by the Oklahoma
19 Firefighters Pension and Retirement System, the Oklahoma Police
20 Pension and Retirement System, the Uniform Retirement System for
21 Justices and Judges, the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System,
22 the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, the Teachers'
23 Retirement System of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
24 Education, the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board

1 and the Commissioners of the Land Office are exempt from the
2 requirements of this section, and shall be placed with the
3 respective custodian bank or trust company.

4 I. Private patient-pay monies shall be exempt from the
5 requirements of this section. Such funds may be deposited into an
6 interest-bearing account and expended by the Department outside of
7 the State Treasury, provided that the Department maintains complete
8 accounting records and remains subject to audit by the State Auditor
9 and Inspector.

10 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.64, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 34.64. A. Except as otherwise provided in the Oklahoma
13 State Finance Act and except for Automated Clearing House (ACH)
14 debits for transactional fees, procedures for paying claims or
15 payrolls shall include the following:

16 1. All miscellaneous claims and payroll claims for the payment
17 of money from the State Treasury shall be filed with the Director of
18 the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for audit and
19 settlement prior to being filed for payment with the State
20 Treasurer;

21 2. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
22 Services may establish alternative procedures for the settlement of
23 claims whenever such procedures are more advantageous so long as
24 they are consistent with the requirements of state law;

1 3. Such alternative procedures shall be at the discretion of
2 the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services and
3 may include, but are not limited to:

4 a. a procedure to permit consolidated payment to vendors
5 for claims involving more than one agency of the state
6 when audit and settlement of such claims, as
7 hereinafter provided, can in all respects be
8 accomplished,

9 b. procedures based upon valid statistical sampling
10 models for preaudit of claims, against contracts,
11 purchase orders and other commitments before entering
12 such claims against the accounts, and

13 c. policies, procedures and performance criteria for the
14 participation of agencies or departments, not
15 authorized by this section, to engage in an
16 alternative system for the settlement of claims; and

17 4. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
18 Services may use a numeric or alphanumeric designation to cross-
19 reference claims or payrolls to check warrant numbers, transfer
20 entry or optional settlement mode used in the payment thereof.

21 B. Except for ACH debits for transactional fees, after claims
22 or payrolls or both have been properly audited and recorded against
23 the respective contracts, purchase orders, other commitments and

1 accounts, the Division of Central Accounting and Reporting shall
2 certify such claims or payrolls to the State Treasurer for payment.

3 C. Except for ACH debits for transactional fees, it shall be
4 the responsibility of the Division of Central Accounting and
5 Reporting to determine that:

- 6 1. All material legal requirements concerning the expenditure
7 of monies involved in each claim or payroll have been complied with;
- 8 2. Funds have been properly and legally allotted for the
9 payment of the claim or payroll; and
- 10 3. A sufficient balance exists for the payment of same.

11 D. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
12 Services or bonded employees in the Division of Central Accounting
13 and Reporting authorized by the Director shall certify to the State
14 Treasurer that the claim or payroll has been approved for payment.

15 E. 1. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
16 Services shall be authorized to establish necessary agency
17 disbursing funds to efficiently accommodate the cash flow
18 requirements of applicable federal regulations, bond indebtedness
19 and other directives deemed appropriate by the Director.

20 2. Agencies operating such disbursing funds are authorized to
21 establish a preaudit and settlement system for claims or payments or
22 both relating to the purposes of the stated directives.

23 3. The State Treasurer shall establish procedures for the state
24 in accordance with Federal Banking and National Automated Clearing

1 House Association standards and agencies shall be required to
2 utilize automated clearing house procedures established by the State
3 Treasurer.

4 4. No individual or entity shall be required to have a bank
5 account unless required by federal law or federal regulation.

6 5. Agencies shall be further required to present these
7 transactions to the Office of Management and Enterprise Services in
8 a summarized format and shall include any accounting information
9 necessary as determined by the Director of the Office of Management
10 and Enterprise Services including, but not limited to, information
11 related to federal law.

12 6. Administrative expenditures shall not be eligible for these
13 procedures.

14 7. The efficiency of the payment system shall be considered
15 when the interest earnings of the state are not diminished.

16 F. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
17 Services shall be authorized to process payments for federal tax
18 withholding without claim forms. The Director shall establish a
19 separate fund for the purpose of accumulating federal income tax
20 withholding from payrolls and remitting same to the United States
21 Treasury. Institutions under the administrative authority of the
22 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education which are responsible
23 for processing payments for federal tax withholding shall be

1 authorized to process such payments to the United States Treasury
2 without claim forms.

3 G. 1. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
4 Services shall be authorized to process, without claim forms,
5 interest payments to the U.S. Treasury as required by federal law.

6 2. Agencies are responsible for the accrual of such interest
7 liability of the state and shall provide payment to the Office of
8 Management and Enterprise Services in the amount and method
9 prescribed by the Director of the Office of Management and
10 Enterprise Services.

11 3. Any liability of the U.S. Treasury as determined by federal
12 law shall be deposited in the State Treasury and transferred by the
13 Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services to the
14 General Revenue Fund of the state subsequent to final determination
15 and necessary audit resolution.

16 H. Payments disbursed from the State Treasury shall be conveyed
17 solely through an electronic payment mechanism. The State Treasurer
18 may provide an exemption from the provisions of this subsection,
19 with cause, provided the number of exempted payments and a
20 corresponding list of causes shall be published in a regularly
21 updated report which is featured prominently on the State
22 Treasurer's website.

23 I. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Oklahoma State
24 Finance Act and subject to any applicable restrictions in the

1 Oklahoma Constitution, the Director of the Office of Management and
2 Enterprise Services may establish procedures by which agencies may
3 contract for, incur and account for transaction-based fees, such as
4 fees for accepting credit cards, that may be processed by ACH debit
5 without claim forms, provided the agency has sufficient statutory
6 authority for purchase. Prior to authorizing ACH debit transactions
7 without claim forms, state agencies shall provide notice to the
8 State Treasurer.

9 J. 1. The provisions of this section shall not apply to
10 claims, payrolls, or other payments made by or on behalf of the
11 Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs solely for the operation of
12 State Veterans Homes established pursuant to Sections 221 through
13 240 of Title 72 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The Department is hereby
14 authorized to establish and administer internal procedures for the
15 preaudit, settlement, and payment of such claims and payrolls,
16 provided that:

17 a. all expenditures are processed in accordance with
18 applicable federal laws and regulations governing
19 veterans' care and benefits,
20 b. the Department maintains adequate internal financial
21 controls and documentation to ensure compliance with
22 the Oklahoma State Finance Act where not otherwise in
23 conflict with this subsection, and

1 c. the Department shall provide to the Director of the
2 Office of Management and Enterprise Services, upon
3 request, summarized reporting necessary for statewide
4 accounting and financial disclosure requirements.

5 2. Payments made pursuant to this subsection shall not require
6 filing or certification with the Office of Management and Enterprise
7 Services prior to payment by the State Treasurer.

8 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.80, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Section 34.80. A. All warrants, checks or orders issued by the
11 State Treasurer against claims submitted through the Office of
12 Management and Enterprise Services in payment of obligations of the
13 state which shall for any cause remain outstanding or unpaid for a
14 period of ninety (90) days after funds are available for their
15 payment shall be revoked and canceled.

16 B. Such warrants, checks or orders shall be entered into the
17 records of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services and the
18 State Treasurer and the administrative head of the agency certifying
19 the claim for payment shall be notified that such items have been
20 canceled.

21 C. If, for any reason, a warrant should not be issued to
22 replace a warrant canceled pursuant to the provisions of this
23 section, the administrative head of the agency originally certifying
24 the claim for payment shall, within seven (7) days after

1 notification of the cancellation, advise the Director of the Office
2 of Management and Enterprise Services that a reissue should not be
3 made.

4 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B of this
5 section, warrants issued or caused to be issued by the Department of
6 Human Services for public assistance or medical assistance may be
7 reissued at any time within three (3) years after cancellation upon
8 submission of the canceled warrants to the Department.

9 E. No canceled warrants shall be paid, except that the holder
10 of any warrant that may have been canceled pursuant to the
11 provisions of this section may, within thirty-six (36) months
12 following the month in which the warrant was canceled, present the
13 warrant or an affidavit of loss or destruction and a request for
14 reissuance to the Director of the Office of Management and
15 Enterprise Services.

16 F. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
17 Services shall certify a claim as needed for payment of those
18 verified unpaid requests presented, unless the certifying agency has
19 advised that a reissuance should not be made.

20 G. 1. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a fund to
21 be known as the Canceled Warrant Fund.

22 2. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
23 Services shall transfer to the Canceled Warrant Fund the total of
24 the payable amounts of the warrants canceled pursuant to the

1 provisions of this section from the funds and accounts against which
2 the canceled warrants had been drawn.

3 3. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall
4 disburse from the fund such amounts as necessary to pay warrants
5 reissued as provided in this section.

6 4. These expenditures shall remain recorded in the funds and
7 accounts against which the original canceled warrants were issued
8 and they shall not be considered expenses of the state nor shall
9 receipts to the fund be considered revenue to the state.

10 5. Any such claim drawn against the Canceled Warrant Fund shall
11 identify the current holder of record and the warrant number of the
12 canceled warrant, which shall be provided on the warrant record.

13 H. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
14 Services shall determine the minimum necessary balance to be
15 maintained in the Canceled Warrant Fund and on the third Monday of
16 October shall transfer the amount in excess of the required minimum
17 balance to the General Revenue Fund of the current year. The
18 minimum balance retained shall be not less than the total amount of
19 the warrants canceled by statute within the past thirty-six (36)
20 months preceding October 1 of each year and which remain eligible
21 for replacement according to the records of the Office of Management
22 and Enterprise Services. Provided, funds in the Canceled Warrant
23 Fund due to the cancellation of warrants from the Crime Victims
24 Compensation Fund shall be transferred to the Crime Victims

1 Compensation Fund and not to the General Revenue Fund. Funds in the
2 Canceled Warrant Fund due to the cancellation of warrants originally
3 issued by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall be
4 transferred to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs Revolving
5 Fund or other fund of origin within the Department and shall not be
6 deposited to the General Revenue Fund.

7 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 240.1 of Title 72, unless there
9 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 There is hereby created in the State Treasury or in one or more
11 financial institutions approved by the State Treasurer, at the
12 discretion of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs, a
13 revolving fund for the Department to be designated the "Oklahoma
14 Veterans Assistance Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not
15 subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all
16 revenues allocated by law including, but not limited to, federal and
17 private contributions, and such other monies as may be appropriated
18 or otherwise directed to the fund by the Legislature. Such funds
19 may be deposited into an interest-bearing account and expended by
20 the Department outside of the State Treasury, provided that the
21 Department maintains complete accounting records and remains subject
22 to audit by the State Auditor and Inspector. Monies in the fund
23 shall be used exclusively for the payment of operational costs of
24 the Department, not otherwise funded through legislative

1 appropriations or the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs
2 Revolving Fund. Expenditures may include, but shall not be limited
3 to, veterans' programs, state veterans' cemeteries, workforce
4 development, outreach initiatives, and other expenses necessary for
5 the support of veterans as determined by the Department. No funds
6 shall be withdrawn or expended for any purpose unless the funds have
7 been allotted and budgeted in accordance with the Oklahoma State
8 Finance Act, and only in the amounts and for the purposes provided
9 by the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
10 Affairs. Notwithstanding any provisions of law, all interest and
11 income derived from deposits to the Oklahoma Veterans Assistance
12 Fund shall be credited to the Oklahoma Veterans Assistance Fund.

13 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 72 O.S. 2021, Section 222, as
14 amended by Section 2, Chapter 42, O.S.L. 2024 (72 O.S. Supp. 2025,
15 Section 222), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 222. A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury
17 or in one or more financial institutions approved by the State
18 Treasurer, at the discretion of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
19 Affairs, a revolving fund for the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
20 Affairs to be known as the "Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs
21 Revolving Fund". The revolving fund shall be a continuing fund, not
22 subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all funds
23 and monies received by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs,
24 its constituent institutions, and/or or the Oklahoma Veterans

1 Commission, from any gifts, contributions, bequests, individual
2 reimbursements except as otherwise provided by law, and other
3 sources of revenue, for the care or support of war veterans
4 discharged other than under dishonorable conditions, who have been
5 admitted and cared for at the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
6 Affairs ~~Centers~~ Homes at Ardmore, Claremore, Clinton, Lawton/Ft.
7 Sill, Norman, Sulphur or Sallisaw. Provided, no grants-in-aid,
8 reimbursements, or other revenue from the United States government
9 or any instrumentality of the United States government shall be
10 deposited in the fund. Such funds may be deposited into an
11 interest-bearing account and expended by the Department outside of
12 the State Treasury, provided that the Department maintains complete
13 accounting records and remains subject to audit by the State Auditor
14 and Inspector. Provided further, nothing contained herein prohibits
15 the establishment and utilization of special agency accounts by the
16 Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs and its constituent
17 institutions, as may be approved by the Director of the Office of
18 Management and Enterprise Services, for receipt and disbursement of
19 the personal funds of Veteran ~~Center~~ Home patients and members
20 and/or for receipt and disbursement of charitable contributions and
21 donations for use by and for patients and members.

22 B. The revolving fund herein created shall be used by the
23 Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs to pay for the care of war
24 veterans discharged other than under dishonorable conditions, in

1 Veterans Centers Homes, to pay the general operating expenses of the
2 Veterans Centers Homes, including the payment of salaries and wages
3 of officials and employees, to pay for the employee safety programs
4 and incentive awards provided for in Section 63.10a of this title,
5 and to remodel, repair, construct, build additions, modernize, or
6 add improvements of domiciliary or hospital buildings necessary for
7 the care of veterans, including tuberculosis, mentally ill or
8 neuropsychiatric patients, but not excluding others; and
9 architectural plans, specifications, or other costs pertinent
10 thereto.

11 ~~C. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs may transfer~~
12 ~~monies from the revolving fund created in this section to the W.V.C.~~
13 ~~Revolving Fund in the State Treasury.~~

14 ~~D. All expenditures from the revolving fund shall be made upon~~
15 ~~warrants issued by the State Treasurer based upon claims approved by~~
16 ~~the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs, as provided by law, and~~
17 ~~filed with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise~~
18 ~~Services for approval and payment~~ No funds shall be withdrawn or
19 expended for any purpose unless the funds have been allotted and
20 budgeted in accordance with the Oklahoma State Finance Act, and only
21 in the amounts and for the purposes provided by the Executive
22 Director of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs.

23 Notwithstanding any provision of law, all interest and income
24 derived from deposits to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs

1 Revolving Fund shall be credited to the Oklahoma Department of
2 Veterans Affairs Revolving Fund.

3 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 85.12, as
4 amended by Section 2, Chapter 339, O.S.L. 2023 (74 O.S. Supp. 2025,
5 Section 85.12), is amended to read as follows:

6 Section 85.12. A. The provisions of this section shall not be
7 construed to affect any law relating to fiscal or accounting
8 procedure except as they may be directly in conflict herewith; and
9 all claims, warrants, and bonds shall be examined, inspected, and
10 approved as now provided by law.

11 B. Except as otherwise provided by this section, the
12 acquisitions specified in this subsection shall be made in
13 compliance with Section 85.39 of this title and purchasing card
14 program requirements but are not subject to other provisions of the
15 Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act:

16 1. Food and other products produced by state institutions and
17 agencies;

18 2. The printing or duplication of publications or forms of
19 whatsoever kind or character by state agencies if the work is
20 performed upon their own equipment by their own employees. Pursuant
21 to this paragraph, the state agency may only use equipment owned or
22 leased by the agency and may only utilize that equipment for
23 printing services required by the agency in performing duties
24 imposed upon the agency or functions authorized to be performed by

1 the agency. Any use of the equipment by the agency pursuant to an
2 agreement or contract with any other entity resulting in delivery of
3 intermediate or finished products to the entity purchasing or using
4 the products shall be subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma
5 Central Purchasing Act and associated rules;

6 3. Department of Transportation and Transportation Commission
7 contractual services or right-of-way acquisitions, contracts awarded
8 pursuant to bids let by the Transportation Commission for the
9 maintenance or construction of streets, roads, highways, bridges,
10 underpasses or any other transportation facilities under the control
11 of the Department of Transportation, equipment or material
12 acquisitions accruing to the Department of Transportation required
13 in federal aid contracts and acquisitions for public-service-type
14 announcements initiated by the Department of Transportation, but not
15 acquisitions for advertising, public relations or employment
16 services;

17 4. Utility services regulated by a state or federal regulatory
18 commission, municipal ordinance or an Indian Tribal Council;

19 5. Acquisitions by the University Hospitals Authority. The
20 Authority shall develop standards for the acquisition of products
21 and services and may elect to utilize the Purchasing Division. The
22 standards shall foster economy and short response time and shall
23 include appropriate safeguards and record-keeping requirements to

1 ensure appropriate competition and economical and efficient
2 purchasing;

3 6. Custom harvesting by the Department of Corrections for the
4 Department or its institutions;

5 7. Subject to prior approval of the State Purchasing Director,
6 acquisitions from private prison suppliers which are subject to the
7 contracting procedures of Section 561 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma
8 Statutes;

9 8. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority;

10 9. Acquisitions by the Grand River Dam Authority;

11 10. Acquisitions by rural water, sewer, gas or solid waste
12 management districts created pursuant to the Rural Water, Sewer, Gas
13 and Solid Waste Management Districts Act;

14 11. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Ordnance Works Authority, the
15 Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority or the Midwestern
16 Oklahoma Development Authority;

17 12. Expenditure of monies appropriated to the State Board of
18 Education for local and state-supported financial support of public
19 schools, except monies allocated therefrom for the Administrative
20 and Support Functions of the State Department of Education;

21 13. Expenditure of monies appropriated to the State Department
22 of Rehabilitation Services for educational programs or educational
23 materials for the Oklahoma School for the Blind and the Oklahoma
24 School for the Deaf;

1 14. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Department of Career
2 and Technology Education for the development, revision or updating
3 of vocational curriculum materials, and contracts entered into by
4 the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education for
5 training and supportive services that address the needs of new or
6 expanding industries;

7 15. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Center for the
8 Advancement of Science and Technology for professional services;

9 16. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Department of
10 Commerce pursuant to the provisions of Section 5066.4 of this title;

11 17. Acquisitions made by the Oklahoma Historical Society from
12 monies used to administer the White Hair Memorial;

13 18. Purchases of pharmaceuticals available through a multistate
14 or multigovernmental contract if such pharmaceuticals are or have
15 been on state contract within the last fiscal year, and the terms of
16 such contract are more favorable to the state or agency than the
17 terms of a state contract for the same products, as determined by
18 the State Purchasing Director. The state entity designated by law,
19 as specified in Section 1010.3 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
20 shall participate in the purchase of pharmaceuticals available
21 through such contracts;

22 19. Contracts for managed health care services entered into by
23 the state entity designated by law or the Department of Human
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1 Services, as specified in paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section
2 1010.3 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

3 20. Acquisitions by a state agency through a General Services
4 Administration contract or other federal contract if the
5 acquisitions are not on current statewide contract or the terms of
6 the federal contract are more favorable to the agency than the terms
7 of a statewide contract for the same products;

8 21. Acquisitions of clothing for clients of the Department of
9 Human Services and acquisitions of food for group homes operated by
10 the Department of Human Services;

11 22. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Energy Resources Board;

12 23. Acquisitions of clothing for juveniles in the custody of
13 the Office of Juvenile Affairs and acquisitions of food for group
14 homes operated by the Office of Juvenile Affairs;

15 24. State contracts for flexible benefits plans pursuant to the
16 Oklahoma State Employees Benefits Act, Section 1361 et seq. of this
17 title;

18 25. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Department of Securities to
19 investigate, initiate, or pursue administrative, civil or criminal
20 proceedings involving potential violations of the acts under the
21 Department's jurisdiction and acquisitions by the Oklahoma
22 Department of Securities for its investor education program;

23 26. Acquisitions for resale in and through canteens operated
24 pursuant to Section 537 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes and

1 canteens established at an institution or facility operated by the
2 Office of Juvenile Affairs;

3 27. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Boll Weevil Eradication
4 Organization for employment and personnel services, and for
5 acquiring sprayers, blowers, traps and attractants related to the
6 eradication of boll weevils in this state or as part of a national
7 or regional boll weevil eradication program;

8 28. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Indigent Defense
9 System for expert services pursuant to the provisions of subsection
10 D of Section 1355.4 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

11 29. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Correctional Industries and
12 the Agri-Services programs of the Department of Corrections of raw
13 materials, component parts and other products, any equipment
14 excluding vehicles, and any services excluding computer consultant
15 services used to produce goods or services for resale and for the
16 production of agricultural products;

17 30. Contracts entered into by the Department of Human Services
18 for provision of supported living services to members of the
19 plaintiff class in Homeward Bound, Inc., et al. v. The Hissom
20 Memorial Center, et al., Case Number 85-C-437-E, United States
21 District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma;

22 31. Contracts negotiated by the Office of Juvenile Affairs with
23 designated Youth Services Agencies and the Oklahoma Association of
24 Youth Services, or another Oklahoma nonprofit corporation whose

1 membership consists solely of Youth Services Agencies and of whom at
2 least a majority of Youth Services Agencies are members, pursuant to
3 the provisions of Section 2-7-306 of Title 10A of the Oklahoma
4 Statutes and contracts entered into by the Department of Human
5 Services pursuant to Section 1-9-110 of Title 10A of the Oklahoma
6 Statutes with designated Youth Services Agencies;

7 32. Contracts for annuities for structured settlements provided
8 for in Section 158 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

9 33. Subject to subsection E of this section, purchases made
10 from funds received by local offices administered by the Department
11 of Human Services or administered by the Office of Juvenile Affairs
12 for fund-raising activities and donations for the benefit of clients
13 and potential clients at the local offices where such purchases may
14 not otherwise be paid for from appropriated funds;

15 34. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Historical Society for
16 restoration of historical sites and museums although the agency may
17 elect to utilize the Purchasing Division for an acquisition with
18 supplier and bid selection being the prerogative of the agency,
19 based on the supplier's documented qualifications and experience;
20 and

21 35. Acquisitions of clothing and food for patients in the care
22 of the J.D. McCarty Center for Children with Developmental
23 Disabilities; and

1 36. Purchases of goods and services by the Oklahoma Department
2 of Veterans Affairs when such purchases are made exclusively for the
3 operation, maintenance, or improvement of State Veterans Homes.

4 C. Pursuant to the terms of a contract the State Purchasing
5 Director enters into or awards, a state agency, common school,
6 municipality, rural fire protection district, county officer or any
7 program contract, purchase, acquisition or expenditure that is not
8 subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act,
9 may, unless acting pursuant to a contract with the state that
10 specifies otherwise, make use of statewide contracts and the
11 services of the Purchasing Division and the State Purchasing
12 Director. Any political subdivision or rural fire protection
13 district may designate the State Purchasing Director as its agent
14 for any acquisition from a statewide contract or otherwise available
15 to the state.

16 D. The State Purchasing Director shall review and audit all the
17 purchasing procedures of acquisitions listed in subsection B of this
18 section to ensure that the procedures are being followed. Nothing
19 in this section shall be construed to authorize bid splitting as
20 prohibited by the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

21 E. With respect to the Department of Human Services or the
22 Office of Juvenile Affairs, as applicable, monies received by
23 fundraising activities or donations from the local office, vending
24 operations administered by employees of the agency and all other

1 nonrestricted cash and cash-equivalent items received by employees
2 of the agency shall be deposited in the agency special account
3 established for this purpose. The deposits shall be made at local
4 banking institutions approved by the State Treasurer.

5 F. With respect to the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation
6 Department, no exemption provided in this section shall be construed
7 for the use of leasing or contracting for state-owned restaurants in
8 Oklahoma state parks. The Department shall not be required to
9 purchase furniture, fixtures, equipment, and soft goods associated
10 with decor of the state parks, lodges, golf courses, and tourism
11 information centers from Oklahoma prisons or reformatories.

12 Additionally, the Department shall not be required to make
13 purchases pursuant to a statewide contract for materials, supplies,
14 and services necessary for the efficient and economical operation of
15 revenue-generating, Department-operated facilities, including those
16 made to maintain or improve guest perception of quality and service;
17 provided, that the State Purchasing Director shall review and audit
18 all uses of the exemptions provided in this subsection biannually.

19 SECTION 8. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.
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