BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB2918
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Research Analysis

HB 2918, as introduced, creates the "Expanding Access to Local Foods Act of 2025," which creates a program to be administered by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry (ODAFF) to purchase locally grown fruits and vegetables from small and underserved producers in Oklahoma. ODAFF is authorized to use funds from the related revolving fund, also established in this measure, to accomplish the goals of the act. ODAFF must purchase locally grown fruits and vegetables from small and underserved producers at market value and then donate those fruits and vegetables to non-profits that distribute food in state free of charge. ODAFF will promulgate rules and procedures to effectuate the act's provisions.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2918 creates the Expanding Access to Local Foods Program at the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry (ODAFF). Currently, ODAFF does not believe this program would result in any additional administrative costs for the agency. This measure also creates a revolving fund for the program but does not appropriate any money to the fund; therefore, this measure has no direct fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

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