

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2791

By: Caldwell (Trey) and Kane of
the House

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4 Hall and Haste of the
5 Senate

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7 An Act relating to the Department of Human Services;
8 making appropriations; identifying source;
9 establishing amounts; providing purposes; requiring
10 and limiting the utilization of funds; creating
11 certain special accounts; limiting duration of
12 accounts; requiring certain determination; providing
13 and limiting the nature of the accounts and the funds
14 within the accounts; authorizing agency to submit
15 request for certain deposits or transfers; requiring
16 certain compliance and verifications; authorizing
17 certain memorandums of understanding; limiting scope;
18 prohibiting certain memoranda terms; authorizing and
19 limiting the promulgation of rules and utilization of
20 procedures; authorizing and limiting the retention of
21 monies for administration costs; requiring certain
22 reports and submissions to certain entities;
23 requiring appearance before certain joint committee;
24 limiting duration of certain requirements; and
providing for noncodification.

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:

There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Human Services
from the Statewide Recovery Fund created in Section 255 of Title 62
of the Oklahoma Statutes, the sum of One Hundred Ninety-five

1 Thousand Dollars (\$195,000.00) or so much thereof as may be
2 necessary due to increased costs of the project funded in Section 4
3 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2884 of the 1st Regular Session of the
4 59th Oklahoma Legislature. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner
5 consistent with recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on
6 Pandemic Relief Funding on May 12, 2025.

7 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
8 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

9 There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Human Services
10 from the Statewide Recovery Fund created in Section 255 of Title 62
11 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-eight
12 Thousand Dollars (\$328,000.00) or so much thereof as may be
13 necessary due to increased costs of the project funded in Section 7
14 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2884 of the 1st Regular Session of the
15 59th Oklahoma Legislature. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner
16 consistent with recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on
17 Pandemic Relief Funding on May 12, 2025.

18 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
19 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

20 There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Human Services
21 from the Statewide Recovery Fund created in Section 255 of Title 62
22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the sum of Five Million Dollars
23 (\$5,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary due to
24 increased costs of the project funded in Section 1 of Enrolled House

1 Bill No. 2884 of the 1st Regular Session of the 59th Oklahoma
2 Legislature. Such funds shall be utilized in a manner consistent
3 with recommendations adopted by the Joint Committee on Pandemic
4 Relief Funding on May 12, 2025.

5 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
6 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

7 A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a Statewide
8 Recovery Special Account for the Department of Human Services for
9 each appropriation section of this act. The duration of such
10 accounts shall continue for the period of time that monies related
11 to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 are being budgeted,
12 expended, or managed in the state. The ending of such period shall
13 be determined by the State Treasurer, and shall result in the
14 closing of such accounts as a matter of law. Such accounts shall be
15 continuing accounts as otherwise provided in this section, not
16 subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall exclusively consist of
17 monies related to the relevant appropriations made in this act and
18 as otherwise directed by law. All monies deposited to the credit of
19 such accounts are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and
20 expended by the Department of Human Services in accordance with the
21 provisions of this act. Expenditures from such accounts shall be
22 made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims
23 filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of
24 Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

1 B. The Department of Human Services is authorized to request in
2 writing that the monies appropriated by the provisions of this act
3 be deposited or transferred to the accounts created pursuant to
4 subsection A of this section. No later than seven (7) calendar days
5 from the date of such request, the Director of the Office of
6 Management and Enterprise Services shall comply with such request
7 and verify to the requesting agency that such deposit or transfer
8 has been completed.

9 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
10 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

11 The Department of Human Services may enter into memorandums of
12 understanding with other agencies of the State of Oklahoma for the
13 auditing, documentation, evaluation, implementation, oversight,
14 reporting, and management of funds and associated efforts related to
15 the appropriations made in this act; provided, no such memorandum of
16 understanding shall require or include, as an option or condition,
17 the direct or practical transfer or relinquishment of control by the
18 agency appropriated such funds to budget, expend, allocate, and
19 request the distribution of the funds appropriated by this act.

20 SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
21 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

22 The Department of Human Services may promulgate rules, utilize
23 existing rules, establish procedures, and utilize existing
24 procedures to implement the provisions of this act, provided such

1 rules and procedures do not conflict with or impede the provisions
2 of this act.

3 SECTION 7. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
4 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

5 The Department of Human Services shall retain no more than two
6 percent (2%) of the funds appropriated by this act to reimburse:

- 7 1. Costs incurred by the Department of Human Services; or
 - 8 2. Costs incurred on the agency's behalf,
- 9 associated with the administration of the appropriated funds and
10 programming required by the Department of Human Services under the
11 provisions of this act; provided, no funds shall be retained that
12 would be disallowable under the provisions of the American Rescue
13 Plan Act of 2021.

14 SECTION 8. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
15 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

- 16 A. The Department of Human Services shall:
- 17 1. Submit to the chairs of the Joint Committee on Pandemic
18 Relief Funding, or any successor Oklahoma House of Representatives
19 or Oklahoma State Senate legislative committee or joint committee,
20 as designated by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
21 Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State
22 Senate:

1 a. a written or electronic quarterly report detailing the
2 budgeting, expenditure, and management of all monies
3 appropriated in this act, and

4 b. a copy of all memorandums of understanding and
5 contracts with third parties entered into by the
6 Department of Human Services to facilitate, assist, or
7 administer powers and duties provided to the
8 Department under the provisions of this act; and

9 2. At the Joint Committee on Pandemic Relief Funding's request,
10 appear before the Joint Committee no later than six (6) months after
11 the effective date of this act, and as otherwise requested by the
12 Joint Committee, to provide a status update regarding the
13 implementation of the provisions of this act.

14 B. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall remain
15 applicable for the period of time that monies appropriated under
16 this act are being budgeted, expended, or managed in the state. The
17 ending of such period shall be determined by the State Treasurer,
18 and shall be reported to the Governor, the Speaker of the Oklahoma
19 House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the
20 Oklahoma State Senate.

1 Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of May, 2025.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2025.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate