

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

SENATE BILL 1377

By: Hall

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to foster care; requiring and authorizing the Department of Human Services to provide certain items to specified foster children; authorizing promulgation of rules; providing certain appropriation to the Department; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-9-126 of Title 10A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Department of Human Services, either directly or through a child-placing agency, shall provide a duffel bag to children in foster care who lack a suitcase or other adequate bag in which to pack personal belongings. As funds allow, the Department may include personal hygiene items or other personal supplies in the duffel bags described in this subsection.

B. The Director of Human Services may promulgate rules as necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

1 SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of
2 Human Services from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the
3 General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year
4 ending June 30, 2027, the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars
5 (\$250,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to perform the
6 duties imposed upon the Department by Section 1 of this act.

7 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2026.

8 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
9 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
10 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
11 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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