

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1379

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Attorney General; defining terms; establishing certain pilot program under the Office of the Attorney General; providing purpose; listing qualifying expenses; stating eligibility requirements; requiring certain application process and review criteria; requiring certain reports and compliance; authorizing the Office of the Attorney General to take certain actions; requiring electronic submission of certain report; authorizing promulgation of rules; amending Section 1, Chapter 376, O.S.L. 2023 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 748.3), which relates to the Victims of Human Trafficking and Prevention Revolving Fund; expanding scope of allowable expenditures; making an appropriation; 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 18r-1 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. For the purposes of this act:

1. "Labor trafficking" means human trafficking for labor as defined in Section 748 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

1 2. "Private organization" means a nonprofit corporation
2 certified by the Office of the Attorney General that provides
3 support services to adult victims of human trafficking;

4 3. "Sexual trafficking" means human trafficking for commercial
5 sex as defined in Section 748 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
6 and

7 4. "Victim" means a person against whom an act of labor
8 trafficking or sexual trafficking has been committed.

9 B. 1. The Office of the Attorney General shall establish a
10 two-year pilot program to support victims of sexual and labor
11 trafficking. The Office of the Attorney General shall make grants
12 available from funds in the Victims of Human Trafficking and
13 Prevention Revolving Fund pursuant to Section 748.3 of Title 21 of
14 the Oklahoma Statutes for the purposes of this act. The grants
15 shall be made directly to no more than ten private organizations in
16 this state.

17 2. The purpose of such grants shall be to reimburse private
18 organizations for the qualifying expenses of programs providing
19 services to victims of sexual and labor trafficking. Qualifying
20 expenses include, but are not limited to:

- 21 a. emergency shelter and transitional housing services,
- 22 b. mental health counseling and trauma-informed therapy,
- 23 c. medical and dental care services,
- 24 d. substance abuse treatment and recovery support,

- e. legal assistance and advocacy services,
- f. job training and employment assistance,
- g. educational services and General Educational Development (GED) completion assistance,
- h. case management and coordination of services,
- i. transportation assistance,
- j. basic needs assistance including food, clothing, and personal care items,
- k. life skills training and financial literacy education,
- l. child care services for victims with minor children, and
- m. other services deemed necessary by the Office of the Attorney General for the recovery and restoration of victims.

3. In order for a private organization to be considered eligible to receive grants pursuant to the provisions of this subsection, a private organization shall:

- a. be in good standing and compliant with nonprofit requirements of this state and federal law,
- b. have demonstrated experience providing services to victims of sexual or labor trafficking,
- c. agree to provide services without regard to the immigration status of the victim,

- d. maintain confidentiality of victim information in accordance with applicable state and federal law, and
- e. maintain adequate liability insurance coverage as determined by the Office of the Attorney General.

4. The Office of the Attorney General shall establish an application process and review criteria for private organizations seeking grants pursuant to the provisions of this subsection. The Office of the Attorney General shall prioritize organizations that:

- a. demonstrate a track record of successful service delivery to victims,
- b. employ trauma-informed care practices,
- c. provide culturally competent services,
- d. collaborate with law enforcement and other service providers, and
- e. serve geographic areas or populations with demonstrated need.

5. Grants provided to private organizations pursuant to this act shall be used solely for the provision of direct services to victims and shall not be used for administrative overhead that exceeds fifteen percent (15%) of the total grant amount.

C. Any private organization that receives a grant pursuant to the provisions of this act shall submit quarterly reports to the Office of the Attorney General that include the following information:

1. Number of victims served;
2. Types of services provided to victims;
3. Expenditure of grant funds; and
4. Outcomes achieved to the extent measurable.

D. The Office of the Attorney General shall monitor compliance of private organizations that receive grants pursuant to this act.

The Office of the Attorney General may:

1. Require periodic reports on services provided and outcomes achieved;
2. Conduct site visits and review of grant recipients;
3. Review financial records and documentation of expenditures;
4. Require corrective action plans for organizations that do not meet grant eligibility requirements; and
5. Suspend or terminate grants to private organizations that fail to comply with the terms and conditions of the grant or the requirements established pursuant to this act.

E. The Office of the Attorney General shall compile an annual report regarding the implementation of the pilot program established in this act. The report shall be submitted electronically to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 1 of each year. The report shall include:

1. The number of organizations that receive grants;
2. The total amount of grant funds distributed;

1 3. An aggregate summary of services provided and victims
2 served;

3 4. An evaluation of the effectiveness of the pilot program; and

4 5. Recommendations for improvement of the pilot program.

5 F. The Office of the Attorney General shall promulgate rules to
6 effectuate the provisions of this act.

7 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 376, O.S.L.
8 2023 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 748.3), is amended to read as
9 follows:

10 Section 748.3. A. There is hereby created in the State
11 Treasury a revolving fund for the Office of the Attorney General to
12 be designated the "Victims of Human Trafficking and Prevention
13 Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject
14 to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received
15 from penalties imposed by the courts on convictions of human
16 trafficking violations and funds received from any other source,
17 including legislative appropriations. All monies accruing to the
18 credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and
19 expended by the Office of the Attorney General for the purposes
20 provided in subsection B of this section. Expenditures from the
21 fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer
22 against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the
23 Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
24 payment.

1 B. The purposes of the fund include, but are not limited to:

2 1. Educating the public about the recruitment, trafficking, and
3 exploitation of persons through human trafficking;

4 2. Assisting in the prevention of recruitment in schools of
5 minors for exploitation;

6 3. Establishing a survivors' resource center to make
7 information available to survivors of human trafficking about
8 services and resources, including legal services, social services,
9 safe harbors, safe houses, and language services;

10 4. Assisting in the coordination between law enforcement
11 agencies and service providers; ~~and~~

12 5. Providing information concerning a petition for expungement
13 of a criminal history record resulting from the arrest or filing of
14 charges for an offense committed or reported to have been committed
15 while the person was a victim of human trafficking; and

16 6. Providing grants to nonprofit organizations pursuant to
17 Section 1 of this act.

18 SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated to the Victims of Human
19 Trafficking and Prevention Revolving Fund from any monies not
20 otherwise appropriated from the General Revenue Fund of the State
21 Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the sum of Ten
22 Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be
23 necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Office of the
24 Attorney General by law.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2026.

2 SECTION 5. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
3 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
4 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
5 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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