

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 1556

By: Moore of the House

and

Rader of the Senate

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6 An Act relating to higher education; creating the  
7 University Campus Security Revolving Fund; specifying  
8 source of fund; directing the Oklahoma State Regents  
9 for Higher Education to award grants; creating the  
10 University Campus Security Grant Program;  
11 establishing permitted use of grants; directing that  
12 grant dollars shall supplement existing funds;  
13 directing Regents to determine criteria and process  
14 for application; directing that applications be  
15 considered on statewide basis; directing Regents to  
16 promulgate rules; providing for codification;  
17 providing an effective date; and declaring an  
18 emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3260 of Title 70, unless there  
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving  
24 fund for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to be  
designated the "University Campus Security Revolving Fund". The  
fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year  
limitations, and shall consist of monies appropriated by the  
Legislature for the purpose of supporting the University Campus

1 Security Grant Program created in subsection B of this section. All  
2 monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated  
3 and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma State Regents for  
4 Higher Education for the purpose of running the University Campus  
5 Security Grant Program described in subsections B through E of this  
6 section. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants  
7 issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed by the Oklahoma  
8 State Regents for Higher Education with the Director of the Office  
9 of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

10 B. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall  
11 develop and establish a University Campus Security Grant Program.  
12 The purpose of the program shall be to enhance campus security at  
13 Oklahoma institutions of higher education in order to promote a  
14 safer and more secure environment for students, faculty, and staff.

15 C. Contingent upon the amount of funds available in the  
16 University Campus Security Revolving Fund, the University Campus  
17 Security Grant Program shall provide financial assistance to  
18 eligible universities for the improvement of campus security. Grant  
19 funds may be expended by institutions of higher education for the  
20 purpose of providing physical security enhancements for campuses,  
21 including, but not limited to, cameras, gates, lighting, locks,  
22 doors, windows, security geofencing, and ballistic storm shelters.

23 D. Grant dollars shall supplement and not supplant existing  
24 campus security funding.

1 E. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall  
2 determine criteria and establish a process for the submission of  
3 grant applications. The applications shall be considered on a  
4 statewide competitive basis. The Regents shall promulgate rules for  
5 the implementation of the grants issued pursuant to this section.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

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

11 Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 2024.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
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16 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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