

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2897

By: Wallace and Hilbert of the
House

3 and

4 Thompson and Hall of the
5 Senate

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7 An Act relating to the Ethics Commission; amending 74
8 O.S. 2011, Section 4258, as last amended by Section
9 1, Chapter 440, O.S.L. 2019 (74 O.S. Supp. 2020,
10 Section 4258), which relates to the Ethics Commission
11 Fund; clarifying language; requiring collections in
12 excess of certain annual amount be deposited to
13 certain revolving fund; creating the Ethics
14 Commission Online Filing Revolving Fund; placing fund
15 with the Ethics Commission; establishing fund
16 characteristics; requiring collections in excess of
17 certain annual amount be deposited to certain fund;
18 authorizing the budgeting and expenditure of funds
19 for certain purposes; establishing expenditure
20 procedures; providing for codification; providing an
21 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

23 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 4258, as
24 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 440, O.S.L. 2019 (74 O.S. Supp.
2020, Section 4258), is amended to read as follows:

25 Section 4258. A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury
26 a revolving fund for the Ethics Commission to be designated the
27 "Ethics Commission Fund". The Ethics Commission Fund shall be a
28 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and

1 deposits to the fund shall consist of the first One Hundred Fifty
2 Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) of fees received by the Commission
3 each fiscal year. Fees collected each fiscal year in excess of One
4 Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) shall be placed to the
5 credit of the ~~General Revenue Fund~~ Ethics Commission Online Filing
6 Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 2 of this act.

7 B. All monies accruing to the credit of the Ethics Commission
8 Fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the
9 Commission for any expenses incurred in the implementation of its
10 duties as provided by law. Expenditures from the fund shall be made
11 upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as
12 prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and
13 Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

14 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4258.2 of Title 74, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving
18 fund for the Ethics Commission to be designated the "Ethics
19 Commission Online Filing Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a
20 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and
21 deposits to the fund shall consist of the first Two Hundred Thousand
22 Dollars (\$200,000.00) of monies designated for deposit to the fund
23 pursuant to the provisions of Section 4258 of Title 74 of the
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1 Oklahoma Statutes each fiscal year and all monies appropriated to
2 the fund pursuant to an act of the Legislature.

3 B. Monies designated for deposit to the fund in excess of Two
4 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) each fiscal year shall be
5 placed to the credit of the General Revenue Fund. All monies
6 accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may
7 be budgeted and expended by the Commission for the purpose of:

8 1. Developing, maintaining and administering the Commission's
9 online filing system; and

10 2. The payment of fees and charges to other state agencies for
11 information technology services.

12 Expenditures from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by
13 the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with
14 the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for
15 approval and payment.

16 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2021.

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

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 18th day of May, 2021.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2021.

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