

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2927

By: Wallace and Caldwell (Trey)
of the House

6 and

7 Hall and Rosino of the
8 Senate

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10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Department of
12 Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; requiring that
13 portions of funds be used for certain purposes;
14 providing budgeting and expenditure limitations and
15 procedures; providing for lapse of funds under
16 certain conditions; providing an effective date; and
17 declaring an emergency.

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

19 SECTION 1. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
20 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
21 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
22 the sum of Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000.00) shall, under the
23 direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be allocated to the
24 Oklahoma State University Robert M. Kerr Food and Agricultural
Products Center for various capital and equipment needs.

1 SECTION 2. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
2 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
3 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
4 the sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall, under the
5 direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be allocated to the
6 Oklahoma State University Robert M. Kerr Food and Agricultural
7 Products Center for operational expenses.

8 SECTION 3. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
9 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
10 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
11 the sum of Four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,200,000.00)
12 shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be
13 allocated to the extension offices that are affiliated with the
14 Oklahoma State University Agriculture Extension Service.

15 SECTION 4. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
16 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
17 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
18 the sum of One Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
19 (\$1,300,000.00) shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of
20 Agriculture, be allocated to the research centers that are
21 affiliated with Oklahoma State University Agriculture Experiment
22 Stations.

23 SECTION 5. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
24 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate

1 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
2 the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00)
3 shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be
4 allocated to cooperative extension and agriculture research programs
5 that are affiliated with Langston University.

6 SECTION 6. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
7 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
8 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
9 the sum of Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars
10 (\$9,500,000.00) shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of
11 Agriculture, be allocated in two tranches to renovate a youth camp
12 to be operated for the Oklahoma FFA Association. The first tranche
13 shall be for Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) and shall be used
14 for immediate renovations required to make the camp operational.
15 Upon completion of the aforementioned renovations, the camp operator
16 shall submit a report detailing the expenditures and progress of the
17 renovations to the Governor, Commissioner of Agriculture, the
18 Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the President Pro
19 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate, the Appropriations and Budget
20 Chair of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, and the
21 Appropriations Chair of the Oklahoma State Senate. Upon receipt of
22 the report, the Commissioner of Agriculture may release the
23 remaining Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars
24 (\$4,500,000.00). Upon completion of the expenditure of the

1 remaining funds, the camp operator shall submit an updated report
2 detailing the expense and progress of all funds to the same
3 aforementioned parties.

4 SECTION 7. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
5 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled House Bill
6 No. 1004 of the 1st Extraordinary Session of the 59th Oklahoma
7 Legislature, the sum of Six Million Eight Hundred Ninety-one
8 Thousand Seventy Dollars (\$6,891,070.00), or so much thereof as may
9 be necessary, shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of
10 Agriculture, be allocated to rural fire departments for replacement
11 of equipment and gear, including truck chassis. The Oklahoma
12 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry may promulgate rules
13 for the distribution and allocation of the funds to rural fire
14 departments.

15 SECTION 8. Appropriations made by this act, not including
16 appropriations made for capital outlay purposes, may be budgeted for
17 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 (hereafter FY-25) or may be
18 budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 (hereafter FY-26).
19 Funds budgeted for FY-25 may be encumbered only through June 30,
20 2025, and must be expended by November 15, 2025. Any funds
21 remaining after November 15, 2025, and not budgeted for FY-26, shall
22 lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal
23 year. Funds budgeted for FY-26 may be encumbered only through June
24 30, 2026. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2026, shall lapse

1 to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year.
2 These appropriations may not be budgeted in both fiscal years
3 simultaneously. Funds budgeted in FY-25, and not required to pay
4 obligations for that fiscal year, may be budgeted for FY-26, after
5 the agency to which the funds have been appropriated has prepared
6 and submitted a budget work program revision removing these funds
7 from the FY-25 budget work program and after such revision has been
8 approved by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

9 SECTION 9. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

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

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