

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

4 HOUSE BILL 3235

                                  By: Lawson

7                                   AS INTRODUCED

8                   An Act relating to poor persons; directing the  
9                   Department of Human Services to develop and implement  
10                  application for certain programs; providing  
11                  application requirements; directing agencies to  
12                  establish certain protocols and systems; providing  
13                  for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

15                  SECTION 1.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
16                  in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 261 of Title 56, unless there is  
17                  created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18                  A.   The Department of Human Services shall develop and implement  
19                  a universal electronic eligibility and enrollment application for  
20                  the following family support programs:

- 21                  1.   Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF);  
22                  2.   Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP);  
23                  3.   Medicaid; and

1 4. Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants,  
2 and Children (WIC).

3 B. At a minimum, the application shall:

4 1. Be user-friendly and available in multiple languages;

5 2. Enable applicants to complete and electronically submit  
6 applications; and

7 3. Allow for the secure transmission of data among relevant  
8 agencies for eligibility and enrollment in the programs provided for  
9 in subsection A of this section.

10 C. The agencies responsible for administering the programs  
11 provided for in subsection A of this section shall collaborate to  
12 establish protocols and systems for sharing information securely and  
13 efficiently between agencies while maintaining privacy and  
14 confidentiality.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY  
18 SERVICES, dated 02/14/2024 - DO PASS.

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