

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 3940

By: Provenzano and Deck of the
House

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4 Rader of the Senate
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8 An Act relating to higher education; creating the
9 DIPG Grant Program Revolving Fund; specifying source
10 of fund; providing for expenditures; providing
11 purpose of fund; directing the Oklahoma State Regents
12 for Higher Education to award grants; establishing
13 permitted use of grants; directing Regents to
14 establish criteria and process for application;
15 directing that grants be considered on statewide
16 basis; directing Regents to promulgate rules;
17 providing for codification; and providing an
18 effective date.

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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 3235 of Title 70, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving
fund for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to be
designated the "Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) Grant
Program Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not
subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of monies

1 appropriated by the Legislature and private dollars given to the
2 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the purpose of
3 supporting the DIPG grant program. All monies accruing to the
4 credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and
5 expended by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the
6 purpose of running and distributing the DIPG grant program described
7 in subsection B of this section. Expenditures from the fund shall
8 be made on warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims
9 filed by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education with the
10 Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for
11 approval and payment.

12 B. Contingent upon the amount of funds available in the DIPG
13 Grant Program Revolving Fund, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
14 Education shall award one or more grants annually to private and
15 public universities in Oklahoma. The grants shall be used to
16 research and find a cure for DIPG. The Oklahoma State Regents for
17 Higher Education shall determine the criteria for and establish a
18 process for the submission of grant applications. The applications
19 shall be considered on a statewide competitive basis. The Oklahoma
20 State Regents for Higher Education shall promulgate rules for the
21 implementation of the grants issued pursuant to this section.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.
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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 2024.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
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5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2024.

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