



1 organizations in ~~Oklahoma~~ this state for the reasonable expenses of  
2 programs providing the ~~following~~ services: listed in subsection B of  
3 this section; or

4 2. With funds appropriated by the Legislature for the Choosing  
5 Childbirth Act, enter into contracts directly with private  
6 organizations in this state for the purpose of providing the  
7 services listed in subsection B of this section.

8 B. Services provided pursuant to the Choosing Childbirth Act  
9 shall include:

10 1. Providing information on, referral to and assistance in  
11 securing the services of relevant existing programs or agencies that  
12 assist women in ~~Oklahoma~~ this state to carry their children to term,  
13 and/or providing services that assist women to carry their children  
14 to term including, but not limited to, agencies and programs that  
15 will provide medical attention for the pregnant woman for the  
16 duration of her pregnancy, nutritional support services, housing  
17 assistance, adoption services, education and employment assistance  
18 and parenting education and support services;

19 2. Providing women in ~~Oklahoma~~ this state, in person and  
20 through community outreach, information and/or services that  
21 encourage and assist them to carry their children to term; and

22 3. Providing services including, but not limited to, healthcare  
23 services to mothers and infants for the purpose of reducing the  
24 rates of maternal mortality and infant mortality in this state by

1 three percent (3%) ~~within five (5) years of the effective date of~~  
2 ~~this act~~ not later than July 1, 2026; provided, however, no funds  
3 shall be provided to an organization that provides, or whose  
4 affiliates provide, abortion services.

5 ~~B.~~ C. To be eligible for a service grant or a contract, an  
6 organization shall:

7 1. Be registered with the ~~Oklahoma~~ Secretary of State as a not-  
8 for-profit corporation located in Oklahoma;

9 2. ~~Have~~ If the Department utilizes a grant-supervising entity,  
10 have the grant amount approved by a grant-supervising entity~~+~~.

11 ~~3.~~ For services described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection A  
12 B of this section, provide each pregnant woman counseled with  
13 accurate information on the developmental characteristics of unborn  
14 children including offering the printed information described in  
15 Section 1-738.3 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

16 4. 3. Assure that ~~the grant's sole purposes are~~ any funds  
17 provided pursuant to the Choosing Childbirth Act are used only to  
18 assist and encourage women to carry their children to term and to  
19 maximize their potentials thereafter as provided in paragraphs 1 and  
20 2 of subsection B of this section or to reduce the rates of maternal  
21 mortality and infant mortality in this state as provided in  
22 paragraph 3 of subsection ~~A~~ B of this section; and

23 ~~5.~~ 4. Assure that none of the funds provided pursuant to the  
24 Choosing Childbirth Act, nor any other funds or services provided by

1 the organization, are used to encourage or counsel a woman to have  
2 an abortion not necessary to prevent her death, to provide her such  
3 an abortion or to refer her for such an abortion.

4 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-740.18, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Section 1-740.18. ~~The State Department of Health shall make~~  
7 ~~grants to a grant-supervising entity under the Choosing Childbirth~~  
8 ~~Act from funds appropriated by the Legislature specifically for this~~  
9 ~~purpose. The State Department of Health~~

10 A. If the State Department of Health utilizes a grant-  
11 supervising entity to implement the Choosing Childbirth Act, the  
12 Department shall annually monitor and review the grant-supervising  
13 entity to assure that the grant-supervising entity carefully adheres  
14 to the purposes and requirements of the Choosing Childbirth Act, and  
15 it shall cease funding a grant-supervising entity that fails to do  
16 so if the Department proves specific findings of noncompliance,  
17 subject to judicial review.

18 B. If the Department contracts directly with private  
19 organizations in this state to implement the Choosing Childbirth  
20 Act, the Department shall annually monitor and review the  
21 organizations to assure that the organizations carefully adhere to  
22 the purposes and requirements of the Choosing Childbirth Act, and it  
23 shall cease funding an organization that fails to do so if the

1 Department proves specific findings of noncompliance, subject to  
2 judicial review.

3 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2022.

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

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9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 04/12/2022 - DO PASS.

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