

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Extraordinary Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 HOUSE
4 RESOLUTION 1001

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution relating to expenditure of federal
8 funds; making findings; and expressing legislative
9 intent.

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11 WHEREAS, Congress passed three tranches of Elementary and
12 Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funds for schools in the
13 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) as well
14 as the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) totaling Two Billion Three
15 Hundred Nineteen Million Five Hundred Seventy One Thousand Seven
16 Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$2,319,571,799.00); and

17 WHEREAS, Oklahoma passed and signed into law Enrolled House Bill
18 No. 2932 stating unless expressly authorized by the Legislature, no
19 agency, board, commission, department, council, instrumentality, or
20 other entity organized within the executive branch of state
21 government shall utilize the federal funds from the Coronavirus Aid,
22 Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) in a manner that will or
23 likely will lead to increased demand for state-appropriated funds or
24 any other state funds; and

1 WHEREAS, Oklahoma schools received each of their ESSER
2 allocations outside of the recurring state and federal
3 appropriations process.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
5 OF THE 2ND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

6 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives strongly encourages
7 local school districts to exercise extreme caution before expending
8 one-time ESSER funds on any recurring expense.

9 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives affirms its
10 commitment to HB 2932 in not approving projects that will incur
11 recurring expenses on future legislatures with funding received from
12 the ARPA as well as the CARES Act.

13 THAT school districts, agency, boards, commissions, departments,
14 councils, instrumentalities, or other entities organized within the
15 executive branch of state government should look to Enrolled House
16 Bill No. 2932 as a guiding principle for one-time funds received
17 from ARPA as well as the CARES Act.

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