

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2927

By: Wallace, Caldwell (Trey),
Hilbert, and Deck of the
House

and

Hall, Rosino, and Stephens
of the Senate

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

SUBJECT: Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry

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

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

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

SECTION 3. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate

Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature, the sum of Four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,200,000.00) shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be allocated to the extension offices that are affiliated with the Oklahoma State University Agriculture Extension Service.

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

SECTION 5. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature, the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be allocated to cooperative extension and agriculture research programs that are affiliated with Langston University.

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

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

SECTION 8. Appropriations made by this act, not including appropriations made for capital outlay purposes, may be budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 (hereafter FY-25) or may be budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 (hereafter FY-26). Funds budgeted for FY-25 may be encumbered only through June 30, 2025, and must be expended by November 15, 2025. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2025, and not budgeted for FY-26, shall lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year. Funds budgeted for FY-26 may be encumbered only through June 30, 2026. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2026, shall lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year. These appropriations may not be budgeted in both fiscal years simultaneously. Funds budgeted in FY-25, and not required to pay obligations for that fiscal year, may be budgeted for FY-26, after the agency to which the funds have been appropriated has prepared and submitted a budget work program revision removing these funds from the FY-25 budget work program and after such revision has been approved by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

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

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

Passed the House of Representatives the 28th day of May, 2024.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 30th day of May, 2024.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this _____

day of _____, 20_____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.

By: _____

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this _____

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

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