

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2927

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

and

Hall and Rosino of the
Senate

11 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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

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

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

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

10 SECTION 3. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
11 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
12 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
13 the sum of Four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,200,000.00)
14 shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be
15 allocated to the extension offices that are affiliated with the
16 Oklahoma State University Agriculture Extension Service.

17 SECTION 4. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
18 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
19 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
20 the sum of One Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
21 (\$1,300,000.00) shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of
22 Agriculture, be allocated to the research centers that are
23 affiliated with Oklahoma State University Agriculture Experiment
24 Stations.

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

8 SECTION 6. From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma
9 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in Enrolled Senate
10 Bill No. 1125 of the 2nd Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature,
11 the sum of Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars
12 (\$9,500,000.00) shall, under the direction of the Commissioner of
13 Agriculture, be allocated in two tranches to renovate a youth camp
14 to be operated for the Oklahoma FFA Association. The first tranche
15 shall be for Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) and shall be used
16 for immediate renovations required to make the camp operational.
17 Upon completion of the aforementioned renovations, the camp operator
18 shall submit a report detailing the expenditures and progress of the
19 renovations to the Governor, Commissioner of Agriculture, the
20 Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the President Pro
21 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate, the Appropriations and Budget
22 Chair of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, and the
23 Appropriations Chair of the Oklahoma State Senate. Upon receipt of
24 the report, the Commissioner of Agriculture may release the

1 remaining Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars
2 (\$4,500,000.00). Upon completion of the expenditure of the
3 remaining funds, the camp operator shall submit an updated report
4 detailing the expense and progress of all funds to the same
5 aforementioned parties.

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

17 SECTION 8. Appropriations made by this act, not including
18 appropriations made for capital outlay purposes, may be budgeted for
19 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 (hereafter FY-25) or may be
20 budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 (hereafter FY-26).
21 Funds budgeted for FY-25 may be encumbered only through June 30,
22 2025, and must be expended by November 15, 2025. Any funds
23 remaining after November 15, 2025, and not budgeted for FY-26, shall
24 lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal

1 year. Funds budgeted for FY-26 may be encumbered only through June
2 30, 2026. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2026, shall lapse
3 to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year.
4 These appropriations may not be budgeted in both fiscal years
5 simultaneously. Funds budgeted in FY-25, and not required to pay
6 obligations for that fiscal year, may be budgeted for FY-26, after
7 the agency to which the funds have been appropriated has prepared
8 and submitted a budget work program revision removing these funds
9 from the FY-25 budget work program and after such revision has been
10 approved by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

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

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

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17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JOINT COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
18 AND BUDGET, dated 05/27/2024 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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