

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2042

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to workforce development; enacting
8 the Oklahoma Solutions Policy Act of 2023; creating
9 the Oklahoma Solutions Revolving Fund; providing for
10 sources of income to fund; stating purpose of fund;
11 prescribing procedures for expenditures; making
12 appropriation to the Oklahoma Department of Commerce
13 from the Statewide Recovery Fund; stating amount and
14 purpose; providing for use of funds by Oklahoma
15 Department of Commerce; providing for
16 noncodification; providing for codification;
17 providing an effective date; and declaring an
18 emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
21 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

22 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma
23 Solutions Policy Act of 2023".

24 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11001 of Title 62, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
2 for the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to be designated the
3 "Oklahoma Solutions Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing
4 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
5 all monies received by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce from
6 appropriations or other sources as provided by law. All monies
7 accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may
8 be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce for
9 the purpose of implementing a workforce development program with
10 elements including but not limited to assisting persons in obtaining
11 an industry-recognized credential, job placement, job retention,
12 increase in personal income, Pay for Success programs that align
13 public spending with tangible gains in the lives of income earners,
14 and use of funds in connection with investor programs. Expenditures
15 from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State
16 Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the
17 Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for
18 approval and payment.

19 SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated to the Oklahoma
20 Department of Commerce from any monies not otherwise appropriated
21 from the Statewide Recovery Fund of the State Treasury for the
22 fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the sum of Thirty Million Dollars
23 (\$30,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to develop
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1 and implement a workforce solutions program as described in Section
2 2 of this act.

3 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

4 SECTION 5. 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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