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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state government; creating the
8 Oklahoma 10-8 Fund; establishing the Oklahoma 10-8
9 Fund Grant Program; providing definitions; directing
10 the Office of the Attorney General to establish and
11 administer fund; providing date by which applications
12 shall be submitted; providing criteria to qualify for
13 grant; directing the amounts to be awarded;
14 permitting application be completed by employee of
15 law enforcement agency; prohibiting law enforcement
16 agencies from modifying salaries based on award of
17 grant; authorizing the Office of the Attorney General
18 to adopt rules; creating the Oklahoma 10-8 Revolving
19 Fund; making an appropriation; providing for
20 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 20m-1 of Title 74, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma
10-8 Fund".

B. There is hereby established the "Oklahoma 10-8 Fund Grant
Program".

C. As used in this act:

1 1. "In-service" means completion of Council on Law Enforcement
2 Educational Training (CLEET) certification, completed all training
3 expected of a newly hired peace officer of their agency, including
4 field training, and being assigned a workload commensurate with
5 fulfilling the duties of a fully trained peace officer; and

6 2. "Peace officer" means a sworn police officer, sheriff's
7 deputy, or highway patrol trooper.

8 D. The Office of the Attorney General shall establish and
9 administer the Oklahoma 10-8 Fund Grant Program to support the
10 state's purpose of ensuring professional law enforcement throughout
11 the state by providing financial assistance to peace officers. Such
12 program shall embody the following procedures and criteria:

13 1. Not later than the thirtieth day after the first day of each
14 year, the peace officer may submit an application for a grant to the
15 Office of the Attorney General. A peace officer may submit only one
16 application each year;

17 2. New peace officers may apply for funds when the following
18 criteria has been met:

19 a. the peace officer was hired after the effective date
20 of this act,

21 b. the peace officer is CLEET-certified,

22 c. the peace officer has been in-service within their
23 current jurisdiction for at least six (6) months, and
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1 d. the peace officer is either serving as a peace officer
2 in the State of Oklahoma for the first time or is
3 serving as a peace officer in the State of Oklahoma
4 for the first time since January 1, 2020; and

5 3. Grants awarded under the provisions of this section shall be
6 given to peace officers that meet the criteria in paragraph 2 of
7 this subsection in the following amounts, or in proportionally
8 equivalent reduced amounts if available funding for the program is
9 limited.

10 Upon verification by CLEET that the peace officer meets the
11 stipulations of the program, the peace officer is entitled to a one-
12 time bonus of either:

13 a. Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) if at the time of
14 hiring the officer, the agency by which they are
15 employed had fifty or more budgeted vacancies of sworn
16 peace officer positions, or

17 b. Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) if at the time of
18 hiring the officer, the agency by which they are
19 employed had more than fourteen but fewer than fifty
20 budgeted vacancies of sworn peace officers.

21 E. A peace officer may have their bonus application completed
22 by an employee of the law enforcement agency by which they are
23 employed. The employing law enforcement agency of the peace officer
24 shall sponsor the application of qualified officers within their

1 agency and verify the completion of the prerequisites within the
2 application.

3 F. No law enforcement agency shall reduce or supplant existing
4 salaries due to the award of grant funding as provided under the
5 provisions of this section.

6 G. The Office of the Attorney General is hereby authorized to
7 adopt rules and procedures as necessary to carry out the provisions
8 of this section.

9 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 20m-2 of Title 74, unless there
11 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
13 for the Office of the Attorney General to be designated the
14 "Oklahoma 10-8 Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing
15 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
16 all monies directed to the fund and eligible for deposit by law and
17 a one-time appropriation of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00)
18 from the State General Revenue Fund. All monies accruing to the
19 credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and
20 expended by the Office of the Attorney General exclusively for the
21 purposes and in compliance with the Oklahoma 10-8 Fund Grant
22 Program, created in Section 1 of this act. Expenditures from said
23 fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer
24 against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the

1 Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
2 payment.

3 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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