

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1430

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to higher education; creating the
8 Tinnitus Research Grant Program Revolving Fund;
9 specifying source of fund; providing for
10 expenditures; providing purpose of fund; directing
11 the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to
12 award grants; establishing permitted use of grants;
13 directing Regents to establish criteria and process
14 for application; directing that grants be considered
15 on statewide basis; directing Regents to promulgate
16 rules; providing for codification; and providing an
17 effective date.

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24 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 3235 of Title 70, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving
fund for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to be
designated the "Tinnitus Research Grant Program Revolving Fund".
The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year
limitations, and shall consist of monies appropriated by the
Legislature and private dollars given to the Oklahoma State Regents

1 for Higher Education for the purpose of supporting the tinnitus
2 research grant program. All monies accruing to the credit of the
3 fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the
4 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the purpose of
5 running and distributing the tinnitus research grant program
6 described in subsection B of this section. Expenditures from the
7 fund shall be made on warrants issued by the State Treasurer against
8 claims filed by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education with
9 the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for
10 approval and payment.

11 B. Contingent upon the amount of funds available in the
12 Tinnitus Research Grant Program Revolving Fund, the Oklahoma State
13 Regents for Higher Education shall award one or more grants annually
14 to private and public universities in Oklahoma. The grants shall be
15 used to research and find a cure for tinnitus. The Oklahoma State
16 Regents for Higher Education shall determine the criteria for and
17 establish a process for the submission of grant applications. The
18 applications shall be considered on a statewide competitive basis.
19 The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall promulgate
20 rules for the implementation of the grants issued pursuant to this
21 section.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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