

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 1991

By: Caldwell (Trey) of the
House

3 and

4 Kidd and Montgomery of the
5 Senate

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7 [public health - Oklahoma Critical Access Revolving
8 Fund - State Department of Health - hospitals -
9 rules - effective date -
10 emergency]

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in
15 the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5061 of Title 63, unless there is
16 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
18 for the State Department of Health to be designated the "Oklahoma
19 Critical Access Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing
20 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
21 all monies designated for deposit to the fund by law. All monies
22 accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may
23 be budgeted and expended by the State Department of Health for the
24 purpose of improving rural access to health care as described in

1 Section 2 of this act. Expenditures from said fund shall be made
2 upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as
3 prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and
4 Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

5 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
6 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5062 of Title 63, unless there
7 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

8 A. Limited to the unencumbered balance of the Oklahoma Critical
9 Access Revolving Fund, any rural hospital that would qualify as a
10 Critical Access Hospital pursuant to Sections 485.601 through
11 485.647 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations but for its
12 proximity to an out-of-state facility, shall be eligible to receive
13 up to One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per fiscal year from the
14 Oklahoma Critical Access Revolving Fund.

15 B. The State Department of Health shall promulgate rules
16 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

17 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2021.

18 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
19 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
20 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
21 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 3rd day of March, 2021.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2021.

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