

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 HOUSE BILL 2455

By: Virgin

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety; creating  
8 the Hazard Pay for Front-Line Workers Act of 2021;  
9 recognizing certain people; directing certain  
10 stimulus monies be used to create a certain program;  
11 providing for payment amounts; providing for  
12 noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

16 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Hazard Pay for  
17 Front-Line Workers Act of 2021".

18 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
19 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

20 In recognition of the hardworking individuals who have continued  
21 to faithfully serve their fellow Oklahomans at great physical and  
22 mental cost to themselves and their families, the Legislature hereby  
23 directs that a portion of any COVID-19-related federal stimulus  
24 monies received upon or after the effective date of this act shall  
be used to create a hazard pay program for front-line workers.

1 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
2 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

3 Any hazard pay program created pursuant to this act shall  
4 provide hourly workers at essential business at least an additional  
5 Three Dollars (\$3.00) per hour and shall provide salaried workers at  
6 least an additional One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1200.00) per  
7 ten (10) weeks. Eligible workers shall be those who are part of the  
8 essential critical infrastructure workforce as determined by the  
9 United States Department of Homeland Security, and shall include,  
10 but not be limited to, health care providers, first responders, and  
11 workers at grocery stores or other places in the food service  
12 industry.

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

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