

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 SENATE BILL 264

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; requiring
8 Department of Veterans Affairs to establish certain
9 program; providing for issuance of certain debit
10 cards for certain purpose; allowing provision of
11 certain services at state veterans center or other
12 facility; providing procedures; providing for
13 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 229.1 of Title 72, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 The Department of Veterans Affairs shall establish a program
19 which will provide for all veterans who are eligible to receive
20 services at a state veterans center to receive a debit or electronic
21 benefits card which may be used for payment of such services. Each
22 year the Department shall provide funds and issue a debit card to
23 each such veteran in the amount which would be expended for such
24 services if provided at a state veterans center. The veteran may
choose to receive services at a state veterans center or at any

1 other facility that provides such services in this state. The
2 Department shall establish the program in a manner to maximize all
3 state and federal benefits to which the veteran is entitled. If the
4 veteran expends less than the amount he or she is entitled to during
5 the year, the remainder shall revert to the Department and shall be
6 deposited to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs Revolving
7 Fund.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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