

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION 3

By: Simpson

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution relating to the Oklahoma
8 Veterans Pilot Program; supporting the mission of the
9 Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program; requesting the
10 creation of a statewide public information program;
11 and directing distribution.

12 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program has developed a
13 health care access and service delivery system for Oklahoma
14 veterans; and

15 WHEREAS, the program is designed to ease conditions and allow
16 the VA Medical Centers and Clinics to function more efficiently by
17 reducing wait times, improving management of existing resources and
18 continuing efforts to prioritize internal clinical and support
19 services; and

20 WHEREAS, the program will provide health care navigation
21 services for high-risk veterans and third-party assistance through
22 proven and experienced private-sector partnerships; and

23 WHEREAS, the program has been designed to create greater
24 transparency and accountability, provide a more localized and
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1 veteran-friendly environment and improve cost-effectiveness and
2 service efficiency; and

3 WHEREAS, the program has received numerous letters of support
4 from Oklahoma health care, business and higher education
5 communities.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
7 OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
8 CONCURRING THEREIN:

9 THAT the Legislature supports the mission of the Oklahoma
10 Veterans Pilot Program.

11 THAT the Legislature requests the Cabinet Secretary of Veterans
12 Affairs and Military and the Chairman of the Oklahoma Veterans
13 Commission to collaborate with the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
14 Affairs to conduct a statewide public information program designed
15 to educate the public and elicit support for the Oklahoma Veterans
16 Pilot Program.

17 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Governor Kevin
18 Stitt; Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs Executive Director,
19 Joel Kintsel; Cabinet Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Military,
20 Ben Robinson, BG (Ret.); Chairman of the Oklahoma Veterans
21 Commission, Larry Van Schuyver; and Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program
22 Coordinator, Pete Reed.

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