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Bill Analysis

SB 191 places all federal grants relating to the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act under the Department of Labor beginning July 1, 2020. All programs related to the Act and Board will be placed under the Department of Labor excepting those related to the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission.

The measure creates a new office within the Department to manage to the grants. The Oklahoma Office of Workforce Development will not use any direct state appropriations and will utilize federal grants and gifts to administer associated programs. Any state monies used to match federal funding will require Legislative approval. The Division will be led by a Director appointed by the Commissioner of Labor. The Director will be responsible for consolidating federally funded programs.

Under this measure, the Department must seek interagency cooperation on workforce development initiatives as well as monitor compliance. The Director will be responsible for providing quarterly reports to the Legislature and Governor on issues related to expenditures related to workforce development and all official actions taken by the Division.

The measure identifies several areas of workforce development that will fall under the Department's and Division's jurisdictions. The measure also requires the Governor's Council for Workforce and Economic Development to coordinate its efforts with the Director and extends the sunset date for the Council to July 1, 2026.

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Fiscal Analysis

FY'20 Impact: Pending; anticipated costs

Full Year Impact: Pending; anticipated costs

SB191 creates a division within the Department of Labor called the Oklahoma Office of Workforce Development to administer federal funds from the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and other federal grants and sources of funding related to workforce development programs.