

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 18, 2021

3 **AS AMENDED**

4 SENATE BILL NO. 567

5 By: Newhouse and Jett of the
6 Senate

7 and

8 Davis of the House

9 **[state government - certain grant program - Oklahoma
10 Homeland Security Revolving Fund - additional use -
11 codification - effective date]**

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 51.4 of Title 74, unless there
15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 The State of Oklahoma shall establish a program to provide
17 assistance for the funeral expenses of all members of the National
18 Guard, police, state troopers, firefighters and first responders who
19 have died in the line of duty while in response to state orders.

20 For the purposes of this section, "while in response to state
21 orders" shall mean serving on a state-specific and state-managed
22 mission to respond to domestic emergencies including, but limited
23 to, natural disasters and civil disturbances. The program shall
24 provide a grant for funeral expenses for any person who qualifies as

1 determined by the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Emergency
2 Management. Maximum reimbursement shall not exceed Ten Thousand
3 Dollars (\$10,000.00).

4 The deceased must be a resident of this state. The Director or
5 his or her designee shall make final approval of all applications.
6 The approving authority shall determine whether the deceased meets
7 eligibility criteria and approve funds to defray funeral costs.
8 Reimbursement shall be paid from the Oklahoma Homeland Security
9 Revolving Fund. Rules and application processes for the
10 implementation of this program shall be promulgated by the Director.

11 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 51.2, as
12 amended by Section 701, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp.
13 2020, Section 51.2), is amended to read as follows:

14 Section 51.2. A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury
15 a revolving fund for the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security to be
16 designated the "Oklahoma Homeland Security Revolving Fund". The
17 Oklahoma Homeland Security Revolving Fund shall be a continuing
18 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations and shall consist of
19 monies received by the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security or the
20 Department of Public Safety from:

- 21 1. Reimbursements from responsible parties for reasonable
22 actions taken and costs incurred by a regional team in response to
23 an incident or event involving a dangerous substance;

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1 2. Reimbursements, grants, or other monies received from other
2 state agencies and entities of state government;

3 3. Reimbursements, grants, or other monies received by the
4 Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security or the Department of Public
5 Safety from the United States government or pursuant to proceedings
6 in district court to enforce claims initiated pursuant to the
7 Oklahoma Homeland Security Act or the Oklahoma Emergency Response
8 Act;

9 4. Gifts, donations, and bequests;

10 5. Monies appropriated or apportioned by the state; and

11 6. Receipts from other ancillary services related to incidents
12 or events related to dangerous substances, not otherwise provided by
13 law.

14 B. All monies accruing to the credit of the Oklahoma Homeland
15 Security Revolving Fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted
16 and expended by the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security for:

17 1. Operating expenses;

18 2. Administrative duties; ~~and~~

19 3. Education and reimbursement for expenses of regional teams,
20 including maintenance of equipment; and

21 4. Assistance in funeral expenses for those who died in the
22 line of duty while in response to state orders as defined in Section
23 1 of this act.
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1 C. Expenditures from the Oklahoma Homeland Security Revolving
2 Fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer
3 against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the
4 Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
5 payment.

6 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
8 February 18, 2021 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
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