

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 3972

By: Echols

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An Act relating to state government; creating the State Parks Emergency Maintenance Act; requiring the creation of an Eight-Year State Parks Emergency Maintenance Plan; requiring annual reporting; listing specific information to be reported; establishing format and delivery requirements; creating the State Parks Emergency Maintenance Fund; establishing Fund with revolving fund characteristics; declaring funds appropriated; limiting expenditure to amounts as authorized by the Legislature; limiting certain expenditure to certain percentage; providing budgeting and expenditure procedures and limitations; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "State Parks Emergency Maintenance Act".

1 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2254.3A of Title 74, unless
3 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Beginning December 31, 2024, and no later than December 31 each
5 year thereafter, the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department
6 shall submit in written or electronic format to the Governor, the
7 Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the President Pro
8 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate, the Appropriations and Budget
9 Chair of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, and the
10 Appropriations Chair of the Oklahoma State Senate an annual report
11 on the maintenance, infrastructure, and construction needs of the
12 State Parks System overseen by the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation
13 Department. The annual report shall be known and may be cited as
14 the "Eight-Year State Parks Emergency Maintenance Plan", and shall
15 include:

- 16 1. Maintenance, infrastructure, and construction projects
17 listed in order of priority and critical need;
- 18 2. Cost estimates for each specific project listed in paragraph
19 1 of this subsection;
- 20 3. Completion timeline for each specific project listed in
21 paragraph 1 of this subsection; and
- 22 4. A summary of the status of projects previously funded and
23 currently being funded pursuant to the provisions of the State Park
24 Emergency Maintenance Act.

1 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2254.3B of Title 74, unless
3 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
5 for the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department to be designated
6 the "State Parks Emergency Maintenance Fund". The fund shall be a
7 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall
8 consist of all monies received by the Oklahoma Tourism and
9 Recreation Department eligible under law and directed for deposit to
10 such Fund. All monies accruing to the credit of said fund are
11 hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma
12 Tourism and Recreation Department in amounts as authorized by the
13 Oklahoma Legislature, for the purpose of implementing the
14 Department's Eight-Year State Park Emergency Maintenance Plan, as
15 described in Section 2 of this act; provided, that in no event shall
16 an amount greater than twenty percent (20%) of the annual amount
17 accruing to the Fund shall be used for funding operational expenses
18 of the Department in any given state fiscal year. Expenditures from
19 said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer
20 against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the
21 Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
22 payment.

23 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.
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1 SECTION 5. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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