

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2036
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute for HB 2036, creates the Oklahoma State University Medical Authority Behavioral Health Workforce Development Fund. The fund will be overseen by the Oklahoma State University Medical Authority, and utilized for the purpose of designing and implementing a pilot program for behavioral health workforce development and access to behavioral health professionals. The pilot program will include:

- bed conversion and new beds
- renovations at behavioral health facilities to accommodate new licensed acute or residential treatment beds
- reallocation of beds from adult acute to child/adolescent acute beds
- relocation assistance for licensed behavioral health staff currently living out of state
- upskilling existing behavioral health workforce
- adding new psychiatric residents
- creating a behavioral health trauma fund for intensive home and community-based services.

The measure requires that the Oklahoma State University Medical Authority shall prepare a report for the Legislature on the results of the first year of funding, including the number of professionals retained and recruited, and the expected benefits of the program.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.