

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1278

6 By: Caldwell (Chad)

7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

8 An Act relating to the State Department of Health;
9 creating the Barbara Weber Amyotrophic Lateral
10 Sclerosis (ALS) Grant Program; placing the program at
11 a certain agency; providing purpose; requiring
12 certain reports; establishing the Barbara Weber
13 Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Grant Program
14 Revolving Fund; establishing fund nature; authorizing
15 certain budgeting and expenditure of funds for
16 certain purposes; providing for codification;
17 providing an effective date; and declaring an
18 emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-580 of Title 63, unless there
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Barbara Weber
24 Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Grant Program".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-580.1 of Title 63, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 There is hereby created the Barbara Weber Amyotrophic Lateral
2 Sclerosis (ALS) Grant Program which shall be administered by the
3 State Department of Health. The program shall grant funds to
4 support research for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) and for
5 programs that help support Oklahoma residents afflicted with ALS or
6 Oklahoma residents caring for a family member afflicted with ALS.
7 Beginning July 1, 2026, the State Department of Health shall provide
8 an annual report to the Governor, the Speaker of the Oklahoma House
9 of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State
10 Senate, Appropriations and Budget Chair of the Oklahoma House of
11 Representatives, and the Appropriations Chair of the Oklahoma State
12 Senate that includes, but is not limited to, how many grants have
13 been awarded during the previous fiscal year, which entities the
14 grants have been awarded to, and for what purposes the funds are
15 supporting.

16 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-580.2 of Title 63, unless
18 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 There is hereby created in the Oklahoma State Treasury a
20 revolving fund for the State Department of Health to be designated
21 the "Barbara Weber Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Grant Program
22 Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject
23 to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received
24 by the State Department of Health from appropriations, donations,

1 grants, or other sources of funding specifically designated for
2 deposit to the Barbara Weber Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
3 Grant Program Revolving Fund. All monies accruing to the credit of
4 said fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended
5 by the State Department of Health for the purpose of the Barbara
6 Weber Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Grant Program.
7 Expenditures from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by
8 the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with
9 the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for
10 approval and payment.

11 SECTION 4. There is hereby appropriated to the State Department
12 of Health from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the
13 General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year
14 ending June 30, 2026, the sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00)
15 to be deposited into the Barbara Weber Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
16 Grant Program Revolving Fund.

17 SECTION 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

18 SECTION 6. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
19 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
20 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
21 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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