

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 806

By: Pugh of the Senate

3 and

4 Moore of the House

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6 An Act relating to nutrition services; creating the
7 Food is Medicine Act; providing short title;
8 directing the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to seek
9 certain federal approval; stating certain
10 requirements for Food is Medicine programs;
11 authorizing certain covered services; directing the
12 State Department of Education to provide technical
13 assistance related to the Oklahoma Farm to School
14 Program Act; providing for noncodification; providing
15 for codification; providing an effective date; and
16 declaring an emergency.

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

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

21 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Food is
22 Medicine Act".

23 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
24 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5009.7 of Title 63, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall seek any necessary
federal approval to provide coverage for nutrition supports under
the state Medicaid program for the purpose of implementing Food is
Medicine programs as provided by this section.

1 B. Food is Medicine programs shall be designed to improve
2 health outcomes for Medicaid members with nutrition-related chronic
3 diseases through nutrition services and to reduce the need for
4 medical care.

5 C. Nutrition services covered under the state Medicaid program
6 may include, but are not limited to:

- 7 1. Case management;
- 8 2. Nutrition counseling;
- 9 3. Meals or pantry stocking;
- 10 4. Nutrition prescriptions; and
- 11 5. Grocery provisions.

12 D. Wherever feasible, the Authority and contracted entities
13 under the state Medicaid program shall prioritize the inclusion of
14 community-based organizations and local growers to support the
15 purchase of locally grown food in nutrition prescriptions.

16 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-147.2 of Title 70, unless
18 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 The State Department of Education shall provide, to schools who
20 apply for grants under the Oklahoma Farm to School Program Act
21 codified at Section 5-60.1 et seq. of Title 2 of the Oklahoma
22 Statutes, technical assistance with applying for grants and
23 administering programs that expand student access to fresh, healthy
24 food.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

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

6 Passed the Senate the 26th day of March, 2025.

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9 Presiding Officer of the Senate

10 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
11 2025.

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