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Research Analysis

HB 2914, as introduced, creates the "Oklahoma Respite Care Pilot Program for Seniors Act," which establishes pilot programs to provide respite care services for seniors through vouchers or waivers. The measure authorizes the Department of Human Services (DHS) to establish and administer pilot programs for the provision of respite care vouchers or respite waivers to caregivers. The pilot programs must follow the provisions listed within the measure. Individuals must meet listed criteria to be eligible to participate in the pilot program. Providers will be reimbursed by the state for services rendered under the program, based on rates established by DHS. The pilot program will be funded through multiple sources and DHS is authorized to seek and apply for available federal and state funding. DHS is required to conduct an annual review and report to the Legislature regarding the pilot programs.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB2914 creates the Oklahoma Respite Care Pilot Program and Seniors Act to provide respite services for seniors through vouchers or respite waivers. The measure directs the Department of Human Services (DHS) to establish and administer the pilot programs.

According to DHS, the actual cost will depend on how many facilities are available to take their clients and how many participants enroll in the program. However, agency officials anticipate a state cost of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) with Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000) of that amount towards personnel.

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Other Considerations

None.

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