## **BILL SUMMARY**

1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

Bill No.: SB806 Version: ENGR

**Request Number:** 

Author: Rep. Moore
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Impact: Medicaid: Potential Costs

## **Research Analysis**

The engrossed version of SB 806 creates the "Food is Medicine Act," which directs the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to seek any necessary federal approval to provide coverage for nutrition supports under the state Medicare program. Food is Medicine programs will be designed to improve health outcomes for Medicaid members with nutrition-related chronic diseases. Nutrition services covered under the state Medicaid program may include the services listed in the measure. Whenever feasible, the priority will be on including community-based organizations and local growers. The State Department of Education is required to provide technical to schools who apply for grants under the Oklahoma Farm to School Program Act.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

SB 806 establishes the Food is Medicine Act to improve health outcomes for Medicaid members with nutrition-related chronic diseases through nutrition services and reduce the need for medical care. The measure directs the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) to seek any necessary federal approval to provide coverage for nutrition services under the state Medicaid program.

Additionally, the measure directs the Department of Education (SDE) to provide technical assistance to schools that apply for grants under the Oklahoma Farm to School Program Act, helping them apply for grants and administer programs that expand student access to fresh, healthy foods. SDE does not anticipate the measure to have a significant impact on the agency, if any.

OHCA has been contacted regarding the potential fiscal implications for the state Medicaid program. As OHCA provides feedback on potential costs, this impact will be updated.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.