

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

4 ENGROSSED SENATE
5 BILL NO. 251

6 By: Gollihare of the Senate

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10 Stinson and **Pae** of the
11 House

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14 An Act relating to mental health and substance abuse
15 services; amending Section 4, Chapter 201, O.S.L.
16 2023 (43A O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2-312.4), which
17 relates to awards from the County Community Safety
18 Investment Fund; expanding types of evidence-based
19 services that qualify for funds; establishing minimum
20 allocation for county government or multi-county
21 partnership; updating statutory references; providing
22 an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

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26 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 201, O.S.L.

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28 2023 (43A O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2-312.4), is amended to read as
29 follows:

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31 Section 2-312.4. A. Subject to availability of funds under

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33 Section 631 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes Section 2-312.1 of
34 this title, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse

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36 Services shall annually issue a request for proposals by which

1 county governments or multi-county partnerships may apply for funds
2 for the development and implementation of evidence-based:

- 3 1. Mental health and substance abuse treatment programs or
- 4 other health care programs provided in the community;
- 5 2. Pretrial diversion programs, mental health and substance use
6 jail intake screenings, or jail reentry programs;
- 7 3. Employment programs;
- 8 4. Education programs; or
- 9 5. Housing programs.

10 B. The request for proposals shall include, but not be limited
11 to, the proposed services, number of individuals to be served by the
12 proposed services or programs, and the manner in which the services
13 or programs will partner with or be supported by local Department-
14 contracted or -certified entities.

15 C. For a proposal to be considered, the applying county
16 government or multi-county partnership must submit all necessary
17 documents to meet the requirements outlined in the request for
18 proposals.

19 D. The number of awards and funding amounts of each award shall
20 be at the discretion of the Department and shall be based on total
21 available funds, total county population, and the criteria in
22 subsection B of this section. Each county government or multi-
23 county partnership shall be allocated at least half of one percent
24 (0.5%) of the total amount appropriated for the award cycle.

1 E. The Department shall submit an annual report to the
2 President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
3 Representatives that includes the amount awarded to each county
4 government or multi-county partnership and a summary of services
5 provided by each county government or multi-county partnership.

6 F. The Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
7 shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of ~~this act~~ this
8 section and Sections 2-312.1, 2-312.2, and 2-312.3 of this title
9 including, but not limited to, rules that set qualifications for
10 programs eligible to receive funds under this section.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

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

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17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET, dated
04/16/2025 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.
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