

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 2516

By: Hilbert, Caldwell (Chad),  
and Hill of the House

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7 An Act relating to military infrastructure funding;  
8 creating the Base Infrastructure Needs and  
9 Development - Schools Revolving Fund; establishing  
10 the fund at the Oklahoma Military Department;  
11 establishing revolving fund characteristics; deeming  
12 funds appropriated; providing expenditure and  
13 budgeting requirements and limitations; creating Base  
Infrastructure Needs and Development - Schools  
Program; establishing program at the Oklahoma  
Military Department; authorizing certain utilizations  
of funds; authorizing certain citations; providing  
for codification; establishing an effective date; and  
declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified

18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 301B of Title 44, unless there  
19 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving  
21 fund for the Oklahoma Military Department to be designated the "Base  
22 Infrastructure Needs and Development - Schools Revolving Fund",  
23 which may also be cited as "BIND - Schools Fund". The fund shall be  
24 a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall

1 consist of all monies directed for deposit to the fund by law. All  
2 monies accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated  
3 and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma Military Department  
4 for the purpose established in subsection B of this section.

5 Expenditures from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by  
6 the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with  
7 the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for  
8 approval and payment.

9       B. There is hereby established within the Oklahoma Military  
10 Department the "Base Infrastructure Needs and Development - Schools  
11 Program", which may also be cited as the "BIND - Schools Program".

12 The Department shall utilize funds from the BIND - Schools Fund  
13 created in subsection A of this section, alone or in combination  
14 with other available funding, to make infrastructure investments,  
15 including, but not limited to, new construction, improving common  
16 education facilities located on military bases in this state, that  
17 will either:

18       1. Decrease the likelihood of military base and other military  
19 infrastructure closures in this state, or

20       2. Increase the likelihood of military base and other military  
21 infrastructure expansions in this state.

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

23       SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
24 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

3 Passed the House of Representatives the 10th day of March, 2025.

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6 Presiding Officer of the House  
7 of Representatives

8 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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