

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 SENATE BILL 251

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to mental health and substance abuse
8 services; amending Section 4, Chapter 201, O.S.L.
9 2023 (43A O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2-312.4), which
10 relates to awards from the County Community Safety
11 Investment Fund; expanding types of evidence-based
services that qualify for funds; establishing minimum
allocation for county government or multi-county
partnership; updating statutory references; providing
an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

15 2023 (43A O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2-312.4), is amended to read as
16 follows:

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

18 ~~Section 631 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes Section 2-312.1 of~~
19 ~~this title,~~ the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
20 Services shall annually issue a request for proposals by which
21 county governments or multi-county partnerships may apply for funds
22 for the development and implementation of evidence-based:
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- 1 1. Mental health and substance abuse treatment programs or
2 other health care programs provided in the community;
- 3 2. Pretrial diversion programs, mental health and substance use
4 jail intake screenings, or jail reentry programs;
- 5 3. Employment programs;
- 6 4. Education programs; or
- 7 5. Housing programs.

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

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

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

23 E. The Department shall submit an annual report to the
24 President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of

1 Representatives that includes the amount awarded to each county
2 government or multi-county partnership and a summary of services
3 provided by each county government or multi-county partnership.

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

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

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

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