



**OKLAHOMA**  
**Rehabilitation Services**

# **Commission for Rehabilitation Services**

**Commissioners Theresa Flannery and  
Wes Hilliard**

Regular Meeting  
and Video Conferencing

3535 NW 58<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200  
Oklahoma City, OK

June 12, 2023

Empowering Oklahomans with Disabilities

**State of Oklahoma - Commission for Rehabilitation Services  
Regular Commission Meeting**

**June 12, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.**

Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services  
3535 NW 58th Street, Suite 200  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112  
Commission link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1618190021>  
Phone: 1-669-254-5252  
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Wes Hilliard, Commission Acting Chair  
Theresa Flannery, Commission Member

**AGENDA**

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**MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair
- 2. Statement of Compliance with the Open Meeting Act.** Carol Brown, Commission Assistant
- 3. Review and discussion with possible vote for approval of the May 8, 2023, Commission for Rehabilitation Services regular meeting minutes.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair **PAGE 2**
- 4. Presentation of Longevity Certificate.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair
- 5. Executive Director's Report.** Melinda Fruendt

Executive Director's report with possible Commission discussion. The report includes remembrance of Arthur Dignan, teacher at OSD; the Executive Director's meetings with staff, and state meetings; update on referrals from self-referral online portal; RSA On-site monitoring review update; and Process Improvement updates. **PAGE 7**

- 6. Priority Group Update.** Mark Kinnison, VR Administrator
  - A. Priority Group Updates with possible Commission discussion. Report includes status of all Priority Groups II and III.
  - B. Vocational Rehabilitation Services report showing statistics for all areas within VR; Administrator's activities; Business Services updates; and Transition updates. **PAGE 10**

**7. Chief Financial Officer's Report.** Kevin Statham

- A. Financial report with possible Commission discussion of FY 2023 as of April 30, 2023. **PAGE 13**
- B. Presentation of FY 24 Expenditure Limits and FTE Budgetary Limit Request with possible vote for approval. **PAGE 21**
- C. Presentation of 2025 2032 DRS Capital outlay Request with possible vote for approval. **PAGE 23**

**8. Human Resource Director's Report.** Tom Patt

Personnel Activity report with possible Commission discussion, as of May 31, 2023. The activity report has the current FTE status. **PAGE 32**

**9. Legislative Liaison's report.** Jennifer Hardin

Legislative report with possible Commission discussion. This report includes DRS Request Bills, Direct Impact bills, and a Bill status report. **PAGE 39**

**10. Success Story.** Valencia Wilson, Programs Manager

Success Story with possible Commission discussion. **PAGE 57**

**11. Report on Lawton 3D Maps Project.** Liz Scheffe, Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialist

An overview of 3D Maps Project with the City of Lawton.

**12. Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Donation Report.** Kevin Treese

Review and discussion with possible vote for approval of the May 2023 donations to the Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. **PAGE 59**

**13. Oklahoma School for the Blind Donation Report.** Rita Echelle

Review and discussion with possible vote for approval of the May 2023 donations to the Oklahoma School for the Blind. **PAGE 61**

**14. Oklahoma School for the Deaf Donation Report.** Dr. Heather Laine

Review and discussion with possible vote for approval of the May 2023 donations to the Oklahoma School for the Deaf. **PAGE 63**

**15. Vote to convene into Executive Session.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair

16. **Proposed Executive Session. Discussion and possible action to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(B)(1) for the purpose of discussing the salary of the Executive Director.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair
17. **Vote to reconvene into Regular Session.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair
18. **Discussion and possible action on matters discussed in Executive Session.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair
19. **New Business (“Any matter not known about, org which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting” 25 O.S. § 311).** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair
20. **Announcements.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair

Next Meeting:

**Monday, July 10, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.**

3535 NW 58th Street 2nd Floor

Oklahoma City, OK 73112

21. **Public Comments.** Public

Under Oklahoma Open Meeting Laws, the Oklahoma Commission for Rehabilitation Services cannot respond to or discuss any matter not on today’s agenda.

22. **Adjourn.** Wes Hilliard, Acting Chair

# COMMISSION MINUTES

**Oklahoma Commission for Rehabilitation Services**  
**Department of Rehabilitation Services**  
**In-Person and Videoconferencing**  
**Commission Minutes**  
**May 8, 2023**

Wes Hilliard, Commission Acting Chair  
Theresa Flannery, Commission Member

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**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Commission Acting Chair Hilliard. Two Commissioners were in attendance; therefore, there was a quorum.

**PRESENT**

Wes Hilliard, Commission Acting Chair  
Theresa Flannery, Commission Member

**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

Carol Brown, Commission Assistant confirmed the Commission for Rehabilitation Services follows the Open Meetings Act.

**COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard asked for a motion and vote to approve the April 10, 2023, Commission for Rehabilitation Services Meeting Minutes.

***Motion was made by Commissioner Flannery and seconded by Acting Chair Hilliard to approve the April 10, 2023, minutes. Both Commissioners voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.***

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Executive Director Melinda Freundt to present her Certificates of Appreciation and report.

Jonathon Cook nominated **Keri Dabney, Lisa Nessel** and **Tammy Randles**, Rehabilitation Technicians and **Brenda Brasher** of Professional Development. Each of the Rehabilitation Technicians were recommended by their Field Services Coordinator to assist in developing and delivering training to all Rehabilitation Technicians in the agency. They coordinated their efforts with Brenda Brasher to do an exceptional job of delivering training, answering questions, and providing tools to their colleagues. They went above and beyond what is expected of them and provided a great service to their fellow Rehabilitation Technicians.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Melinda Freundt, Executive Director. Mrs. Freundt's gave a remembrance of a retired Vocational Rehabilitation Services secretary Mrs. Rosita Pamplin. She lived and worked in Lawton and is the mother of retired DVR employee Wayne Pamplin.

### *Meetings*

Mrs. Fruendt gave a brief report on all the meetings she attended in April and May.

### *VR/SBVI Self-Referral Portal*

Mrs. Fruendt said as of May 8, there were 194 referrals. Commissioner Flannery asked how many were opened cases and Mrs. Fruendt said this information was not available now yet will be incorporated in the future from the information disseminated from the referrals.

### *Process Improvement AWARE*

Executive Director Fruendt gave updates on the AWARE projects and said a new version is currently being tested.

### *Case Review*

Mrs. Fruendt gave updates on method for ensuring each office is reviewed on a quarterly basis.

### *Program Standards, Statistical Research*

Mrs. Fruendt said they are working with the ICRC staff on a survey and gave updates on their work.

## **PRIORITY GROUP UPDATE**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Tracy Brigham, Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired Administrator to give the Priority Report and SBVI report.

She stated Priority Group I is still open, and two hundred (200) individuals were released from Priority Group II. There are currently one thousand fifty-three in Priority Group II and one hundred sixty-seven in Priority Group III, with a total of one thousand two hundred twenty (1,220) on the waiting list.

## **SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUAL IMPAIRED**

Mrs. Brigham's SBVI report included update on Field Services, OLBPH, AIM Center, BEP, Business Services, Transition, and the Division Administrator Activities.

## **FINANCIAL**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Kevin Statham, Chief Financial Officer to present the Financial Status report and the 2025 2032 DRS Capital Outlay Request for review.

Mr. Statham reported on the FY 2023 Financial Status as of March 31, 2023.

Mr. Statham then presented the 2025 2032 DRS Capital Outlay Request. Mr. Statham further stated this request would be presented in June for a vote by the Commission.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Tom Patt, Human Services Director. Mr. Patt reported on the Personnel activity as of April 30, 2023.

## **LEGISLATIVE**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Jennifer Hardin, Legislative Liaison. Ms. Hardin reported as of April 27, 2023, there were five hundred (500) bills left on the floor. Ms. Hardin also state as of today there were forty-two (42) bills vetoed. Her report also gave up to date information on the status of DRS Request Bills and Direct DRS Impact Bills.

## **SUCCESS STORY**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Cheryl Snow, Program Manager and Liz Scheffe, Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialist. They presented the story of Dana Young. In 2018, Ms. Young not only lost her eyesight due to retinitis pigmentosa; she also was diagnosed with leukemia and her mother passed away. She and her mother lived together. She applied for DRS services and in September 2019 a case was established. Mrs. Snow and Mrs. Scheffe worked with her very closely. Her counselor was Tammie Jones. She entered the VIBE program which gave her the ability to realize she was not alone. She found she could also continue doing her arts and crafts. In 2021 she was contacted by her former employer Elite Academy of Lawton and was given the job of Financial Aid Administrator. She is thriving in work and making jewelry. She says, "her life is awesome now and she loves being able to educate people that blind people can be independent".

## **OKLAHOMA INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Sidna Trimmell, SILC Executive Director. Mrs. Trimmell reported on the meetings she attended and gave an update on the SILC activities.

## **OKLAHOMA REHABILITATION COUNCIL**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Carolina Colclasure, ORC Program Manager. Ms. Colclasure gave updates on the ORC committees.

## **OKLAHOMA LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED (OLBPH) DONATIONS**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Kevin Treese, OLBPH Programs Manager. Mr. Treese reported on the April 2023 OLBPH donations.

***Motion was made by Commissioner Flannery and seconded by Acting Chair Hilliard to approve the April 2023, OLBPH donations. Both Commissioners voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.***

## **OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND DONATIONS**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Rita Echelle, OSB Superintendent. Mrs. Echelle reported the April 2023 OSB donations.

***Motion was made by Commissioner Flannery and seconded by Acting Chair Hilliard to approve the April 2023 OSB donations. Both Commissioners voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.***



## **OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF DONATIONS**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard recognized Dr. Heather Laine, OSD Superintendent. Dr. Laine reported on the April 2023 OSD donations.

***Motion was made by Commissioner Flannery and seconded by Acting Chair Hilliard to approve the April 2023 OSD donations. Both Commissioners voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard asked if there was any New Business. There was none.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard announced the date and location of next regular meeting of the Commission for Rehabilitation Services is **June 12, 2023**, at 10:30 a.m., DRS State office 3535 NW 58<sup>th</sup> Street, 2nd Floor Oklahoma City, OK 73112.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Commission Acting Chair Hilliard asked if there were any public comments. Jonathon Cook said there were none.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

***Motion was made by Commission Acting Chair Hilliard and seconded by Commissioner Flannery to adjourn. Both Commissioners voted in the affirmative. Motion passed***

**Respectfully submitted by Carol Brown, Commission Assistant  
May 8, 2023**

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services**  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**  
**June 12, 2023**

**Remembrance**

Arthur Dignan who was a teacher at Oklahoma School for the Deaf, passed away May 12 at age 83. Arthur was a 1958 graduate of Florida School for the Deaf and Blind. He attended Gallaudet University in Washington D.C. where he studied and graduated with his degree in Sociology in 1971. Arthur went on to teach at various other institutions for the deaf including California School for the Deaf, Southwest Collegiate Institute of the Deaf, and Oklahoma School for the Deaf.

**Executive**

May

9-11 – Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) Monitoring/Technical Assistance onsite visit.

12 – DHS Multi-Sector Plan on Aging.

17 – Oklahoma School for the Deaf graduation.

18 – Oklahoma School for the Blind graduation.

23-24 – VR/SBVI Employee Retention, Recruitment, and Organizational Culture Change Training.

June

1 – OCCY Finance Committee meeting; OK IPSE Year End Review meeting.

5, 7-8 – RSA Monitoring/Technical Assistance Follow-up Virtual Meetings.

5 – Galt Collaboration and Account Activity Meeting.

6 – Workforce Core Partner Meeting.

9 – Human Services Cabinet Meeting.

Week of 5-9 – Internal Division Budget meetings.

**VR/SBVI Self-Referral Online Portal Update**

As of January 19, 2023 through June 1, 2023 there have been 236 referrals.

**RSA Monitoring and Technical Assistance (RSA) Update – Stephanie Roe**

DRS concluded the onsite monitoring review with the Rehabilitation Services Administration the week of May 8-11.

Focus areas included:

- Discussion around OOS, Functional assessment tools, Areas of Supported Employment
- Staffing issues, Quality Assurance, Internal Controls in Data Reporting
- Services to Youth and Students with disabilities including Pre-Ets
- Notice of interpretation about Pre-Ets to utilize and expend funds in that area
- Financial Needs Test Policy
- Staff Training
- Financial Management

- Overall view of data tables

A series of 3 additional calls occurred the week of June 5<sup>th</sup>. At this time, we do not have a definitive timeline for receiving the monitoring report from RSA.

## **Process Improvement (PI)**

### **Federal Reporting**

- RSA911 PY22 Q3 was submitted on time.

### **AWARE**

The AWARE team:

Has initiated a conversation with Alliance Enterprises about possibilities for adapting AWARE to use the auto-budget selection process.

Is preparing to launch a new feature in AWARE called related case notes. This feature allows staff to relate a case note to a specific data page, such as an authorization or actual service. A training video has been developed to distribute to staff once the feature is live.

### **Case Review**

Reviewing open cases for the month of May.

## **Program Standards, Statistical Research**

The research staff:

Are working on the OLBPH adult patron survey (the online and phone portions are complete, and the mail/data entry portion is in progress).

Are working with the Superintendents of OSB and OSD on a parent satisfaction survey for 2023.

Worked with SDE-SES on a data request related to service counts for a grant proposal.

Continue to train and practice report building in Power BI.

***Respectfully submitted by  
Melinda Freundt, Executive Director***

# **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION REPORT**

## June 2023 Commission Report

- As of June 1, 2023, VR/SBVI programs have completed 2,788 applications for employment, 1,308 plans for employment, and 619 successful employment outcomes.
- Hourly wage earnings are 15.81 per hour on successful outcomes.
- The VR Division Administrator continues to meet with Field Coordinators every other week to focus on process improvement and program development.
- A meeting with Program Managers, Field Coordinators, Business Coordinator, and Transition Coordinator was held March 8-9. Topics of discussion included the recent Gov. Executive Order, vehicle use, Hope Science/Servant Leadership, data management, transition services, business services, and a legislative overview by Jennifer Hardin.
- Staff participated in Disability Awareness Day on March 7.
- Both VR/SBVI Division Administrators and Field Coordinators continue to meet monthly regarding common program issues.
- A virtual meeting was held with all VR staff on March 21 to discuss programmatic issues and performance.
- Counselor appreciation day was recognized on March 22.
- OKTVR meetings were held in March and May. These meetings enhance our relationship with the Tribal VR programs.
- Staff attended the National Association of Workforce Boards annual conference.
- Monthly meetings continue to occur between VR/SBVI staff, and DHS employees with Developmental Disability Services.
- VR staff participated in the Council of State Administrators of Vocational Rehabilitation national conference.
- Multiple pre-on-site discussions were held with RSA in preparation for the audit.
- Leadership Trainings were held on April 26-27, and May 23-24. The focus was on recruitment and retention, as well as program development.
- The VR/SBVI DA's and Director participated in new employee academy.
- RSA audit occurred May 9-11.
- We are working with many counseling vacancies, and many people are working two jobs.
- At this time, we have successfully assisted 238 clients this year to go off SSI/SSDI benefits, which has resulted in a return of money to the program in the amount of \$2,624,221.58.

### Business Services

- A meeting was held with the Office of Workforce/Department of Commerce to work on the details of the Business Summit to be held in May of 2024.
- BSP had a marketing/job development training with NCEDET/OU to make sure we are better prepared to market our services and the employment of people with disabilities in integrated settings.
- A Ribbon cutting was held in Claremore to showcase the partnership of the Chamber of Commerce, Business partners and the Northeast One Stop Operator.
- A Business Advisory Council was held in Lawton with the participation of the business community and Dr. Annie Baghdayan NCEDET Executive director.

- Tulsa International Airport staff met with the Business Services team on May 11 and then invited the Business Services Team to a ribbon cutting of their accessibility rooms on May 25. The idea of these rooms is to provide better services to people with and without disabilities. There are rooms for service animals, developmental disabilities, a sensory room, and a breastfeeding room. They stated Charles Watt was a big part of this and now they are inviting the Business Services Team to assist, participate, and work with them in diversifying their workforce. They want to be more inclusive of people with disabilities.

#### Transition Services

- There are 8 STEM camps scheduled for this summer. There will be one at the School for the Blind and 2 Autism specific STEM camps.
- There are 26 BEST camps scheduled around the state and 23 STEP camps scheduled this summer (followed by BEST). Every “new” school will be doing a BEST camp the first year before having STEP in their community. There will be a minimum of 20 students per camp and the STEP portion will have 4 weeks of work for each student making \$10.00 per hour at no more than 25 hours a week. Wages will be paid for by the Central Workforce Board and the Southern Workforce Board.
- Transition VIBE is the last week of June for blind and visually impaired students.
- Our counselors, Rehabilitation Technicians, OU Pre-Ets (17), and OU Work Skills Trainers (4) are all working collaboratively to provide these amazing opportunities to youth with disabilities ages 16-21.

I’m very proud to work with our employees. I’m thankful for their persistence, flexibility, and commitment to our agency and Oklahomans with disabilities.



Mark Kinnison, M.Ed., CRC, LPC-S  
VR Administrator  
Oklahoma Rehabilitation Services

# **FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT**



# Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 23

As of April 30, 2023

All Programs Agency Summary						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	87,735,007.00	52.4%	62,129,489.64	70.8%	24,737,015.42	99.0%
Travel	939,239.00	0.6%	845,465.37	90.0%	54,782.75	95.8%
General Operating	23,116,679.43	13.8%	12,130,694.87	52.5%	9,077,501.73	91.7%
Office Furniture & Equipment	1,839,672.00	1.1%	595,717.13	32.4%	276,893.66	47.4%
Client / General Assistance	44,137,760.00	26.4%	21,820,740.77	49.4%	20,264,965.03	95.4%
Indirect Cost	9,698,425.00	5.8%	7,282,078.57	75.1%	2,416,346.43	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167,466,782.43</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>104,804,186.35</b>	<b>62.6%</b>	<b>56,827,505.02</b>	<b>96.5%</b>

# Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 23

As of April 30, 2023

<b>All Programs</b>						
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation and Visual Services</b>						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	25,783,092.00	33.7%	17,320,291.61	67.2%	8,307,180.13	99.4%
Travel	585,400.00	0.8%	625,131.50	106.8%	320.00	106.8%
General Operating	9,377,942.00	12.3%	5,500,835.31	58.7%	3,034,565.12	91.0%
Office Furniture & Equipment	679,781.00	0.9%	216,117.91	31.8%	0.00	31.8%
Client / General Assistance	36,357,760.00	47.5%	15,641,327.64	43.0%	18,840,616.93	94.8%
Indirect Cost	3,742,891.00	4.9%	2,689,833.29	71.9%	1,053,057.71	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>76,526,866.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>41,993,537.26</b>	<b>54.9%</b>	<b>31,235,739.89</b>	<b>95.7%</b>

<b>Vocational Rehabilitation Grant</b>						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	23,222,094.00	32.3%	15,500,541.72	66.7%	7,641,139.87	99.7%
Travel	574,500.00	0.8%	612,452.48	106.6%	221.31	106.6%
General Operating	8,476,941.00	11.8%	5,157,031.20	60.8%	2,622,134.53	91.8%
Office Furniture & Equipment	509,281.00	0.7%	141,103.25	27.7%	0.00	27.7%
Client / General Assistance	35,634,667.00	49.6%	15,347,805.05	43.1%	18,511,055.30	95.0%
Indirect Cost	3,454,557.00	4.8%	2,482,882.76	71.9%	971,674.24	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>71,872,040.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>39,241,816.46</b>	<b>54.6%</b>	<b>29,746,225.25</b>	<b>96.0%</b>

# Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 23

As of April 30, 2023

All Programs						
Oklahoma School for the Blind						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	6,684,882.00	72.4%	5,430,838.12	81.2%	1,223,643.31	99.5%
Travel	75,000.00	0.8%	68,656.29	91.5%	0.00	91.5%
General Operating	1,267,251.43	13.7%	825,598.15	65.1%	261,402.22	85.8%
Office Furniture & Equipment	523,300.00	5.7%	275,957.75	52.7%	140,392.86	79.6%
Client / General Assistance	57,000.00	0.6%	34,447.28	60.4%	45.97	60.5%
Indirect Cost	628,996.00	6.8%	577,555.74	91.8%	51,440.26	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,236,429.43</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7,213,053.33</b>	<b>78.1%</b>	<b>1,676,924.62</b>	<b>96.2%</b>

# Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 23

As of April 30, 2023

All Programs						
Oklahoma School for the Deaf						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	7,722,750.00	50.0%	5,739,208.47	74.3%	1,771,022.01	97.2%
Travel	136,439.00	0.9%	81,799.17	60.0%	24,800.00	78.1%
General Operating	5,872,664.00	38.0%	1,727,046.60	29.4%	3,675,073.72	92.0%
Office Furniture & Equipment	557,854.00	3.6%	90,347.72	16.2%	136,500.80	40.7%
Client / General Assistance	373,000.00	2.4%	177,290.97	47.5%	41,977.01	58.8%
Indirect Cost	782,043.00	5.1%	617,155.16	78.9%	164,887.84	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,444,750.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8,432,848.09</b>	<b>54.6%</b>	<b>5,814,261.38</b>	<b>92.2%</b>

# Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 23

As of April 30, 2023

All Programs						
Disability Determination Division						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	39,833,335.00	71.5%	27,792,588.90	69.8%	11,660,533.98	99.0%
Travel	89,300.00	0.2%	31,530.09	35.3%	29,662.75	68.5%
General Operating	3,875,968.00	7.0%	2,356,390.35	60.8%	1,356,347.97	95.8%
Office Furniture & Equipment	31,237.00	0.1%	6,899.61	22.1%	0.00	22.1%
Client / General Assistance	7,350,000.00	13.2%	5,967,674.88	81.2%	1,382,325.12	100.0%
Indirect Cost	4,538,160.00	8.1%	3,392,888.52	74.8%	1,145,271.48	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>55,718,000.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>39,547,972.35</b>	<b>71.0%</b>	<b>15,574,141.30</b>	<b>98.9%</b>

# Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 23

As of April 30, 2023

All Programs						
DRS Support Services						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	7,710,948.00	73.2%	5,846,562.54	75.8%	1,774,635.99	98.8%
Travel	53,100.00	0.5%	38,348.32	72.2%	0.00	72.2%
General Operating	2,722,854.00	25.8%	1,720,824.46	63.2%	750,112.70	90.7%
Office Furniture & Equipment	47,500.00	0.5%	6,394.14	13.5%	0.00	13.5%
Client / General Assistance	0.00	0.0%	0.00	0.0%	0.00	0.0%
Indirect Cost	6,335.00	0.1%	4,645.86	73.3%	1,689.14	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,540,737.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7,616,775.32</b>	<b>72.3%</b>	<b>2,526,437.83</b>	<b>96.2%</b>

# Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 23

As of April 30, 2023

<b>Personnel</b>
Salary Expense
Insurance Premium -Health-Life, etc
FICA-Retirement Contributions
<b>Travel</b>
Travel - Agency Direct
Travel - Reimbursements
<b>General Operating</b>
AFP Encumbrances
Bond Indebtness and Expenses
Buildings-Purchase, Construction and Renovation
General Operating
Inter/Intra Agency Payment for Personal Services
Maintenance & Repair
Miscellaneous Administration Fee
Professional Services
Production, Safety, Security
Refunds, Indemnities, Restitution
Rent Expense
Scholarships, Tuition and Other Incentive-Type Payments
Shop Expense
Specialized Supplies & Materials
<b>Office Furniture &amp; Equipment</b>
Library Equipment & Resources
Office Furniture & Equipment
<b>Client / General Assistance</b>
Social Service and Assistance Payments
<b>Indirect Cost</b>

**FY 24 EXPENDITURE  
LIMITS AND FTE  
BUDGETARY LIMIT**



Oklahoma Commission for Rehabilitation Services

Executive Summary

ISSUE:

Staff requests approval of the FY 2024 Expenditure Limits and FTE Budgetary Limit

BACKGROUND:

The FY 2024 Budget Request was approved by the Oklahoma Commission for Rehabilitation Services and submitted to the Office of Management and Enterprise Services. The Governor of Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Legislature considered this request for appropriations. DRS's FY 2024 state appropriations increased \$2,919,656, or 8.2% from the current FY 2023 level. Total DRS State Appropriations for FY 2024 are \$38,542,951.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the following:

<u>FY 2024 Expenditure Limits</u>	
DVR/DSBVI	\$88,000,000
OSB	12,000,000
OSD	25,000,000
DDS	62,000,000
Support Services	<u>13,000,000</u>
DRS Total	\$200,000,000

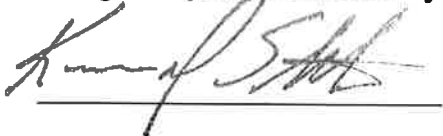
FTE Budgetary Limit

The legislature did not impose an FTE limit for the agency. However, a budgeted FTE limit is required in order to comply with other statutory requirements imposed on the agency. The budgetary limit for FY 2024 shall be set at 1,255.0 FTE.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Allow spending levels up to limits stated above.

Budget Impact Reviewed by:

  
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Date: June 5, 2023

**FY 2025 – FY 2032  
CAPITAL OUTLAY  
REQUEST**

**OKLAHOMA COMMISSION FOR REHABILITATION SERVICES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**ISSUE:**

Approval of the FY 2025 – FY 2032 Capital Outlay Request

**BACKGROUND:**

At the Commission meeting held May 8, 2023, the Commission for Rehabilitation Services reviewed capital requests and justifications for FY 2025 – FY 2032.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests approval of the FY 2025 – FY 2032 Capital Outlay Request.

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

**FY 2025 – FY 2032 Capital Outlay Request**

<b>Division/Program</b>	<b>Number of Projects</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
OSB	7	\$17,152,000
OSD	10	11,000,000
SBVI	1	650,000
CPC	2	223,283
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>\$29,025,283</b>

**Department of Rehabilitation Services  
FY 2025 - FY 2032 Capital Outlay Request**

<b>Priority</b>	<b>Project #</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	805-0068	OSB - New Cafeteria	\$ 6,500,000
2	805-0069	OSB - Auditorium Remodel	877,000
3	805-0080	OSD - Elevator Replacement Griffing Hall	2,000,000
4	805-0090	OSB - Boys Dormitory Remodel	644,000
5	805-0036	OSB - New Media and Technology Center	4,320,000
6	805-0059	OSD - Auditorium Remodel	300,000
7	805-0088	OSD - Dormitory Renovation	1,400,000
8	805-0030	OSB - B-4 Building Remodel	1,100,000
9	805-0095	OSD - Canopies for Play Areas	300,000
10	805-0098	OSD - Tuckpointing: Stewart, White, Read, Griffing and Vocational	400,000
11	805-0072	OSB - Apartment Remodel	881,000
12	805-0092	SBVI - Oklahoma Library for the Blind Renovation	650,000
13	805-0097	OSD - White Hall and Griffing Hall Remodel	2,000,000
14	805-0094	OSD - Sports Stadium Improvements	1,800,000
15	805-0100	OSD - Swimming Pool	1,400,000
16	805-0099	OSD - Resurface Parking Lots	1,000,000
17	805-0096	OSD - General Site Work	400,000
18	805-0026	OSB - New Maintenance and Auto/Carpentry Shop	2,830,000
19	805-0101	CPC - Parking Lot Resurfacing	62,920
20	805-0102	CPC - Work Sample Center	160,363
<b>TOTAL REQUEST</b>			<b>\$29,025,283</b>

<b>Division/Program</b>	<b>Amount</b>
OSB (7 Projects)	\$17,152,000
OSD (10 Projects)	11,000,000
SBVI (1 Project)	650,000
CPC (2 Projects)	223,283
<b>Total Request (20 Projects)</b>	<b>\$29,025,283</b>

## DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

### FY 2025 - FY 2032 Capital Outlay Request

#### **805-0068 OSB - New Cafeteria**

**Agency Priority 1 Amount \$6,500,000**

This request is for construction of a new school cafeteria. Underneath the concrete floor the sewer and plumbing lines are original to the 1904 building. Maintenance has piece-milled sections of pipe. The floor drains do not drain properly. Water lines and grease traps are old and need to be replaced. The ceilings are low and the lighting is inadequate. There are large, load-bearing columns throughout the dining room that make it difficult for visually impaired children to navigate freely. A new cafeteria would also provide additional room for trainings and special events. The old dining room could be remodeled for Career Technology classes.

#### **805-0069 OSB - Auditorium Remodel**

**Agency Priority 2 Amount \$877,000**

This request is to renovate the auditorium to upgrade flooring, lighting, sound system and seating capacity. At graduation and other special events, the auditorium fills to capacity with families, friends, and dignitaries. They must stand in the aisles and doorways. The dry-rotted plywood sub-floor will not hold the screwed down seats. The sub-floor must be replaced before new seating and carpet can be installed. The carpet, painting, and seating were replaced approximately 22 years ago. The lighting is inadequate and the sound system is approximately 1 year old. The HVAC needs to be upgraded from a 2 pipe to a 4 pipe system. There are 265 seats and 3,150 sq. ft., which includes the balcony area.

#### **805-0080 OSD - Elevator Replacement Griffing Hall**

**Agency Priority 3 Amount \$2,000,000**

This is an urgent capital improvement request for the Griffing Hall Elevator. It can't be replaced until Blattner Hall has been remodeled due to students staying on the 2nd and 3rd floors. Recent DOL inspections revealed that elevators in Griffing Hall are outdated and no longer meet safety codes. Both elevators were installed in the 1960's. Parts to repair and restore 50 year old equipment are obsolete, and very expensive if available at all. Each year OSD secures a preventative maintenance service contract with an elevator company to provide monthly inspections and to make repairs as needed. Because of the age of the equipment, elevator technicians recommend that both elevators be replaced, and DOL recommends that both elevators be replaced. Each elevator is heavily used, providing ADA accessibility for students to dormitories and classrooms; offices and labs are located on the 2nd & 3rd floors. ADA accessibility is critical for students. This project was budgeted in FY23 at \$844,425; however, this is insufficient to cover the cost of the elevator. Costs to replace the elevator in Griffing Hall will be significantly higher due to structural issues, and is anticipated to cost \$1.5 to \$2 million dollars.

**805-0090 OSB - Boys Dormitory Remodel**  
**Agency Priority 4 Amount \$644,000**

The High School boys' dorm is currently made up of 16 very small areas divided with partitions. This does not provide adequate privacy that is needed for the boys like the girls have in Lowry Hall. This will give each boy their own room with a door for privacy. This would also update/renovate their recreational and kitchen space.

**805-0036 OSB - New Media and Technology Center**  
**Agency Priority 5 Amount \$4,320,000**

This request is for a new Media Technology Center that would also be large enough to house all library materials. The new center will include technology labs that are designed for low vision and braille students. The low vision lab will have different types of electronic table top & hand-held magnifiers. The computers will be adapted for visually impaired and blind students. The labs will have study cubicles for students to complete assignments with support from our trained technology and library staff. There will be braille embossers in a sound proof room that can be accessed from the lab. The OSB library has outgrown its present space. Most libraries have materials in one or two mediums; however, OSB provides books and materials in several mediums (regular print, large print, Braille, and tape). For example, the braille equivalent for one regular dictionary is 24 volumes in large print and 32 large volumes in braille. Because OSB currently houses the largest braille library in the state, the weight of the holdings on the top floor of the library could present future problems. Due to the location of the library, it is necessary to block off access to the library after school hours for safety reasons pertaining to dormitory security. The new library will be located where students can access it after hours and have full use of all media and resources. Students will be able to exit in a safe and timely manner. In addition, an area would be dedicated for raised relief maps. The school already owns several relief maps that are on stands and range in size from 3ft x 3ft to 4ft x 5ft. These maps are great learning tools for our students, but are presently stored because there is no space to display them.

**805-0059 OSD - Auditorium Remodel**  
**Agency Priority 6 Amount \$300,000**

This request is to renovate the auditorium to upgrade seating capacity and handicapped accessible seating. At graduation and other special events, the auditorium fills to capacity with families, friends, and dignitaries. They must stand in the aisles and doorways. The carpet, painting, and seating were replaced approximately 25 years ago. There are 265 seats and 3,150 sq. ft., which includes the balcony.

**805-0088 - OSD Dormitory Renovation**  
**Agency Priority 7 Amount \$1,400,000**

Planning for dormitory renovation began in FY 21, with combined expenditures of \$90k A&E in FYs 21 and 22 for Stewart and Blattner dorms. Completion of Phase 1 Stewart Hall renovation is anticipated by 6/30/23. Phase 2 Blattner Hall is anticipated for completion in FY24. Blattner Hall dormitory requires extensive renovation, including asbestos abatement. In addition to extensive repairs, renovation will make the dormitory more accessible and usable for home life experience necessary for the kids. Renovation for Blattner Hall was budgeted in FY23 at \$1.187mil, with expenditures to date of \$45k including asbestos testing. Abatement is estimated at \$95.5k and remaining renovation is now estimated between \$1.1mil and \$1.3mil.

**805-0030 OSB - B-4 Building Remodel**  
**Agency Priority 8 Amount \$1,100,000**

This project is to renovate a B-4 Building into independent living units for transitional OSB students and have a main teaching/meeting area. This would add new plumbing, electrical, and HVAC systems. Plaster repairs, painting, and new flooring would be required. The building has new a roof, windows, and tuck-pointing. Presently, the B-4 dormitory second floor can only be used for storage. The main floor has been renovated using donated monies.

**805-0095 OSD - Canopies for Play Areas**  
**Agency Priority 9 Amount \$300,000**

This request is to install canopies over the playground areas on campus.

**805-0098 OSD - Tuckpointing: Stewart, White, Read, Griffing and Vocational**  
**Agency Priority 10 Amount \$400,000**

This request is for masonry tuckpointing to replace aging mortar between bricks.

**805-0072 OSB - Apartment Remodel**  
**Agency Priority 11 Amount \$881,000**

This project is to renovate the old apartments built in 1949, located on the second floor above the maintenance building, into independent living units for OSB transition graduates. This plan will connect this building to the B-4 dorm with a connecting corridor/walkway. These apartments will be accessed by an elevator. The current building is not ADA accessible. New plumbing, electrical and HVAC systems need to be installed, as well as plaster repaired, painting, and new flooring. The building already has a new roof. Presently the apartments can only be used for storage.

**805-0092 SBVI - Oklahoma Library for the Blind Renovation**  
**Agency Priority 12 Amount \$650,000**

This project will renovate the Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (OLBPH) building in two phases. Phase 1 includes a 5,720 sq. ft. build-out for office space and an adult learning lab, including lighting, ductwork, and sprinkler for renovated areas. The build-out will accommodate moving employees from the Shepherd Center location into the library. Phase 2 includes new handlers, ductwork and diffusers for the library, as well as updating lighting to LED. The current boiler and chiller will remain.

**805-0097 OSD - White Hall and Griffing Hall Remodel**  
**Agency Priority 13 Amount \$2,000,000**

This project will renovate all restrooms in White Hall and renovate all restrooms in Griffing Hall 2nd & 3rd floors. Flooring will be added if funding is available.

**805-0094 OSD - Sports Stadium Improvements**  
**Agency Priority 14 Amount \$1,800,000**

This request is to purchase bleachers and a press box for the OSD football field. Existing bleachers are old, and seats are weathered, wooden and warped planks. There is no press box; the game is announced from a flatbed trailer. This request will increase seating capacity to 312 on the "home" side and establish 108 seating capacity on the "visitors" side. Funding will allow team seating for the players and a press box 8'x18' that will sit in the middle of the home side. We will need to have lights installed in the stadium as well as new goal posts. We are currently renting lights for any night function. The lights will increase our use for other activities on the field. We are needing a track around the field to be utilized for our track team and other sports.

**805-0100 OSD - Swimming Pool**  
**Agency Priority 15 Amount \$1,400,000**

This request is for a very simple swimming pool with lockers for the students.

**805-0099 OSD - Resurface Parking Lots**  
**Agency Priority 16 Amount \$1,000,000**

This request is to resurface parking lots on OSD's campus.



**805-0096 OSD - General Site Work**  
**Agency Priority 17 Amount \$400,000**

General site work is necessary to upgrade OSD's campus and to meet ADA regulations. This funding would allow replacement and repairs to the remaining sidewalks on campus. Existing sidewalks are cracked and raised, causing hazardous conditions for students, staff and visitors.

**805-0026 OSB - New Maintenance and Auto/Carpentry Shop**  
**Agency Priority 18 Amount \$2,830,000**

The current, old building houses the auto shop and the carpentry shop. It is too small to house both. Only one vehicle at a time can be squeezed into the allotted space. Currently our mechanic has to work outside and lie on the ground when working on our school buses and other vehicles. The old building is also located in a high student traffic walking area. The new metal building will be approximately 75' x 100' with a carport attached to the front of the building along the entire 100' length for a 20' x 100' carport.

**805-0101 CPC - Parking Lot Resurfacing**  
**Agency Priority 19 Amount \$62,920**

The Oklahoma City South DRS Field Office, Transition Field Rep office, SVBI Vocational Evaluation OKC testing office, and OKDRS OKC Career Planning Center's (CPC) parking lot is beginning to deteriorate with numerous cracks occurring in the asphalt. Some of the cracks are minor and others are significant, as well as cracks on the asphalt against the curb. The parking lot is estimated to be over 20 years old. Currently with the cracks, someone could catch their shoe and trip or fall suffering serious injury. At night the cracks cannot be seen and are dangerous. Attempts have been made to pour a parking lot repair sealant in the cracks but those are reopening. Some of the problems with the cracks are when rainwater gets in and compromises the integrity of the parking lot, causing more cracks, which loosens the existing asphalt to break up even more. The CPC is requesting funding to provide Sealcoat to the parking lot to protect it and make it last longer, and to stop the ongoing deterioration of the parking lot. This office serves clients for the entire South OKC metro area and hosts clients for vocational and psychological testing from Central Oklahoma as well.

**805-0102 CPC - Work Sample Center**  
**Agency Priority 20 Amount \$160,363**

The OKDRS OKC Career Planning Center has not had the space or room to have work samples related to woodshop, welding, medical services, food services, culinary arts, laundering, or dining room attendants. This handicapped accessible building would provide ample space to provide DRS clients room to be assessed and tested over multiple career options to match clients to jobs based on interests and work sample results, thus helping clients make better career choices. Agency funds would be used to train clients for jobs suited to what they can do, matching aptitudes and interests.

**TOTAL REQUEST \$29,025,283**

# **PERSONNEL ACTIVITY REPORT**

# PERSONNEL ACTIVITY REPORT AS OF MAY 31, 2023

## FILLED AND VACANT POSITIONS

Personnel Activity = 5 vacant positions filled / 77 positions in Announcement or Selection Process

Division	Title/PIN	Date Vacated	Location	Begin date	End date	Ann. #	Action/Incumbent	Date Filled
MSD	Administrative Programs Officer / 1102, 1013	07/01/2018 02/16/2018	MSD CDS	05/31/2023	Continuous	23-092	Currently Open	
MSD	Contracting & Acquisitions Agent / 0858 Human Resources Programs Manager / 0926	12/12/2022	MSD CDS	04/05/2023	04/24/2023	23-057.1	In Selection Process	
MSD		12/01/2022	MSD HR	03/07/2023	Continuous	23-046.1	Currently Open	
FSD	Accountant / 1124	05/30/2023	FSD	05/31/2023	06/19/2023	23-093	Currently Open	
DDS	IS Data Management Analyst / P104439	New PIN	DDS	05/15/2023	05/19/2023			
DDS	IS Applications Specialist, 3808 / 1502	12/02/2021	DDS	05/15/2023	05/19/2023	23-088	In Selection Process	
DDS	Disability Determination Specialist / 0559	10/23/2021	DDS	03/03/2023	03/09/2023	23-074	Tanisha Walker	05/01/2023
DDS	Administrative Programs Officer / 0685	10/31/2022	DDS	12/09/2022	12/19/2022	23-051	In Selection Process	
OSB	Independent Living Instructor / 0164	02/28/2023	OSB	03/10/2023	Continuous	23-072	Traci Davenport	05/01/2023
OSB	Transportation Officer/Student Aide, 5793 / 1084	01/25/2023	OSB	02/09/2023	Continuous	23-070	Currently Open	
OSB	Direct Care Specialist / 0298, 0816, 0235	09/07/2022	OSB	09/29/2022	Continuous	23-027	Currently Open	
OSD	Director of Family and Early Childhood Services, 1445 / 1494	07/31/2023	OSD	05/26/2023	Continuous	23-091	Currently Open	
OSD	Principal, 1854 / 0081	02/01/2010	OSD	04/25/2023	Continuous	23-082	Currently Open	
OSD	Teaching Assistant / 0182	03/30/2023	OSD	04/11/2023	Continuous	23-078	Currently Open	
OSD	Direct Care Specialist / 0778, 0028, 0746	04/21/2023 05/11/2023 07/19/2022	OSD	10/04/2022	Continuous	23-032	Alejandra Medina- Crouch	05/15/2023
OSD	Teacher, 2083 / 0441, 0666	07/30/2023						
OSD	Administrative Assistant / 0353	12/31/2022	OSD	04/13/2023	Continuous	23-079	Currently Open	
OSD		04/27/2023	OSD	04/13/2023	Continuous	23-080	Currently Open	
OSD	Principal, 1854 / 0414	06/14/2019	OSD	04/17/2023	04/21/2023	23-081	In Selection Process	
OSD	Administrative Assistant / 0088	03/01/2023	OSD	03/13/2023	03/30/2023	23-075	Ashley Hines	05/08/2023

OSD	Early Development Specialist, 0095 / 1499	10/31/2022	OSD	04/26/2023	Continuous	23-077	Currently Open
OSD	School Psychologist, 2045 / 0070	12/31/2022	OSD	12/08/2022	Continuous	23-050	Currently Open
OSD	Teacher / 0635	07/31/2022	OSD	07/20/2022	Continuous	23-011	Currently Open
OSD	Teaching Assistant / 0060	06/09/2022	OSD	07/20/2022	Continuous	23-013	Currently Open
OSD	Counselor, 2240 / 1028	08/06/2021	OSD	09/14/2021	Continuous	22-016.1	Currently Open
		04/30/2020					
		08/01/2021					
OSD	Teacher / 0569, 0890, 0423	08/01/2021	OSD	02/09/2021	Continuous	21-046	Currently Open
VR	Behavioral Health Clinician / 0467	04/14/2023	VR23 – OKC	05/02/2023	Continuous	23-083	Currently Open
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0079	04/13/2023	VR23 – OKC	05/01/2023	Continuous	23-085	Currently Open
			VR13 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0821	04/14/2023	McAlester	05/02/2023	Continuous	23-086	Currently Open
VR	Community Recruitment Coordinator, 7513 / P104382	New PIN	VR Admin	04/19/2023	Continuous	23-076	Currently Open
			VR29 –				
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0074	03/01/2023	Edmond	03/06/2023	Continuous	23-066	Currently Open
			VR12 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0119	01/31/2023	Lawton	02/01/2023	Continuous	23-062	Currently Open
			VR81 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0066	01/04/2023	Chickasha	02/14/2023	Continuous	23-063	Currently Open
			VR67 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0049	01/06/2023	Tulsa	02/15/2023	Continuous	23-064	Currently Open
			VR26 –				
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0359	01/17/2023	Claremore	02/06/2023	Continuous	23-065	Currently Open
			VR29 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0393	12/31/2022	Edmond	02/14/2023	Continuous	23-067	Currently Open
			VR97 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0344	12/31/2022	Guymon	02/14/2023	Continuous	23-069	Currently Open
			VR42 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0150	1/31/2023	Poteau	02/23/2023	Continuous	23-071	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0767	01/07/2023	VR86 – Ada	01/25/2023	Continuous	23/058	Currently Open
			VR66 –				
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 1031	09/01/2022	Tulsa	11/07/2022	Continuous	23-029	Currently Open
			VR80 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0955, 0516	10/31/2022	Tulsa	11/03/2022	Continuous	23-037	Currently Open
		10/19/2022	VR41 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0646	08/01/2022	Ponca City	11/21/2022	Continuous	23-038	Currently Open
			VR03 –				
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0680	10/01/2022	Ardmore	11/14/2022	Continuous	23-039	Currently Open

VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0948	11/08/2022	VR05 – Weatherford	11/16/2022	Continuous	23-040	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0477	10/01/2022	VR18 – Muskogee	11/23/2022	Continuous	23-041	Currently Open
VR	Business Services Liaison / 0814	07/22/2022	VR86 – Ada	10/26/2022	Continuous	23-035	Currently Open
VR	Job Placement Specialist / 0372	06/01/2022	VR08 – Enid	10/25/2022	Continuous	23-036	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0366	08/31/2022	VR31 – OKC	09/01/2022	Continuous	23-019	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0776	07/15/2022	VR86 – Ada	09/06/2022	Continuous	23-021	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 1078	08/01/2022	VR07 – Durant	09/06/2022	Continuous	23-022	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0073	06/20/2022	VR13 – McAlester	07/08/2022	Continuous	23-003	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0325, 0904	06/17/2022	VR80 – Tulsa	07/20/2022	Continuous	23-008	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0044	04/09/2022	VR67 – Tulsa	06/09/2022	Continuous	22-102	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0793	07/26/2022	VR05 – Weatherford	06/13/2022	Continuous	22-105	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0339	05/01/2022	VR56 – Woodward	05/04/2022	Continuous	22-085	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0846	05/05/2022	VR19 – OKC	05/10/2022	Continuous	22-089	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0381	04/04/2022	VR04 – Bartlesville	04/06/2022	Continuous	22-072	Currently Open
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0440	03/16/2022	VR38 – Okmulgee	04/18/2022	Continuous	22-079	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0752	11/01/2021	VR80 – Tulsa	01/11/2022	Continuous	21-054.1	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0567	09/01/2020	VR67 – Tulsa	12/22/2020	Continuous	21-028.1	Currently Open
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0627	07/08/2020	VR18 – Muskogee	08/18/2021	Continuous	21-007.2	Currently Open
SBVI	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0094	05/08/2023	SBVI59 – Enid	05/23/2023	Continuous	23-084	Currently Open
SBVI	Vending Facility Business Consultant / 0170, 0134	06/01/2022 09/23/2022	SBVI 33 – OKC	01/04/2023	Continuous	23-054	Currently Open
SBVI	Vending Machine Technician / 0805, 1027	11/21/2020 01/01/2021	SBVI 33 – OKC	01/11/2023	Continuous	23-056	Currently Open
SBVI	BEP Operations Coordinator / 1209	03/26/2022	SBVI33 – OKC	05/03/2022	Continuous	22-084	Currently Open

SBVI	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 1033	05/20/2022	SBVI73 – OKC	05/31/2022	Continuous	22-097	Currently Open
SBVI	Assistive Technology Specialist / 0091	07/01/2020	SBVI – TBD	03/14/2022	Continuous	22-066	Currently Open
SBVI	Vending Operations Manager / 1486	11/20/2021	SBVI 33 – OKC	05/10/2022	Continuous	22-067.1	Currently Open
SBVI	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0709	02/08/2022	SBVI 84 – McAlester	04/29/2022	Continuous	22-058.1	Currently Open
SBVI	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0669	05/29/2021	SBVI 69 – Weatherford	01/26/2022	Continuous	21-080.5	Currently Open
SBVI	Vending Machine Technician / 0167	02/20/2020	SBVI 33 – BEP	08/31/2020	Continuous	21-014	Currently Open

**DISCHARGES/RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS = 8**

**As of May 31, 2023**

**SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION (Executive/MSD/FSD)**

Trial Period Discharge = 1

1 = 3 years 11 months

**DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION**

Resignation = 1

1 = 1 year 11 months

Retirement = 1

1 = 34 years 5 months

**SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED DIVISION**

Resignation = 1

1 = 8 years

Discharge = 1

1 = 4 years 10 months

**OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND**

**OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF**

Trial Period Discharge = 1

1 = 11 months

**DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES**

Resignation = 2

1 = 1 month

1 = 6 years 10 months



# CURRENT FTE STATUS FY 2023

FTE as of May 31, 2023

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>BUDGETED FTE</u>	<u>FILLED</u>	<u>PENDING</u>	<u>EXEMPT FTE</u>	<u>TOTAL FILLED PLUS PENDING MINUS EXEMPT FTE</u>
Support Services (Executive/MSD/FSD)	74.8	71.00	5.00	(1.00)	75.00
Vocational Rehabilitation	226.8	180.00	37.00	(4.00)	213.00
Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired	108.00	89.00	11.00	(3.00)	97.00
VR/SBVI-DP	2.00	2.00	0.00	(0.00)	2.00
Oklahoma School for the Blind	98.0	96.00	4.00	0.00	100.00
Oklahoma School for the Deaf	119.5	110.00	17.00	0.00	127.00
<b>Total (NON-EXEMPT)</b>	<b>629.1</b>	<b>548.00</b>	<b>74.00</b>	<b>(8.00)</b>	<b>614.00</b>
Disability Determination Services (EXEMPT)	367.8	330.00	3.00	(330.00)	333.00
<b>TOTAL NON-EXEMPT &amp; EXEMPT</b>	<b>996.9</b>	<b>878.00</b>	<b>77.00</b>	<b>(338.00)</b>	<b>947.00</b>
<b>FY 23 Budgetary Limit = 1255</b>					

**\* Authorized agency FTE limit does not include Executive Fellow and SWIP appointments**

ROUTING TO: Melinda Fruendt, Director  
 Kevin Statham, Chief Financial Officer  
 Randy Weaver, Chief of Operations  
 Tom Patt, Human Resources Program Director  
 Dana Tallon, Public Information Manager II  
 Carol Brown, Executive Assistant  
 Rosemarie Chitwood, Secretary V  
 Brett Jones, Public Information Officer III

# **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

**6/12/23 – DRS Commission Legislative Report**  
**by Jennifer Hardin**

- Bills Filed for 2023 Legislative Session - 3,772
  
- 6/5/23 – At the time this report was submitted 290 bills were signed and 63 were pending action from the Governor.
  
- Vetoed Bills - 46 (See Attached Report).
  - \*19 bills received overrides
  
- 5/16/23 – House & Senate called for a special session to finish the state budget.
  - \*52/54 budget bills filed became law without signature.
  - \*2 vetoed
  
- DRS received an 8.2% increase to the budget (See HB1004 from Special Session).



# OKLAHOMA Rehabilitation Services

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## DRS Request Bills

[HB 1041](#)

[Randleman, Randy\(R\)](#)  
[Stanley, Brenda\(R\)](#)

Establishes standards and requirements for students to graduate school with alternative diploma program; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 04-19-23 G Signed by the Governor  
04-21-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023

## Direct DRS Impact Bills

[HB 1794](#)

[Osburn, Mike\(R\)](#)  
[Pugh, Adam\(R\)](#)

Specifies the responsibilities of the Human Capital Management Administrator within the Civil Service and Human Capital Modernization Act.

**Bill History:** 04-25-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-01-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 134)  
05-10-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023



[HB2312](#) [Hilbert, Kyle\(R\)](#)  
[Gollihare, Todd \(F\)\(R\)](#)

Allows surviving spouses of disabled veterans to claim state sales tax exemptions even if the final determination of eligibility is not made until after the death of the qualified veteran; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-26-23 S Emergency Passed ([Vote Y: 44/N: 0](#))  
05-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
06-07-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 344)



[HB2411](#) [Kannady, Chris\(R\)](#)  
[Brooks, Michael\(D\)](#)

Expands the qualifying certifications and standards for persons to become official legal interpreters.

**Bill History:** 04-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-02-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 179)  
05-10-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

- [SB 621](#) [Pugh, Adam\(R\)](#)  
[Hill, Brian\(R\)](#)

Creates an Oklahoma Workforce Commission to coordinate programs and funds for workforce development in the state.

**Bill History:** 05-26-23 H Emergency failed ([Vote Y: 58/N: 29](#))  
05-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
06-07-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 361)

**Education Bills**

- [HB1441](#) [Provenzano, Melissa\(D\)](#)  
[Pugh, Adam\(R\)](#)

Adjusts the timing and frequency of certain mandatory training and professional development courses for school teachers; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 04-18-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-19-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 15)  
04-21-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023

- [HB 1934](#) [McCall, Charles\(R\)](#)  
[Treat, Greg\(R\)](#)

Creates the Parental Choice Tax Credit Act which establishes an income tax credit for certain qualifying private school and alternative education expenses.

**Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 278)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 08/24/23

- [HB 2180](#) [Lowe, Dick\(R\)](#)  
[Thompson, Kristen \(F\)\(R\)](#)

Declares that students enrolled in virtual charter school alternative education programs who attend full abbreviated school days count towards full attendance and average daily membership, and allows certain truancy waivers.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S Senate finally passed conference bill ([Vote Y: 39/N: 0](#))  
05-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
06-07-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 342)

- [HB 2559](#) [McBride, Mark\(R\)](#)  
[Pemberton, Dewayne\(R\)](#)

Expands eligible participants in the Inspired to Teach scholarship program for prospective teachers to include those who have completed the GED and homeschooled students and adjusts certain hour requirement restrictions.

**Bill History:** 05-11-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-15-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 249)  
05-17-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

- [HB 2901](#) [Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#)  
[Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#)

Makes appropriations to the Board of Education and the School Building Equalization Fund and requires new baseline levels be maintained for Parental Choice Tax Credit funds to be available; EMERGENCY.

- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 279)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [HB 2902](#) [Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#)  
[Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#) Adjusts various weights and calculations for school State Aid Formula to increase poverty and transportation weights and the baseline for the small school district formula; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 280)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [HB 2903](#) [Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#)  
[Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#) Directs the Dept. of Education to establish and maintain a three-year School Resource Officer pilot program for school security and establishes a related fund; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 281)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [HB 2904](#) [Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#)  
[Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#) Makes an appropriation to the School Security Revolving Fund; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 282)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [SB 100](#) [Pemberton, Dewayne\(R\)](#)  
[Lowe, Dick\(R\)](#) Requires all school districts to undergo a risk and vulnerability assessment conducted by the School Security Institute every five years and ties related grant money to the recommendations of such assessments; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-22-23 H Emergency Passed ([Vote Y: 94/N: 0](#))  
05-23-23 G Sent to the Governor  
06-06-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 325)
- [SB 322](#) [Seifried, Ally \(F\)\(R\)](#)  
[West, Tammy\(R\)](#) Clarifies certain rules related to the sharing of digital or online library database resources between school districts, charter schools, state agencies, public libraries, or institutions of higher education within the State; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Emergency Passed ([Vote Y: 96/N: 0](#))  
05-25-23 H Rep. McBride removed as sponsor, replaced by Rep. T. West  
05-25-23 G Sent to the Governor
- [SB 467](#) [Stanley, Brenda\(R\)](#)  
[Miller, Nicole\(R\)](#) Creates the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact Act to facilitate license equivalency and reciprocity between member states and their respective licensing authorities with the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact Commission; EMERGENCY.

- Bill History:** 04-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-02-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 194)  
05-10-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [SB 516](#) [Pugh, Adam\(R\)](#)  
[Echols, Jon\(R\)](#) Abolishes the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board, creating the Statewide Charter School Board with definitions, duties, and a revolving fund, exempts such schools from certain rules and statutory requirements.
- Bill History:** 05-25-23 H House finally passed conference bill ([Vote Y: 68/N: 27](#))  
05-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
06-05-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 323)
- [SB 630](#) [Montgomery, John\(R\)](#)  
[Lepak, Mark\(R\)](#) Updates certain provisions of state retirement systems to maintain compliance with federal regulations; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 04-25-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-01-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 151)  
05-08-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 05/01/2023
- [SB 1118](#) [Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#)  
[Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#) Makes an appropriation to the Dept. of Education to establish a three-year pilot program for literacy instructional team programs meeting certain standards for public school districts; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 288)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [SB 1119](#) [Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#)  
[Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#) Provides for an increase to the minimum salary schedule for certified school teachers; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 289)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [SB 1120](#) [Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#)  
[Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#) Adjusts procedures to modify redbud school grants based on certain revenue levels, establishes procedures for shortfalls and removes certain apportionments to the School Building Equalization Fund; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 290)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023
- [SB 1121](#) [Thompson, Roger\(R\)](#)  
[Wallace, Kevin\(R\)](#) Provides for six weeks of paid maternity leave to qualifying educational personnel; EMERGENCY.
- Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 291)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023

<b>General Government Bills</b>
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[HB 1736](#) [Townley, Tammy\(R\)](#)  
[Stanley, Brenda\(R\)](#)

Establishes exceptions, provides new definitions and procedures, as well as requirements of step therapy protocols offered by health benefit plans.

**Bill History:** 04-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-21-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 44)  
05-08-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

[HB 2461](#) [Hill, Brian\(R\)](#)  
[Paxton, Lonnie\(R\)](#)

Creates the Oklahoma Capitol Critical Infrastructure Act which declares the State Capitol Complex as critical infrastructure; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 04-20-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-26-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 75)  
05-01-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 04/26/2023

[HB 2463](#) [Hill, Brian\(R\)](#)  
[Thompson, Kristen \(F\)\(R\)](#)

Removes requirements that OCAST establish certain programs and make health research program evaluations, making such actions permissive rather than required.

**Bill History:** 04-20-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-26-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 76)  
05-01-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

[SB 254](#) [Garvin, Jessica \(F\)\(R\)](#)  
[Boatman, Jeff\(R\)](#)

Requires insurers to charge no more for out-of-network care than they would for in-network care in cases where the insured is unable to obtain covered services in a timely manner.

**Bill History:** 05-19-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-25-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 284)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

[SB 447](#) [Montgomery, John\(R\)](#)  
[Lepak, Mark\(R\)](#)

States that in the event of an error in payment for employer contributions to the Public Employees Retirement system occurs for terminated employees, payments to rectify errors will not reinstate the former employee in the System.

**Bill History:** 04-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-02-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 192)  
05-10-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

[SB 630](#) [Montgomery, John\(R\)](#)  
[Lepak, Mark\(R\)](#)

Updates certain provisions of state retirement systems to maintain compliance with federal regulations; EMERGENCY.



**Bill History:** 04-25-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-01-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 151)  
05-08-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 05/01/2023

### OMES Bills

[HB 2026](#)

[Wolfley, Max\(R\)](#)  
[Pemberton, Dewayne\(R\)](#)

Requires the Office of Management and Enterprise Services to provide an association representing state employees with a monthly reconciliation report with information related to opted in members.

**Bill History:** 04-27-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-02-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 167)  
05-12-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

### Workforce Dev. Bills

[SB 621](#)

[Pugh, Adam\(R\)](#)  
[Hill, Brian\(R\)](#)

Creates an Oklahoma Workforce Commission to coordinate programs and funds for workforce development in the state.

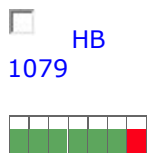
**Bill History:** 05-26-23 H Emergency failed ([Vote Y: 58/N: 29](#))  
05-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
06-07-23 G Signed by the Governor (Chap: 361)



# OKLAHOMA Rehabilitation Services

## '23 Veto's & Overrides from Regular Session

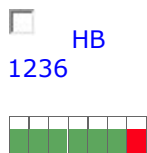
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Luttrell, Ken(R)  
Coleman, Bill(R)

Requires courier application services to have agreements with restaurants in order to transport their food for delivery and allows the restaurants to file complaints with the Corporation Commission for services which are out of compliance.

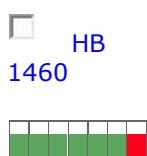
**Bill History:** 04-26-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-02-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: the government would be given the ability to further regulate private industry, thereby growing bureaucracy and interfering with the free market.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules



McCall, Charles(R)  
McCortney, Greg(R)

Adjusts money awarded to claimants under the Citizens Participation Act to only include direct court costs and attorney fees for dismissed actions.

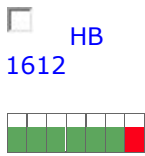
**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto ([Vote Y: 36/N: 61](#))  
05-25-23 H Veto Override Motion fails of Adoption  
05-30-23 H Dormant pursuant to the rules



Patzkowsky, Kenton(R)  
Howard, Brent(R)

Removes provisions establishing a specific fee on wheat marketed in the state and directs the Wheat Association to assess such fees.

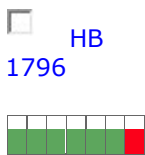
**Bill History:** 04-18-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-21-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: "...included improper language that has been corrected in Engrossed SB 488, which I plan to sign once it is enrolled and presented to me."  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules



Worthen, Rande(R)  
Paxton, Lonnie(R)

Adds the crime of shooting, or any attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation thereof, into a building used for public or business purposes to the list of crimes that require convicted persons to serve a minimum of 85 percent of the sentence.

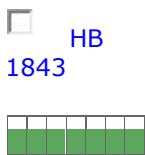
**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H The House moves that HB 1612 become law notwithstanding the Governor's veto  
05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto ([Vote Y: 68/N: 22](#))  
05-30-23 H Dormant pursuant to the rules



Osburn, Mike(R)  
Seifried, Ally (F)(R)

Authorizes the Dept. of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to enter into agreements to serve as a vendor with public sector employers wishing to offer employment assistance programs and services.

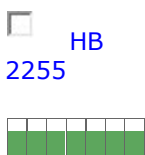
**Bill History:** 04-25-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-01-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: ...made it to my desk despite a consequential drafting error.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules



Kerbs, Dell(R)  
McCortney, Greg(R)

Places the responsibility for certain oversight of pharmacy benefit managers with the Attorney General rather than the Insurance Dept.

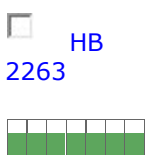
**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto ([Vote Y: 37/N: 7](#))  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 293)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023



Burns, Ty(R)  
Haste, John(R)

Creates various special license plates.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto ([Vote Y: 38/N: 6](#))  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 294)  
05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023



Sterling, Danny(R)  
Rogers, Cody (F)(R)

Adjusts the membership of the Turnpike Authority to direct that two members be appointed by the Governor, two by the Speaker of the House and two by the Senate

President Pro Tempore and sets voting standards for conflicts of interest.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto ([Vote Y: 39/N: 5](#))

05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 295)

05-30-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

HB  
2608

Humphrey, Justin J.J.(R)  
Bullard, David(R)



Requires registered sex offenders to identify themselves to local tribal law enforcement within designated areas under the jurisdiction of such entities in addition to state authorities within a certain time limit.

**Bill History:** 04-20-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-26-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: I stand ready to to engage in good faith discussions about..add'l sex offender registration. HB 2608 simply goes too far and creates ambiguities.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules

HB  
2661

Maynard, Cody (F)(R)  
Bergstrom, Micheal(R)



Sunsets the carry over of certain leave for public employees accrued during the declared emergency relating to COVID-19 by 2024.

**Bill History:** 04-25-23 G This bill was originally listed as having been Signed by the Governor, but was, in fact, vetoed.

04-25-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: Continuing to permit the carry-over of pandemic related leave would negatively impact taxpayers and create a continuing fiscal burden on state agencies.

05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules

HB  
2819

Kendrix, Gerrid(R)  
Bergstrom, Micheal(R)



Extends the sunset of the Advisory Council on Indian Education.

**Bill History:** 04-20-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-26-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: The sunseting of this council is an appropriate opportunity to shrink government.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules

HB  
2820

Kendrix, Gerrid(R)  
Bergstrom, Micheal(R)




Extends the sunset of the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto ([Vote Y: 38/N: 6](#))

05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 296)

05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 08/24/2023

HB  
2863




Wallace, Kevin(R)  
Kidd, Chris(R)

Creates the Oklahoma State University Veterinary Medicine Authority Act which establishes a framework for the operation and oversight of OSU's veterinary medicine authority; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 43/N: 0)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 297)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023

SB 34




Hall, Chuck(R)  
Duel, Collin (F)(R)

Updates certain references in statute related to youth access to tobacco and the ABLE Commission.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 34 become law The Veto of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 0)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 58




Daniels, Julie(R)  
Kendrix, Gerrid(R)

Extends the sunset of the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Commercial Interior Designers; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 58 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 0)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 60




Daniels, Julie(R)  
Kendrix, Gerrid(R)

Extends the sunset of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 60 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 0)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 123



Gollihare, Todd (F)(R)  
Humphrey, Justin J.J.(R)

Reduces standards for parole consideration for persons in the custody of the Dept. of Corrections to only require the inmate have a full year without any class X infractions.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 123 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 0)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 125

Daniels, Julie(R)  
Worthen, Rande(R)

Requires law library board of trustees to meet quarterly rather than monthly; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:**

05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 125 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 0)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 162

Daniels, Julie(R)  
Kendrix, Gerrid(R)

Extends the sunset of the Board of Examiners of Psychologists; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:**

05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 162 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 0)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 249

McCortney, Greg(R)  
Caldwell, Chad(R)

Adjusts provisions related to illegal drugs to include a definition of palliative care and exempts such care from certain electronic prescription requirements; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:**

05-26-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 93/N: 0)  
05-26-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 304)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 05/26/2023



SB 267

Seifried, Ally (F)(R)  
Boatman, Jeff(R)

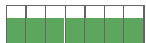
Adjusts the membership of the Advancement of Wellness Advisory Council to add three members.

**Bill History:**

05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 267 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 43/N: 3)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 291

Murdock, Casey(R)  
Newton, Carl(R)

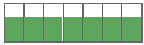
Permits victims of child abuse to file or have filed for them a petition for an emergency order or ex parte order under the Protection for Domestic Abuse Act.

**Bill History:**

05-26-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 93/N: 0)  
05-26-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 305)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023



SB 299

Thompson, Roger(R)  
Vancuren, Mark(R)

Extends the sunset of the Advisory Council on Indian Education and adjusts the appointment of members to grant the Legislature nine appointments and sets standards for filling vacancies; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 83/N: 12)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 306)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023



SB 369

Garvin, Jessica (F)(R)  
McEntire, Marcus(R)

Expands disqualifying criminal circumstances for prospective nurse aides, reduces the disqualifying period following a conviction of certain lesser crimes from seven years to five years.

**Companions:** SB 1436 (Refiled from 58R Session)

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 369 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 42/N: 3)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 395

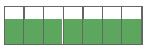
Haste, John(R)  
Miller, Nicole(R)

Creates an income tax refund donation check-off for Recovering Oklahomans After Disaster.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 395 become law. The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 42/N: 2)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 429

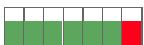
Montgomery, John(R)  
Caldwell, Trey(R)

Allows public, charter, and technology center school students to wear tribal regalia during graduation ceremonies; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 80/N: 11)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 307)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023



SB 479

Stanley, Brenda(R)  
West, Josh(R)

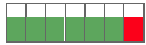
Updates the Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act to include members of the U.S. Space Force and adjusts definitions of Uniformed-service voter to match.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 479 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 0)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 534

Rosino, Paul(R)  
West, Tammy(R)



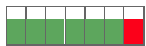
Changes the maximum adjusted gross income to 300 percent of the federal poverty level for the purpose of qualifying for assistance for a child that is severely developmentally disabled; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 04-20-23 G Sent to the Governor  
04-26-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: I will continue to veto any and all legislation authored by Senators who have not stood with the people of Oklahoma and supported this [tax credit] plan.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 535

Rosino, Paul(R)  
McEntire, Marcus(R)



Creates the Oklahoma Community Health Worker Act, which establishes a certificate program for community health workers.

**Bill History:** 05-01-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-05-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: We should let private employers decide whether to employ CHWs rather than expand government.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 563

Haste, John(R)  
McEntire, Marcus(R)



Includes that anesthesia is to continue to be reimbursed equal to or greater than the established Fee Schedule, with value-based payment arrangements possible for services furnished to Medicaid members; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 91/N: 5)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 308)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 05/25/2023



SB 580

Hall, Chuck(R)  
Wallace, Kevin(R)



Relates to the Housing Authority Act by sunsetting provisions of the definition of "area of operation" for an authority of a city or county on December 31, 2026; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 04-26-23 Laid out for consideration in the Senate 3:17pm  
04-26-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 43/N: 5)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 617

Paxton, Lonnie(R)  
Moore, Anthony(R)



Clarifies that legal action against limited liability companies may be brought in the county in which it is situated, has its principal office or in which any of the members, managers or principal officers reside.

**Bill History:** 05-26-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 94/N: 0)  
05-26-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 309)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023





SB 623

Hall, Chuck(R)  
Kerbs, Dell(R)



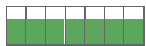
Adjusts various powers and duties related to motor vehicle licensure to refer to Service Oklahoma rather than DPS or the Tax Commission, creates a Petty Cash Fund for Service Oklahoma and adjusts certain vehicle license durations; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 87/N: 4)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 310)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 07/01/2023



SB 711

Rosino, Paul(R)  
Boatman, Jeff(R)



Directs the Dept. of Mental Health to provide opioid antagonists to the Dept. of Corrections and to county jails to be provided to inmates with a known opioid addiction or related condition upon release.

**Bill History:** 05-26-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 76/N: 0)  
05-26-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 311)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023



SB 712

Rosino, Paul(R)  
McEntire, Marcus(R)



Directs the Dept. of Mental Health to provide hospitals with opioid antagonists to be given to persons presenting to emergency departments with the symptoms of an opioid overdose or related disorder upon discharge from the hospital.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 93/N: 0)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 312)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023



SB 715

Floyd, Kay(D)  
Lawson, Mark(R)



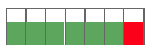
Requires public bodies keeping requested records confidential provide notice to the requestor and allows the requestor to file an action to have a court rule on the release of the records.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 715 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 44/N: 1)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 748

Rosino, Paul(R)  
Bashore, Steve(R)



Requires the Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to designate a physician to issue a statewide order for emergency opioid antagonists so that they may be distributed, possessed, and stored; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 04-25-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-01-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: Since the standing order this bill would have authorized was statutorily set to expire upon FDA approval...this

bill is unnecessary.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 772 Daniels, Julie(R)  
Boatman, Jeff(R)



Establishes notification requirements for certain charitable organizations to report actions such as dissolution, merger, changes to tax status, changes to governing documents, or large asset transfers in advance to the Attorney General.

**Bill History:** 05-26-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 70/N: 18)  
05-26-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 313)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

SB 775 Stewart, Jack (F)(R)  
Cantrell, Josh (F)(R)



Grants counties greater discretion in choosing continuing education programs for county employees as well as which employees qualify for said programs.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 94/N: 0)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 314)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

SB 840 McCortney, Greg(R)  
Echols, Jon(R)



Modifies provisions of the Student Athlete Name, Image and Likeness Rights Act relating to compensation for student athletes, prohibits institutions and associations from penalizing athletes that seek such compensation; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 83/N: 7)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 315)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 05/25/2023

SB 841 Paxton, Lonnie(R)  
Sims, Lonnie(R)



Imposes limitations on the fees certain repair facilities can charge for the storage and after-hours release of nonconsensually towed vehicles.

**Bill History:** 05-26-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 94/N: 0)  
05-26-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 316)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 11/01/2023

SB 889 Jech, Darcy(R)  
Archer, Nick (F)(R)



Amends the Oklahoma Milk and Milk Products Act to expand regulatory coverage to other hoofed mammals and raises certain fees.

**Bill History:** 05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 889 become law The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote

Y: 41/N: 4)

05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 922

Stephens, Blake (F)(R)  
Cornwell, Rusty(R)



Creates the Oklahoma Hunters First Act, requiring a certain percentage of tags issued by the Wildlife Conservation Commission for specific game to go to Oklahoma residents each year.

**Bill History:**

05-01-23 G Sent to the Governor  
05-05-23 G Vetoed by the Governor: this bill is really a solution in search of a problem...imprudent because it would likely put a damper on tourism...this bill don't hunt.  
05-30-23 G Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB 951

Kidd, Chris(R)  
Humphrey, Justin J.J.(R)



Raises travel reimbursement allowances for certain county officers and authorizes a modest increase of such each fiscal year; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:**

05-25-23 H Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 88/N: 6)  
05-25-23 G To Secretary of State without Signature (Chap: 317)  
05-31-23 G Earliest Effective Date: 05/25/2023



SB 976

Murdock, Casey(R)  
Newton, Carl(R)



Creates the Invasive Species Task Force to study and make recommendations of appropriate measures to combat and slow the spread of invasive species, details composition, and report requirements.

**Bill History:**

05-25-23 S The Senate moves that SB 976 become law. The objection of the Governor notwithstanding  
05-25-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 43/N: 2)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules



SB  
1130

Thompson, Roger(R)  
Wallace, Kevin(R)



Makes an appropriation to the Health Care Authority's CMIA Programs Disbursing Fund to be utilized for specific purposes; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:**

04-19-23 S Senator Thompson moves that the bill become law, the Governor's objection notwithstanding.  
04-19-23 S Override of the Governor's veto (Vote Y: 45/N: 2)  
05-30-23 S Dormant pursuant to the rules

	All	Track
<b>Total Bills:</b>	46	3

# **SUCCESS STORY**



**OKLAHOMA  
Rehabilitation  
Services**

## Client Success story

### Client Name

Emeka Nnaka

### Hometown

Tulsa

### Their story

Emeka Nnaka's life changed on an Arkansas football field in 2009.

The 6-foot, 5-inch Georgia native, originally arrived in Tulsa for college, but when he failed to gain traction in school, he began playing pro football for the Oklahoma Thunder as a defensive end and linebacker.

"That was going well until it wasn't," Nnaka said. "I had an accident on the football field. I broke my neck, and it left me paralyzed."

Nnaka visited Langston University in Tulsa in April 2012, which led him to have a conversation with a professor there, who advised him to return to the classroom. He called DRS and spoke to a counselor.

That fall, he was enrolled at both Tulsa Community College and at Langston University. DRS paid for his school, his books and provided him an iPad to assist in his coursework.

He completed his bachelor's degree in rehabilitation counseling at Langston and earned his master's degree from OU in human relations with a focus in clinical mental health counseling.

"I remember telling my counselor, 'I promise, if you invest in me, I will make it count. Every single day now, I am making it count,'" he said.



DRS also assisted him in getting the training he needed to drive again.

Nnaka now works as a mental health therapist and motivational speaker.

"The life that I live now is one - I am very thankful for," Nnaka said. "Getting connected to vocational rehabilitation was the best thing to ever happen to me."

## DRS staff who helped change a client's life

Programs Manager Valyncia Wilson



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**OKLAHOMA  
LIBRARY FOR  
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PHYSICALLY  
HANDICAPPED  
DONATION REPORT**

**OLBPH Donation Report  
May 2023**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Cash</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Property</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Cash Donations (Under \$500)</b>					
<b>Subtotal of Cash (Under \$500)</b>					
<b>Material Donations (Under \$500)</b>					
17-Feb-23 (backordered, received in May)	OLBPH Friends Group Oklahomans for Special Library Services (OSLS)			Belkin Power Strip Surge Protectors (3)	\$68.44
18-May 23	OSLS			Summer Reading Start-up Supplies	\$184.38
<b>Subtotal of Materials (Under \$500)</b>		<b>\$252.82</b>			
<b>Material Donations (Over \$500)</b>					
19-Apr 23 (tree planted 31-May 23)	OSLS			Memorial OK Red Bud Tree and Planting	\$561.80
<b>Subtotal of Materials (Over \$500)</b>		<b>\$561.80</b>			
<b>TOTAL DONATION AMOUNT</b>		<b>\$814.62</b>			

**OKLAHOMA SCHOOL  
FOR THE BLIND  
MONTHLY  
DONATION  
REPORT**



# OSB DONATION REPORT

## May 2023 Donations

Donations under \$500		Name	Cash	Fund	Property	Value
Date						
5/4/2023	First Baptist Church Ft. Gibson/Graduate gift cards		\$ 480.00	701		
<b>Subtotal of Cash (under \$500) donated in May 2023</b>			<b>\$ 480.00</b>		<b>Subtotal prop.</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Donations \$500 and over</b>						
5/4/2023	ESA Int'l OK State Council / misc. projects		\$ -			
			\$ 506.00			
<b>Subtotal of Cash (\$500 and over) donated in May 2023</b>			<b>\$ 506.00</b>		<b>Subtotal prop.</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL DONATION AMOUNTS May - 2023</b>			<b>\$986.00</b>			

**OKLAHOMA SCHOOL  
FOR THE DEAF  
MONTHLY  
DONATION  
REPORT**

# OSD Donation Report

May 2023

Date	Name	Cash	Fund	Explanation	Property Value
<b>Donations Under \$500.00</b>					
5/1	Boom -A-Rang Diner			Breakfast certificates for staff	433.38
	<b>Subtotal Cash Under \$500.00</b>			<b>Subtotal Property Under \$500.00</b>	<b>433.38</b>
<b>Donations Over \$500.00</b>					
5/1	ESA State Council	594.00	70100	Sorority Misc Projects	
	<b>Subtotal Cash Combined</b>	<b>594.00</b>		<b>Subtotal Property Combined</b>	<b>433.38</b>
<b>Total donation for May 2023</b>		<b>\$1,027.33</b>			