

# An Act

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 293

By: Simpson of the Senate

and

Ownbey of the House

An Act relating to public assistance and benefits; providing for certain consideration of application to Department of Human Services or Oklahoma Health Care Authority under certain circumstances; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Application for benefits by active duty members of the United States Armed Forces

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 166.2 of Title 56, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

If a person who is on active duty with the United States Armed Forces makes an application to the Department of Human Services to receive any type of state or federal assistance, either for himself or herself or for an immediate family member, and the person has previously made the same or a substantially similar application in another state which was pending at the time the person became a resident of this state, the Department shall consider the application as if it had been made in this state at the time it was originally made in the other state.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5018.1 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

If a person who is on active duty with the United States Armed Forces makes an application to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to receive any type of benefits, either for himself or herself or for an immediate family member, and the person has previously made the same or a substantially similar application in another state which was pending at the time the person became a resident of this state, the Authority shall consider the application as if it had been made in this state at the time it was originally made in the other state.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

Passed the Senate the 24th day of February, 2015.

Jon Murford  
Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 8th day of April, 2015.

John D. Jones  
Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 9<sup>th</sup>  
day of April, 20 15, at 11:16 o'clock A M.  
By: Audrey Rockwell

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of April, 20 15, at 3:26 o'clock P M.

Mary Fallin  
Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of April, 20 15, at 4:07 o'clock P M.  
By: Ch. Benz