

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature

First Session of the Fifty-Fifth Legislature



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November 15th - 19th, 2023
Oklahoma City, OK

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Tentative Schedule of Events

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NOTE: *Highlighted events require an Activity Pass

Last Updated: 11/10/23, 11:00 pm

Wednesday, November 15th

Time	Activity	Location
1:30 – 3:00 pm	Registration Check-In (Delegation Chairs)	Hotel, Conference Room
3:00 – 3:30 pm	Press Corps Orientation (All Press Competitors)	Hotel, Conference Room
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Moot Court Orientation (All Moot Competitors)	Hotel, Conference Room
5:00 – 5:30 pm	House Orientation (All House Members)	Capitol, Rm 535 (SAR)
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Senate Orientation (All Senators)	Capitol, Senate Chambers
5:30 – 6:30 pm	Opening Joint Session	Capitol, Rm 535 (SAR)
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Moot Court Practice Rounds	Capitol, Courtroom
6:30 – 9:00 pm	Legislative Committee Meetings	Capitol

Thursday, November 16th

Time	Activity	Location
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Committee Meetings/General Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Sen. Chambers
8:45 am – 12:00 pm	Moot Court Practice Rounds	Capitol, Press Room
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Retention Elections	Capitol, Health Nut Cafe
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch Law School Panel	Capitol, 2nd Floor Rotunda
1:00 – 4:00 pm	Retention Elections	Capitol, Health Nut Cafe
1:00 – 6:00 pm	Moot Court Practice Rounds	Capitol, Courtroom
1:00 – 1:30 pm	Delegation Resources Videos (House)	Capitol, Sen. Chambers
1:30 – 2:00 pm	Delegation Resources Videos (Senate)	Capitol, Sen. Chambers
2:00 – 5:30 pm	Legislative Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Sen. Chambers
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Press Corps Meeting	Capitol, Press Room
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Governor's Gala	Capitol Event Center

Friday, November 17th

Time	Activity	Location
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Legislative General Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Moot Court Session	Capitol, Courtroom
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch / 5 Star Lunch	*TBD
1:00 – 7:30 pm	Moot Court Session	Capitol, Courtroom
1:00 – 9:00 pm	General Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
8:30 – 9:00 pm	Press Corps Meeting	Capitol, Press Room
10:00 - 11:30 pm	Activity Pass Event: Pizza Social	*TBD

Saturday, November 18th

Time	Activity	Location
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Legislative Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Moot Court Session	Capitol, Courtroom
12:00 – 1:00 pm	*Act. Pass Lunch: Chick-Fil-A	Capitol, Health Nut Cafe
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Moot Court Session	Capitol, Courtroom
1:00 – 9:00 pm	Legislative General Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Delegation Resourced Videos (Court)	Capitol, Courtroom
6:00 – 7:00 pm	Cabinet Meeting	Capitol, Exec Room
7:30 – 8:30 pm	Executive Branch Press Conference	Capitol, Courtroom
8:30 – 9:00 pm	Press Corps Meeting	Capitol, Press Room

Sunday, November 19th

Time	Activity	Location
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Legislative Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Moot Court Final Rounds	Capitol, Courtroom
10:30 am – 11:00 pm	Appropriations Committee	Capitol, Exec Room
12:00 – 1:00 pm	*Act. Pass Lunch: Panda Express	Capitol, Health Nut Cafe
1:00 – 2:00 pm	Moot Court Final Rounds	Capitol, Courtroom
1:00 – 4:00 pm	Legislative Session Wrap-Up	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Leadership Headshots	Capitol, 4th Floor Rotunda
4:00 – 6:30 pm	Closing Joint Session	Capitol, Room 535 (SAR)

Statewide Requirements

Time	Task/Requirement	Officer
Wednesday Night	Adkins, Wadley, and Pratt Confirmations	Senate Judiciary
Thursday	Retention Elections	AG/Election Commission
Sunday at 8:00 am	Spring Election Filing Window Opens	Governor

Delegation Chairs

East Central University

Northeastern State University

Northwestern Oklahoma State University

Oklahoma Baptist University

Oral Roberts University

Oklahoma State University

Rose State College

Southeastern Oklahoma State University

Southern Nazarene University

University of Oklahoma

University of Tulsa

Derek Odom

Gillian Randall

Jacob Martin

Sydney Gardner

Rees McDaniel

Ashton Tate

William Little

Calia Walker

Maria Vazquez

Amanda McCumber

Alex Thomason

Steering Committee

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Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Speaker of the House

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Attorney General

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Wesley Hurlbut

Director of Technology

Wyatt Moore

Director of Fundraising

Carmen Gonser

Director of Retention

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Phyllis Bell

Director of Recruitment

Andrew Gardner

Director of Delegation Resources

Sydney Gardner

Senate Leadership

Secretary

Austin Floyd

Floor Leader

Andrew Gardner

President's Clerk

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Head Freshman Liaison

Phyllis Bell

Head Sergeant-At-Arms

Patrick Humphrey

Rules Committee Chair

Sydney Gardner

Parliamentarian

Kannin Koehn

Standards & Ethics Chair

Macy Baca

Judiciary Committee Chair

Wesley Hurlbut

House Leadership

Chief Clerk Administrator

Floor Leader

Head Parliamentarian

Head Freshman Liaison

Chief Legislative Counselor

Head Sergeant-at-Arms

Ethics Chair

Jacob Schonfield

Maddy Cantrell & Alex Thomason

Rees McDaniel

Audrey Bishop

Amanda McCumber

Ryker Baughmen

Eduardo Miranda

Supreme Court

Chief Justice

Vice Chief Justice

Associate Justice

Associate Justice

Associate Justice

Associate Justice

Caden Hayes

Sydney Adkins

Faith Pratt

Seth Young

Kaitlyn Wadley

Caleb Dorsten

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INTERNAL LEGISLATION

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-001

By: Boren (ALU)
Clifton (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED:

An act relating to session dates; providing short title; providing for codification; amending Title Five, Chapter Two, §§ 200, 203; amending Title Seven, Chapter Two, § 200; amending Title Five, Chapter Five, § 507 of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Ample Notice” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW To be codified into the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes as Title Two, Chapter Four: Delegation Council, unless there is created a duplication in numbering to read as follows:

400. There is hereby created the Delegation Council.
401. The membership of the Delegation Council shall be comprised of the membership of the Board of Directors and one representative Delegation Chair from each member delegation or a proxy of the Delegation Chair’s choosing from the delegation’s leadership as determined by that delegation’s Constitution and Bylaws.
402. The Delegation Council shall convene at the request of the Governor, or by the Lieutenant Governor, for purposes relating to the dates, location, and other issues that require the input of delegation leadership.
403. The Governor shall serve as the Chair of the Delegation Council, the Lieutenant Governor shall serve as the Vice Chair. The Secretary of State shall serve as Secretary of the Delegation Council and shall attend all meetings of the Council but shall not be a voting member of it. The Attorney General shall serve as legal counsel to the Delegation Council, and shall attend all meetings of the Council but shall not be a voting member of it.
 - A. In the absence of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor shall serve as Chair and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall serve as the Vice Chair.

Section 2. AMENDATORY Section 200, Chapter Two of Title Five of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes is amended to read as follows:

1. SECTION 200: The Governor shall be responsible for all non-legislative and non-judicial arrangements of each conference. These arrangements shall include, but not be limited to: the selection of a conference hotel, the distribution of required registration materials, and the execution of all conference wide activities.
 - A. Registration shall be made available no later than four (4) weeks prior to the beginning of session, unless approval be expressly given by a 3/4 (three-fourths) supermajority of the Delegation Council for the sole purpose of cooperating with Capitol scheduling.

Section 3. AMENDATORY Section 203, Chapter Two of Title Five of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes is amended to read as follows:

1. SECTION 203: The Governor shall select the hotel which the organization shall utilize during each session of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, and shall be responsible for selecting the dates in which each session of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature shall be held. The Governor shall notify all members of the Steering Committee and all Delegation Chairs within two (2) days of securing both the hotel that shall be utilized by the organization and the dates in which the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature shall hold its session. This announcement must be made a minimum of six (6) weeks before the day the intended session will begin, unless approval be expressly given by a 3/4 (three-fourths) supermajority of the Delegation Council.

Section 4. AMENDATORY Section 200, Chapter Two of Title Seven of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes is amended to read as follows:

1. SECTION 200:
 - A. A “delegation” shall be defined as the group of Oklahoma college students organized from one Member Institution that attends or is making a good faith effort to attend, as determined by the Governor, conferences of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature.
 - B. A “delegation chair” shall be defined as the individual student recognized by ~~a member institution~~ each delegation’s membership, in

accordance with that delegation's governing documents, as an authoritative or responsible party for the delegation as a whole.

- C. A "delegate" shall be defined as anyone currently enrolled in six (6) hours of undergraduate or three (3) hours of post-graduate classes at the member institution they represent at OIL during the semester in which OIL session falls.

Section 5. AMENDATORY Section 507, Chapter Five of Title Five of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes is amended to read as follows:

1. SECTION 507: The Secretary of State shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board of Directors, ~~and Steering Committee, and Delegation Council~~ and shall publish them from time to time as directed by the Governor.

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Section 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-002

By: Boren (ALU)
Clifton (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Steering Committee meetings; providing short title; amending Title Five, Chapter Two, § 201 of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Modernized Steering Committee” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY Title Five, Chapter Two, § 201 is amended to read as follows:

The Governor shall call Post Mortem Session and Interim Session in accordance with Title Two, Section 202 of these statutes. The Governor shall be responsible for the selection of times and places for these sessions and shall serve notice to the membership of the Steering Committee at least ~~two (2)~~ one (1) weeks in advance.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Section 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-003

By: Boren (ALU)
Clifton (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to court fines; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending Title Three, Chapter One, § 106 of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Official Equipment Fines Act of 2023.”
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Official Equipment” shall refer to all equipment listed on the OIL Official Equipment List maintained by the Director of Budget and Finance pursuant to the OIL Code of Regulations.
- Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature statutes Title Three, Chapter One, Section 106 to read as follows:
1. The Courts of the Organization may impose fines upon those who damage, lose, or do not return official equipment owned by the Organization. Such fines shall not exceed the cost to repair or replace the damaged equipment. Fines shall be paid to the Director of Budget and Finance who shall give the money to the OIL Foundation to deposit in the Organization’s account for the purposes of repair or replacement.
- Section 3. AMENDATORY Title Three, Chapter One of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature statutes is amended to read as follows:
1. SECTION 105: The Courts of the Organization may impose fines upon those who violate their orders; such fines shall not exceed twenty-five (\$25) dollars

per offense. Fines shall be paid to the ~~Secretary of State~~ Director of Budget and Finance who shall give the money to the Foundation to deposit in the Organization's account.

2. SECTION ~~106~~ 107: All other Courts, unless otherwise specified by law, shall meet during the regular Conferences of the Organization.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Section 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-004

By: Boren (ALU)
Clifton (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the Director of Delegation Resources; providing short title; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Delegation Resources Act of 2023.”

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes as Title Five, Chapter Six, Section 680, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, to read as follows:

1. The Director of Delegation Resources shall:
 - A. Be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate.
 - B. Oversee the creation, upkeep and dissemination of an official, comprehensive delegation resource packet made available to all members and schools who would be qualified to send a delegation. This packet shall:
 1. Be published on the official website of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature and filed with the Secretary of State, who shall provide said packet to every delegation and at other times which it may be requested.
 2. Also be filed with the Director of Retention and the Director of Recruitment who shall utilize such packet to any extent which shall aid them in the execution of their respective offices.
 3. Include but shall not be limited to: written guides and videos about serving in each chamber of the legislature; written guides and videos about competing in moot court; written guides and videos about competing in the press competition; written guides and materials about how to complete and submit registration materials; guides about fundraising at the

delegation level; and guides about recruitment and retention at the delegation level.

- C. Be authorized to appoint up to one (1) deputy director and one (1) assistant as needed, with the consent of the Governor, to aid in the execution of their office. These positions shall not confer membership. Membership must be obtained by some other means.
- D. Perform such functions as directed by the Governor, provided that those functions do not directly conflict with functions that are specified to other officers within either the Constitution or Statutes of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature.
- E. Work in conjunction with the other principal officers of the Executive Branch and members of the Steering Committee, as requested and/or as directed by the Governor, in any such way that may best effectuate the duties of their office and strengthen the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, the delegations, and its members.
- F. Not be restricted from being a member of either the Legislative or Judicial branches. This position shall not grant membership. Membership must be obtained by some other means.
- G. Report to and be under the authority and auspices of the Office of the Governor and shall be under the general supervision of the Chief of Staff. Any subordinate officer existing under the Director of Delegation Resources shall be under the authority, auspices, and supervision of the Director of Delegation Resources.
- H. Serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Section 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-005

By: Boren (ALU)
Clifton (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the Director of Diversity and Inclusion; providing short title; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Diversity and Inclusion Act of 2023.”

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes as Title Five, Chapter Six, Section 670, unless there is created a duplication in numbering to read as follows:

1. The Director of Diversity and Inclusion shall:
 - A. Be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate.
 - B. Be responsible for leading the organization in conversations relevant to diversity, equity and inclusion. The officer shall also assist in further local diversity efforts by working with the Principal Officers of the Executive Branch and the leadership of OIL and its member delegations.
 - C. Be authorized to appoint up to one (1) deputy director and/or one (1) assistant as needed, with the consent of the Governor, to aid in the execution of their office. These positions shall not confer membership. Membership must be obtained by some other means.
 - D. Perform such functions as directed by the Governor, provided that those functions do not directly conflict with functions that are specified to other officers within either the Constitution or Statutes of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature.
 - E. Not be restricted from being a member of either the Legislative or Judicial branches. This position shall not grant membership. Membership must be obtained by some other means.
 - F. Serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Section 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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

SENATE LEGISLATION

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. NWOSU-001

By: Findley (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to school storm shelters; providing short titles; providing definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; providing funding; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Hunker Down” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Occupancy” The amount of individuals that are in a building at a given time.

Section 3 NEW LAW A New law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All Accredited schools must provide an ICC 500-approved storm shelter for the entire building occupancy.
 - a) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the state's schools shall be completed by 2060.
 - b) Creation of the “Hunker Down” grant.
2. This grant may be used to build or update storm shelters by FEMA ICC 500 standard.
3. The grant amount given to a school district will be provided by the Department of Public Safety.
4. Each district must provide a construction and funding plan to submit to be eligible for this grant.
5. Each school district will be allowed to apply one time.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) will be fined to the school district found in violation of this law

Section 5. FUNDING

1. The Department of Education will provide the viable needs to complete this project.
2. Funding will be available for the district by the “Hunker Down” grant.

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. NWOSU-002

By: Koehn (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to agriculture ; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Backyard Agriculture ” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Hen- female of the gallus gallus domesticus species

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. A municipality shall make no law prohibiting, regulating, or permitting the ownership of five (5) or less hens.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If found to be in violation of this act the municipality will face a fine of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per violation to be applied to the state's general fund.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. NWOSU-003

By: Koehn (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Education; providing short title; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Education” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The state of Oklahoma shall form a committee for the purpose of creating an education curriculum centered around Oklahoma’s regulations. The committee shall be made up of five members. The state secretary of education shall serve as the chair of the committee. The state superintendent of schools shall serve as the vice-chair of the committee. One member shall be nominated by the state department of education. The final two members shall be appointed by the State Board of Education. The committee shall pass a curriculum no later than July 31, 2025. Upon the passage of a curriculum by the committee, all Oklahoma Public Schools have one year to adopt said curriculum or lose accreditation. Extensions to the implementation of the curriculum can be granted at the approval of the state department of education. The committee shall reexamine the curriculum and propose any additional changes by July 31, 2027. Oklahoma Public Schools have until July 31, 2028 to accept this curriculum. Extensions to the implementation of the curriculum can be granted at the approval of the state department of education. The extension cannot be effective for longer than two years

Section 3. PENALTIES

1. Any Oklahoma school found to have not accepted the new curriculum will lose state accreditation.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OBU-001

Brooks (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to reproductive technology; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 10 O.S. §551; amending 10 O.S. §552; amending 10 O.S. §553; repealing 10 O.S. §554; repealing 10 O.S. §555; amending 10 O.S. §556; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Donor-Conceived Children and Reproductive Clarity” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Fertility clinic” shall refer to an entity or organization that performs assisted reproduction medical procedures, receives donor gametes, and/or matches gamete donors for a recipient in, or who is a resident of, Oklahoma. Includes agency that is located within or outside of Oklahoma that matches gamete donors with recipients in, or who are residents of, Oklahoma.
 2. “Gamete” shall refer to unfertilized oocytes or sperm.
 3. “Identifying information” shall include:
 - a. The donor’s full name
 - b. The donor’s date of birth; and
 - c. The donor’s permanent and, if different, current address or other contact information at the time of the donation, or other contact information as retained by the gamete agency by the gamete agency, gamete bank, or fertility clinic.
 4. “Medical history” shall refer to information regarding any:
 - a. Present physical illness of the donor
 - b. Past illness of the donor; and
 - c. Social, genetic, and family medical history pertaining to the donor’s health.
 5. “In-Vitro Fertilization” shall refer to the medical procedure that is used to fertilize collected oocyte in a lab and then implant the embryo into the uterus

of a recipient parent. Includes the use of donor oocyte or sperm for fertilization.

6. "Heterologous artificial insemination" shall refer to the use of donor sperm in artificial insemination procedures.
7. "Human embryo transfer" shall refer to the transfer of a human embryo from donor parent(s) to recipient parent(s). Includes:
 - a. Human embryos created from oocyte or sperm donation through a gamete bank and oocyte or sperm from the donor parent(s);
 - b. Human embryos created with oocyte or sperm of donors who know the donor parent(s) and oocyte or sperm from the donor parent(s); and
 - c. Human embryos created with the oocyte and sperm of the donor parent(s).
8. "Recipient parent" shall refer to the adult(s) that are using In-vitro fertilization, heterologous artificial insemination, or human embryo transfer to conceive and/or give birth to a child or children for which they will accept full legal rights and responsibilities.
9. "Cryopreservation" shall refer to the freezing and storing of gametes and embryos for possible future use.
10. "Medically disposed" shall refer to the thawing of cryopreserved embryos without a period of culture, making the embryo unviable, and then treated as medical waste.
11. "Prior recipient parent(s)" shall refer to the recipient parent(s) of a human embryo that wish to transfer the human embryo to a different set of recipient parent(s) to give birth to a child or children. Often as a result of the recipient parent(s) not wanting any more children and still having cryopreserved embryos.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

A. Gamete donation

1. This section applies only to gametes collected and embryos formed with gametes collected by a fertility clinic on or after January 1, 2025, for use by a recipient parent or parents who are unknown to the donor at the time of the donation.
2. A fertility clinic that collects gametes from a donor or matches a donor with a recipient shall collect the donor's identifying information and medical history and shall make a good-faith effort to maintain current contact information and updates on medical history of the donor by requesting updates from the donor at least once every three (3) years.
3. A fertility clinic shall have each donor sign a declaration, attested by a notarial officer, that the donor agrees to the disclosure of the donor's

identity to a donor-conceived person, conceived with the donor's gametes or embryo formed with the donor's gametes, on request of the donor-conceived person after the donor-conceived person is eighteen (18) years of age or older. Additionally, the declaration shall include written consent of the donor. Consent in writing shall include extensive explanation of the procedures that will be used, including all documented risks and side effects of required medications, as documented by the Federal Drug Administration. The written consent of the donor shall not be open to the general public and the information may be released by the fertility clinic only at the request of the gamete donor or to any child who is eighteen (18) years of age or older conceived through gamete donation.

4. A fertility clinic located in Oklahoma shall not match or collect gametes from a donor who does not agree to the disclosure of the donor's identity.
5. A fertility clinic located outside of Oklahoma shall not match or provide gametes from a donor who does not agree to the disclosure of the donor's identity to a recipient parent or parents located in, or who are residents of, Oklahoma.
6. Upon the request of a donor-conceived person who is eighteen years of age or older, a fertility clinic that matched or collected the gametes used in the assisted reproduction regardless of whether the fertility clinic performed the assisted reproduction, shall provide the donor-conceived person access to any medical history and identifying information of the donor that is maintained by the fertility clinic.
 - A. If the donor-conceived person is a minor, upon the request of a parent or guardian of the minor donor-conceived person, a fertility clinic that matched or collected the gametes used in the assisted reproduction regardless of whether the fertility clinic performed the assisted reproduction, shall provide the parent or guardian of the minor donor-conceived person, access to any non-identifying medical history of the donor that is maintained by the fertility clinic.
7. A fertility clinic shall permanently maintain:
 - A. Identifying information and medical history for each donor with which it matches or from which it collects gametes for use by a recipient parent or parents who are unknown to the donor at the time of the donation;
 - B. Information about the number of families established with each donor's gametes and the efforts of the fertility clinic to obtain that information;
 - C. Any record of gamete screening and testing.
8. Upon dissolution, insolvency, or bankruptcy, a fertility clinic shall:

- A. Implement the plan approved by the department;
 - B. File with the department a statement providing the name and contact information of the successor entity, if any, that will receive and maintain records as described in section 7; and
 - C. Inform by mail and electronic mail sent to the last known address on file all gamete donors whose gametes were collected, matched, or received by the fertility clinic, as well as recipient parents who received gametes or embryos from the fertility clinic and reported a pregnancy or live birth, the name and contact information of the successor entity that will receive and maintain the records described in section 7.
9. A fertility clinic shall make a good-faith effort to determine how many families are established with gamete matched or provided by the gamete agency, gamete bank, or fertility clinic from each donor by conducting sufficient record keeping, requiring recipients, as a condition of receiving donor gametes, to provide information on live births, and requesting information from recipients on live births, and using industry best practices, including methods or processes to account for the number of percentage of live births that are likely not reported, such as the correlation between number of units of donor gametes sold or released and the resulting live births.
10. A fertility clinic shall not match or provide gametes from a donor to additional families once the fertility clinic has record or should reasonably know that twenty-five (25) families have been established using a single donor's gametes in or outside of Oklahoma, with no limit on the number of children conceived by each of the families, unless the doctor requests, and the fertility clinic agrees to, a lower limit on the number of family.
- A. This limit does not include any children conceived by the donor as a parent of children conceived with the donor's gametes when the donor is known to the recipient parent of parents at the time of the donation.
 - B. This limit does not include donations of embryos from one family to another family.
 - C. A family is considered established when a recipient parent of parents conceive a child using gametes from a donor and a live birth results or likely resulted. A fertility clinic shall make reasonable good-faith efforts, and document such efforts, to obtain information from a recipient parent about whether and when a live birth had occurred.
- B. In-vitro Fertilization
- 1. The technique of In-vitro fertilization may be performed in this State by persons duly authorized to practice medicine at the request of the recipient

parent(s) desiring the utilization of such technique for the purpose of conceiving child or children.

2. For the purposes of potential human embryo transfer (see section 3.A.2), any gamete(s) collected from the recipient parent(s) shall provide the medical history and identifying information and written consent as outlined in section subsection.
3. Prior to the execution of such medical procedure, consent in writing shall be obtained from the recipient parent(s) and attested by a notarial officer. If donor gametes will be used, then the consent in writing shall be obtained at the time of donation, as outlined in section 3.A.3. Consent in writing shall include:
 - A. Extensive explanation of the procedures that will be used, including all documented risks and side effects of required medications, as documented by the Federal Drug Administration;
 - B. If applicable, recipient parent(s) must be notified of the medical history of any gamete donor(s) and any record of gamete screening and testing;
 - C. If applicable, recipient parent(s) and gamete donor(s) must be notified of the rights of the donor-conceived person to request the medical history and any identifying information record that is maintained by the fertility clinic as in section 3.A.7, as well as the right of the parent of the minor donor-conceived child to request any non-identifying medical history of the gamete donor, see section 3.A.6.1.;
 - D. The written consent of the recipient parent(s) shall not be open to the general public and the information may be released by the fertility clinic only at the request of the recipient parent(s), or gamete donor(s), or embryo donor(s), or to any child who is eighteen (18) years of age or older conceived through In-vitro fertilization.
 - E. Any fertility clinic that fertilizes donor or recipient parent oocyte using In-vitro fertilization must offer cryopreservation as a means of short-term or long-term storage for any unused embryos.
 - i. The recipient parent(s) are required to provide a written agreement for the use of cryopreservation, including in the document a time limit of no more than ten (10) years. At the expiration of this agreement, the recipient parent(s) will be required to renew said agreement for a time limit of no more than ten (10) years.
 - ii. Any recipient parent(s) that fails to renew the cryopreservation agreement will be notified that the embryos will be available for anonymous human embryo transfer at the fertility clinic where the embryos are being cryopreserved for a period of ten (10) years,

after which the embryos will be medically disposed of. See section 4 §10-556 A.2.a.

- F. Any child or children conceived as the result of In-vitro fertilization through the use of donor gamete(s) shall be considered at law in all respects the same as a naturally conceived, legitimate child of the recipient parent(s).

Section 4. AMENDATORY O.S. §10-551 is amended to read as follows:

The technique of heterologous artificial insemination may be performed in this State by persons duly authorized to practice medicine at the request and with the consent in writing of the husband and wife desiring the utilization of such technique for the purpose of conceiving a child or children.

Section 5. AMENDATORY O.S. §10-552 is amended to read as follows:

Any child or children born as the result thereof shall be considered at law in all respects the same as a naturally conceived legitimate child of the ~~husband and wife~~ recipient parent(s) so requesting and consenting to the use of such technique(s).

Section 6. AMENDATORY O.S. §10-553 is amended to read as follows:

~~No person shall perform the technique of heterologous artificial insemination unless currently licensed to practice medicine in this State, and then only at the request and with the written consent of the husband and wife desiring the utilization of such technique. The said consent shall be executed and acknowledged by both the husband and wife and the person who is to perform the technique, and the judge having jurisdiction over adoption of children, and an original thereof shall be filed under the same rules as adoption papers. Prior to the use of such medical procedures, consent in writing shall be obtained from the recipient parent(s) and attested by a notarial officer. Consent in writing shall include: Extensive explanation of the procedures that will be used, including all documented risks and side effects of required medications, as documented by the Federal Drug Administration; recipient parent(s) must be notified of the medical history of any gamete donor(s) and any record of gamete screening and testing; and recipient parent(s) and gamete donor(s) must be notified of the rights of the donor-conceived person to request the medical history and any identifying information record that is maintained by the fertility clinic, see section 3.A.7, as well as the right of the parent of the minor donor-conceived child to request any non-identifying medical history of the gamete donor, see section 3.A.6.1. The~~

written consent so filed shall not be open to the general public, and the information contained therein may be released only ~~to the persons executing such consent~~ at the request of the recipient parent(s), or gamete donor(s), or to any child who is eighteen years of age or older conceived through In-vitro fertilization, or to persons having a legitimate interest therein as evidenced by a specific court order.

Section 7. REPEALER O.S. §10-554 is hereby repealed:

~~Any child or children born as a result of a heterologous oocyte donation shall be considered for all legal intents and purposes, the same as a naturally conceived legitimate child of the husband and wife recipient parent(s) which consent to and receive an oocyte pursuant to the use of the technique of heterologous oocyte donation.~~

Section 8. REPEALER O.S. §10-555 is hereby repealed:

~~An oocyte donor shall have no right, obligation or interest with respect to a child born as a result of a heterologous oocyte donation from such donor. A child born as a result of a heterologous oocyte donation shall have no right, obligation or interest with respect to the person who donated the oocyte which resulted in the birth of the child.~~

Section 9. AMENDATORY O.S. §10-556 is amended to read as follows:

- A. 1. No person shall perform the technique of human embryo transfer unless currently licensed to practice medicine in this state, and then only at the request and with the written consent of the ~~husband and wife~~ recipient parent(s) desiring to receive the human embryo transfer. In addition, the written consent of the ~~husband and wife~~ prior recipient parent(s) donating the human embryo shall be obtained by the ~~physician~~ fertility clinic.
2. The written consent of the ~~husband and wife~~ recipient parents desiring to receive the human embryo transfer shall be executed and acknowledged by ~~both the husband and wife~~ the prior recipient parent(s), and by the fertility clinic and physician who is to perform the technique and attested by a notarial officer, and by any judge of a court having adoption jurisdiction in this state. ~~The original of the executed consent shall be filed with the court in conformity to Section 553 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes.~~ Consent in writing shall include: Extensive explanation of the procedures that will be used, including all documented risks and side effects of required medications.

as documented by the Federal Drug Administration; recipient parent(s) must be notified of the medical history of any gamete donor(s) and any record of gamete screening and testing; and recipient parent(s), prior recipient parent(s), and gamete donor(s) must be notified of the rights of the donor-conceived person to request the medical history and any identifying information record that is maintained by the fertility clinic, see section 3.A.7, as well as the right of the parent of the minor donor-conceived child to request any non-identifying medical history of the gamete donor, see section 3.A.6.1.

a. In the event that the fertility clinic performs a human embryo transfer as outlined in section subsection, written consent of the prior recipient parent(s) shall not be required.

~~3. The original of the written consent of the husband and wife donating the human embryo shall be filed with the court by the physician performing the technique.~~

3. The written consents so filed shall not be open to the general public. The information contained therein, may be released only ~~to persons having a legitimate interest therein as evidenced by a specific court order~~ at the request of the recipient parent(s), or prior recipient parent(s), or to any child who is eighteen years of age or older born through human embryo transfer.

B. 1. Any child or children born as a result of a human embryo transfer donation shall be considered for all legal intents and purposes, the same as a naturally conceived legitimate child of the ~~husband and wife~~ recipient parent(s) that consent to and receive a human embryo transfer.

~~2. The husband and wife donating the human embryo shall be relieved of all parental responsibilities for any child or children resulting from the human embryo transfer.~~

C. The ~~husband and wife~~ recipient parent(s) donating the embryo shall have no right, obligation or interest with respect to a child born as a result of the donation or to the property of the child by descent or distribution.

D. A child born as a result of an embryo transfer donation shall have no right, obligation or interest with respect to the ~~husband and wife who donated the embryo~~ recipient parent(s).

E. Any child born through the use of human embryo transfer shall be granted the rights of a donor-conceived person. See section 3.A.6.

~~E-F.~~ The transfer and donation of human embryos pursuant to this section shall not be construed as trafficking in children if:

1. The human embryo is donated by the ~~biological~~ recipient parent(s) of the embryo;

2. The human embryo is not at anytime offered for sale or sold; and

3. The human embryo transfer and donation is made pursuant to the provisions of this section.

Section 10. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OBU-002

By: A. Gardner (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public health and safety; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 21 O.S. §1040.55 (A)(4); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Free the Nipple” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Topless” wearing no clothing above the waist or hips, or the wearing of a costume, bathing suit, etc. that leaves the breasts uncovered above the waist or hips.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The Legislature hereby declares that the distinction between male and female breasts is based on social generalizations and that laws rooted in such generalizations are discriminatory and perpetuate gender inequality.
2. Men and women have the right to be topless and the right to expose their breasts in public. Being topless in public is a form of expression that is guaranteed and protected as a right.
3. In furtherance of this right, any person may be topless in any location where they are otherwise authorized to be. Toplessness shall not constitute a violation of any provision of §21-1021 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
4. Private establishments may enforce a dress code on patrons so long as the code treats men and women equally and does not prevent mothers from breast-feeding.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. §1040.55 (A)(4) is amended to read as follows:

4. "State of nudity" means the showing of either:
 - a. The human male or female genitals or public area with less than a fully opaque covering, or
 - b. The female breast with less than a fully opaque covering or any part of the nipple.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OBU-003

By: A. Gardner (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public office; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for The Rizz Bowl; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Your Short Title Here” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Sigma - a popular, successful, but highly independent and self-reliant person.
2. Gyat - a term used to identify persons with pronounced buttocks.
3. Fanum tax - the obligation to give The Rizzler a portion of food at their request.
4. Mewing - a technique attributed to a British orthodontist named Mike Mew that involves putting pressure on the roof of your mouth with your tongue to try and change the shape of your face by moving your maxilla up and forwards with the lateral pressure of your tongue.
5. Looksmaxxing - the process of making oneself look better, especially the face.
6. Skibidi Toilet - a generation alpha meme published as a series of YouTube shorts.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The State of Oklahoma shall establish The Rizzler of Oklahoma, elsewhere referred to as The Rizzler, for the purpose of increasing state commerce and tourism.
2. The Rizzler must be an sigma, adult, and a permanent resident of Oklahoma for at least twelve (12) months.

3. The Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, elsewhere referred to as the department, shall be responsible for overseeing the office of The Rizzler and their staff of talent managers, editors, and moderators.
4. The duties of The Rizzler shall be mewning when appearing in public, looksmaxxing, and be responsible for operating and broadcasting livestreams on a state owned Twitch channel.
5. Oklahomans shall pay fanum tax and stick out their gyat for The Rizzler.
6. The Rizzler shall serve the state of Oklahoma up to four (4) years so long as they maintain their duties.

Section 4. THE RIZZ BOWL

1. The purpose of The Rizz Bowl is to determine The Rizzler where the current Rizzler shall defend their title.
2. The Rizz Bowl shall be held annually and begin at the end of the college football regular season and end the second (2nd) Saturday in January.
3. The Rizz Bowl shall be held in Oklahoma City at the Paycom Center the first year. The department shall determine all future details of The Rizz Bowl.
4. The department shall organize and appoint a panel of judges to preside over The Rizz Bowl competition. The panel shall consist of seven (7) judges and be majority Oklahoman.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Any person who does not pay fanum tax or will be sent to Ohio.
2. Any person who does not stick out their gyat for The Rizzler must write an essay on Skibidi Toilet lore.

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OBU-004

By: S. Gardner (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the provision of opioid antagonists in schools; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Saving Youth from Overdoses” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Opioid Antagonist - naloxone hydrochloride (e.g., Narcan, Naloxone) or any other similarly acting and equally safe drug that the Food and Drug Administration has approved for treating a drug overdose

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. A school nurse, or in the absence of one, a qualified school employee, is authorized to maintain opioid antagonists to administer emergency first aid to a student who is experiencing an opioid-related drug overdose and does not have a prior written authorization for administering this medication.
2. All school personnel will be required to complete the Intranasal Naloxone Training provided by the Oklahoma State Department of Health on an annual basis.
3. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with all Oklahoma Public School Districts to provide Intranasal Naloxone training materials and Intranasal Naloxone kits.

Section 4. This act shall become effective starting at the 2025-2026 academic year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OBU-005

By: S. Gardner (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating mental health lifelines; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “988” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. 988 - is a direct, three-digit lifeline that connects you with trained behavioral health professionals who can get all Oklahomans the help they need.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All Oklahoma public school sites comprising sixth through twelfth students shall have at least one visible posted resource (info sheet, decal, poster) about the 988 mental health lifeline.
2. Resources can be found on the Oklahoma State Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse website.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. ORU-001

By: Belyeu (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to investing in the education system to attract and retain highly qualified teachers; provide adequate funding for classroom supplies and extracurricular activities that are essential for a well-rounded education; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing allocation of funds; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Oklahoma Teachers’ Provision” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. A “teacher” as referenced in the body of this bill, is defined by O.S. § 70-1-116 as: “any person who is employed to serve as district superintendent, principal, supervisor, a counselor, librarian, school nurse or classroom teacher or in any other instructional, supervisory or administrative capacity.”
 2. An “institution of education” as referred to in the body of this bill, is defined as: any private, public, or charter school that is accredited by the Oklahoma State Board of Education or other federally recognized institutions of higher education.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. The base salary for all certified teachers employed by institutions of education within the state of Oklahoma shall be increased from a minimum of thirty-nine thousand six hundred one dollars (\$39,601) to a minimum of sixty-five thousand ninety dollars (\$65,090) annually for first-year teachers with a bachelor’s degree.
 2. Raises based on experience shall be as follows:

- a. Three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) for less than four (4) years
- b. Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for five (5) to nine (9) years
- c. Six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) for ten (10) to fifteen (15) years
- d. Eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) for more than fifteen (15) years

Section 4. FUNDING

1. Funding for the expenses of supplies, salaries, and other utilities will be deducted from the Oklahoma Department of Education's expenditure; teacher pay salaries will be prerogative.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. ORU-002

By: Belyeu (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the state food; providing a short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “The Lord’s Chicken Act” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. The third Thursday of May each year shall be recognized as “Chick-fil-A Spicy Chicken Deluxe Day” and shall be observed as a government holiday throughout the state of Oklahoma.
- B. State and local government offices, schools, and public institutions shall be closed on Chick-fil-A Spicy Chicken Deluxe Day, allowing citizens to celebrate and enjoy this iconic food item.
- C. On Chick-fil-A Spicy Chicken Deluxe Day, the state of Oklahoma shall organize and promote celebratory events, including but not limited to food festivals, contests, and educational programs about the history and significance of the Chick-fil-A Spicy Chicken Deluxe sandwich.

Section 3. FUNDING

- A. Funding for the events and programs related to Chick-fil-A Spicy Chicken Deluxe Day shall be allocated from the state's expenditure.

Section 4. IMPLEMENTATION

- A. The Oklahoma State Department of Tourism and Recreation shall be responsible for the organization and oversight of Chick-fil-A Spicy Chicken Deluxe Day events.

Section 5. This act shall become ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. ORU-003

By: Davenport (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to school classes; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Rain Security” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Public School - any school that is funded by using public taxation.
2. Rainfall per hour - a measurement used to measure the amount of water during the event of a storm.
3. Rain - water that falls in the form of drops originally condensed from vapor located in the atmosphere.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All state-funded schools within the state of Oklahoma shall cancel classes or provide an online learning option whenever it rains for at least two (2) hours.
 - a. If the rain stops two (2) hours before the beginning of the school day, the school may go on as planned unless rain is forecasted to start again right before the school day.
2. If rain should start during the school day at three tenths (.3) inches of rainfall per hour or more, children shall stay inside for as long as the rain persists.
 - a. All children from grades kindergarten through eighth (K-8) shall be forbidden to go outside during the school day and become soaked by the rain unless it is essential to travel to a building to attend class.
 - b. Once the school day ends, all children shall go home by their normal transportation methods.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Failure to cancel school on a day when it rains for more than two (2) hours will result in a two percent (2%) reduction in state funding.
2. Should a child grade kindergarten through eighth (K-8) become soaked by the rain during the school day there shall be a two hundred dollar (\$200) fee per violation.

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the end of the current school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. ORU-004

By: Davenport (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the right to repair; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Electronic” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Electronics manufacturing service - a company that manufactures, tests, distributes, and provides services for the return and repair of electronics.
2. Electronics - devices that use things like microchips, transistors, and other parts.
3. Documentation - printed instructions or information for using a piece or system of an electronic device.
4. Parts - pieces of objects used to construct a device.
5. Repair - to fix or to mend.
6. Manufacturer - a person or company that makes goods and sells them.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All electronics manufacturing services that sell their products within the state of Oklahoma shall provide any documentation, parts, and tools required to diagnose, maintain, or repair any digital electronic equipment and parts for the equipment.
2. Documentation parts and tools shall be available either directly by the manufacturer or through an authorized repair provider.
3. The price should be made affordable and dependent on:
 - a. The cost to the original manufacturer of the equipment.
 - b. The store’s owner or provider of the repairs to afford the tool, part, or documentation required to repair the object.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Violation of this act shall be given a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. ORU-005

By: Haner (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to driving; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Animal Distraction” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Distracting Animal” A bird, mammal, or reptile weighing over five (5) pounds.
2. “Automobile” Any vehicle with four (4) or more wheels that is capable of driving on Oklahoma highways.
3. “Person” a living human being.
4. “Running” the state of an automobile engine that through fuel combustion or electricity allows movement through the action of pressing down the automobile’s accelerator pedal.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It shall, as of the effective date of this bill, become illegal in the State of Oklahoma for a person driving an automobile to have inside a running automobile more than three (3) distracting animals than the number of the total of unoccupied seats in the automobile.
2. Exceptions to the law are as follows”
 - a. If the automobile in question has an open space exceeding twenty (20) square feet, the limit is extended to one (1) distracting animal per five (5) square feet or open space.
 - b. If the distracting animal is in a crate then they are exempt from being counted.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a person is found to be acting in violation of this law, they shall be subject to a fine not to exceed five-hundred dollars (\$500).

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. ORU-006

By: Haner (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to schools; providing short title; amending 70 O.S. §1-111; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Academic Freedom” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. §1-111, is amended to read as follows:

- A. Except as otherwise provided for by law, a school day shall consist of not less than six (6) hours devoted to school activities. A district board of education may elect to extend the length of one (1) or more school days to more than six (6) hours and reduce the number of school days as long as the total amount of classroom instruction time is not less than one thousand eighty (1,080) hours per year as required pursuant to Section 1-109 of this title.
- B. A school day for nursery, early childhood education, kindergarten, and alternative education programs shall be as otherwise defined by law or as defined by the State Board of Education. Except as otherwise provided for in this subsection, not more than one (1) school day shall be counted for attendance purposes in any twenty-four-hour period. Two (2) school days, each consisting of not less than six (6) hours, may be counted for attendance purposes in any twenty-four-hour period only if one of the school days is for the purpose of parent-teacher conferences held as provided for in Section 1-109 of this title.
- C. Students absent from school in which they are regularly enrolled may be considered as being in attendance if the reason for such absence is to participate in scheduled school activities under the direction and supervision of a regular member of the faculty or to participate in an online course approved by the district board of education. The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to provide for the implementation of supplemental online courses which shall include but not be limited to provisions addressing the following:
 1. Criteria for student admissions eligibility;

2. A student admission process administered through the district of residence, which provides the ability for the student to enroll in individual courses;
 3. A process by which students are not denied the opportunity to enroll in educationally appropriate courses by school districts. For the purposes of this section, "educationally appropriate" means any instruction that is not substantially a repeat of a course or portion of a course that the student has successfully completed, regardless of the grade of the student, and regardless of whether a course is similar to or identical to the instruction that is currently offered in the school district;
 4. Creation of a system which provides ongoing enrollment access for students throughout the school year;
 5. A grace period of fifteen (15) calendar days from the first day of an online course for student withdrawal from an online course without academic penalty;
 6. Mastery of competencies for course completion rather than Carnegie units;
 7. Student participation in extracurricular activities in accordance with school district eligibility rules and policies and any rules and policies of a private organization or association which provides the coordination, supervision, and regulation of the interscholastic activities and contests of schools;
 8. Parent authorization for release of state test results to online course providers, on a form developed by the State Department of Education; and
 9. A review process to identify and certify online course providers and a uniform payment processing system.
- D. Each district board of education shall adopt policies and procedures that conform to rules for online courses as adopted by the State Board. Such policies shall include criteria for approval of the course, the appropriateness of the course for a particular student, authorization for full-time students to enroll in online courses, and establishing fees or charges. No district shall be liable for payment of any fees or charges for any online course for a student who has not complied with the district's policies and procedures. School districts shall not deny students the opportunity to enroll in educationally appropriate courses and shall provide an admissions process which includes input from the student, the parent or legal guardian of the student, and school faculty.
- E. Districts shall require students enrolled in online courses to participate in the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act. Students participating in online courses from a remote site will be responsible for providing their own equipment and Internet access, unless the district chooses to provide the

equipment. Credit may not be granted for such courses except upon approval of the State Board of Education and the district board of education.

- F. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a student who transfers from the district in which the student resides to another school district pursuant to the Education Open Transfer Act from enrolling in a full-time virtual education program offered by the receiving school district. A student who enrolls pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to the provisions of Section 8-103.2 of this title. The board of education of a school district with a full-time virtual education program shall adopt a policy to determine the number of transfer students the program has the capacity to accept in each grade level, as provided for in Section 8-101.2 of this title.
- G. Districts may provide students with opportunities for blended instruction. "Blended instruction" shall mean a combination of brick-and-mortar learning and virtual learning environments that includes elements of a student's control over place, pace, and path of learning. A student in blended instruction may work on virtual courses at home or at school in a blended flex lab but shall participate in at least one unit or set of competencies as defined by Section 11-103.6 of this title at a physical school building in a traditional classroom setting which is the academic equivalent of one (1) hour per day for each instructional day in the school year as defined by Section 1-109 of this title. High School students who maintain a cumulative G.P.A of 3.5 or greater are required to participate only in such units or sets of competencies if no online service is offered. If during the midpoint of a semester a student's G.P.A. is not projected to meet this requirement, this exemption is no longer valid and the student will not be able to qualify again until the following semester.
- H. The school day for kindergarten may consist of six (6) hours devoted to school activities.

Section 3. This act shall become effective on July 10, 2025 after passage and approval.

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Senate Bill No. ORU-007

By: Haner (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to verbal sayings; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Blessings” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITION The follow terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Blessing” An acknowledgement of a sneeze by saying, “God bless you”.
- B. “Sneeze” To emit air, chiefly through the nose, audibly and violently, by a kind of involuntary convulsive force, occasioned by irritation of the inner membrane of the nose.
- C. “Sneezer” The person responsible for a sneeze.
- D. “Blesser” The person who is responsible to give a blessing to the Sneezer.

Section 3. NEW LAW; A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. As of the passage of this bill, it shall become illegal for a person to refrain from saying a blessing to any Sneezer standing within twenty (20) feet from them. The act of blessing is an act of peace and love. Refraining from doing so can only be considered an act of gross negligence or hostile will.
- B. If the Blessor is atheistic or of another religion and takes issue with the standard form of blessing, they may say, “Evolution bless you”, or “randomness bless you”, or, “Great Scott, you really let that one go didn’t you?” to substitute the standard blessing.
- C. If the Blessor can provide documentation that they are hard of hearing, they are exempt from the responsibility of blessing.
- D. If the Blessor is the acting President of the United States, they are exempt from the responsibility of blessing.
- E. If the Blessor has more than five hundred (500) followers on Instagram, they are exempt from the responsibility of blessing.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Persons found violating the Blessings Act will be subject to a fine not exceeding two thousand (\$2000) dollars.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
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Senate Bill No. ORU-008

By: Humphrey (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to people in detention; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Dignity in Detention” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Inmate” shall be defined as a person incarcerated in a prison.
- B. “Physician” shall be defined as the psychiatrist, medical doctor, osteopathic physician, or other medical authority responsible for the administration of medication under 57 O.S. § 4.1.
- C. “Informed decision” shall be defined as a decision made by a qualified adult based on an appreciation of all relevant facts.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. An inmate of an Oklahoma correctional facility who has voluntarily expressed his or her wish to die, may make a written request for medication for the purpose of ending his or her life in a humane and dignified manner.
- B. A person seeking to end his or her life in this manner will be required to meet with the correctional facility’s physician.
 - 1. The physician will evaluate the inmate’s motive for seeking medication to facilitate a dignified death and his or her ability to make an informed decision with respect thereto.
 - 2. To ensure that an informed decision is made, the physician will apprise the inmate of all potential risks associated with taking the medication to be prescribed, the probable result of taking the medication to be prescribed, and possible alternatives, if applicable based on the circumstances leading to the inmate submitting his or her request.

3. The physician will recommend notifying the inmate's next of kin of the request for medication pursuant to this act. However, declining to notify next of kin shall not result in the inmate's request being denied for that reason.
- C. In order to receive a prescription for medication to end his or her life, the inmate shall have made an oral request and a written request and reiterate the oral request no less than ten (10) days after making the initial oral request. At the time of the second oral request, the physician shall offer the inmate an opportunity to rescind the request.
- D. Barring a demonstration of extraordinary circumstances, which will be judged by prison administrators and medical staff, an inmate of an Oklahoma correctional facility must serve a minimum of three (3) years in prison before having the access to submit a request for life-ending medication.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

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Senate Bill No. ORU-009

By: Humphrey (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to scholarships; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Support Oklahoma’s Scholars (SOS)” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. “Private scholarship” shall be defined as a scholarship awarded by a business, private foundation, nonprofit organization or service group, not including awards funded by private organizations affiliated with institutions of higher education, the recipients of which are in any part selected by an institution of higher education.
 - B. “Institutional financial aid” shall be defined as the sum of all need-based and merit-based grants, scholarships, tuition waivers, and all other forms of financial assistance provided to a student by a public institution of higher education, not including loans or work-study programs.
 - C. “Cost of attendance” shall be defined as that which is enumerated in 20 U.S.C. § 1087II.
 - D. “Expected family contribution” shall be defined as how much the student and his or her family can be expected to contribute to the cost of the student's education for a given award year.
 - E. “Financial need” shall be defined as cost of attendance minus expected family contribution.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- A. An institution of higher education in the State of Oklahoma may only reduce a student’s institutional financial aid as a result of the awarding of private

scholarships to the student under the circumstances given in subsections (1) and (2).

1. When a student's total financial aid from all sources exceeds the student's financial need, the institution may reduce institutional financial aid until it no longer exceeds financial need.
 2. An institution of higher education may also reduce a student's institutional financial aid if the institution receives approval from the organization that awarded the private scholarship that caused the reduction authorized pursuant to subsection (1).
- B. In the case of student athletes, an institution may reduce institutional financial aid in compliance with the relevant individual or team financial aid restrictions of any athletic association or conference with authority over intercollegiate athletics.

Section 4. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the 2024-2025 academic year.

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Senate Bill No. ORU-010

By: Davenport (ORU)
Ramsey (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to custody law; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 43 O.S. § 139.1; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Revoke Revocation” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of Section 6-201.1 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

1. “Licensing board” means any bureau, department, division, board, agency or commission of this state or of a municipality in this state that issues a license;
2. “Noncompliance with an order for support” means that the obligor has failed to make child support payments required by a child support order in an amount equal to the child support payable for at least ninety (90) days or has failed to make full payments pursuant to a court-ordered payment plan for at least ninety (90) days or has failed to obtain or maintain health insurance coverage as required by an order for support for at least ninety (90) days or has failed, after receiving appropriate notice to comply with subpoenas or orders relating to paternity or child support proceedings or has failed to comply with an order to submit to genetic testing to determine paternity;
3. “Order for support” means any judgment or order for the support of dependent children or an order to submit to genetic testing to determine paternity issued by any court of this state or other state or any judgment or order issued in accordance with an administrative procedure established by state law that affords substantial due process and is subject to judicial review;
4. “License” means any recreational license or permit including, but not limited to, a hunting and fishing license or other authorization issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code, or certificates of title for vessels and motors and other licenses or registrations issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act;

5. "Obligor" means the person who is required to make payments or comply with other provisions of an order for support;
6. "Oklahoma Child Support Services (OCSS)" means the state agency designated to administer a statewide plan for child support pursuant to Section 237 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
7. "Person entitled" means:
 - a. a person to whom a support debt or support obligation is owed,
 - b. the OCSS or a public agency of another state that has the right to receive current or accrued support payments or that is providing support enforcement services, or
 - c. a person designated in a support order or as otherwise specified by the court; and
8. "Payment plan" includes, but is not limited to, a plan approved by the court that provides sufficient security to ensure compliance with a support order and/or that incorporates voluntary or involuntary income assignment or a similar plan for periodic payment on an arrearage and, if applicable, current and future support.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 43 O.S. § 139.1 is amended to read as follows:

- A. As used in this section and Section 6-201.1 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes:
 1. "Licensing board" means any bureau, department, division, board, agency or commission of this state or of a municipality in this state that issues a license;
 2. "Noncompliance with an order for support" means that the obligor has failed to make child support payments required by a child support order in an amount equal to the child support payable for at least ninety (90) days or has failed to make full payments pursuant to a court-ordered payment plan for at least ninety (90) days or has failed to obtain or maintain health insurance coverage as required by an order for support for at least ninety (90) days or has failed, after receiving appropriate notice to comply with subpoenas or orders relating to paternity or child support proceedings or has failed to comply with an order to submit to genetic testing to determine paternity;
 3. "Order for support" means any judgment or order for the support of dependent children or an order to submit to genetic testing to determine paternity issued by any court of this state or other state or any judgment or order issued in accordance with an administrative procedure established by state law that affords substantial due process and is subject to judicial review;

4. "License" means any recreational license or permit including, but not limited to, a hunting and fishing license or other authorization issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code, or certificates of title for vessels and motors and other licenses or registrations issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act;
 5. "Obligor" means the person who is required to make payments or comply with other provisions of an order for support;
 6. "Oklahoma Child Support Services (OCSS)" means the state agency designated to administer a statewide plan for child support pursuant to Section 237 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
 7. "Person entitled" means:
 - a. a person to whom a support debt or support obligation is owed,
 - b. the OCSS or a public agency of another state that has the right to receive current or accrued support payments or that is providing support enforcement services, or
 - c. a person designated in a support order or as otherwise specified by the court; and
 8. "Payment plan" includes, but is not limited to, a plan approved by the court that provides sufficient security to ensure compliance with a support order and/or that incorporates voluntary or involuntary income assignment or a similar plan for periodic payment on an arrearage and, if applicable, current and future support.
- B. 1. Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, the district courts of this state are hereby authorized to order the ~~revocation~~, suspension, nonissuance or nonrenewal of a license or the placement of the obligor on probation who is in noncompliance with an order for support.
2. The remedy under this section is in addition to any other enforcement remedy available to the court.
- C. 1. At any hearing involving the support of a child, if the district court finds evidence presented at the hearing that an obligor is in noncompliance with an order for support and the obligor is licensed by any licensing board, the court, in addition to any other enforcement action available, may suspend ~~or revoke~~ the license of the obligor who is in noncompliance with the order of support or place the obligor on probation pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection.
2. a. To be placed on probation, the obligor shall agree to a payment plan to:
1. make all future child support payments as required by the current order during the period of probation, and
 2. pay the full amount of the arrearage:
 - a. by lump sum by a date certain, if the court determines the obligor has the ability, or

- b. by making monthly payments in addition to the monthly child support amount pursuant to Section 137 of this title.
 - b. The payments required to be made pursuant to this section shall continue until the child support arrearage and interest which was the subject of the license ~~revocation~~-suspension action have been paid in full.
3. If the court orders probation, the appropriate licensing board shall not be notified and no action is required of that board.
4. Probation shall be conditioned upon full compliance with the order. If the court grants probation, the probationary period shall not exceed three (3) years.
5. If the obligor is placed on probation, the obligee or OCSS may request a hearing at any time to review the status of the obligor's compliance with the payment plan and to request immediate suspension ~~or revocation~~ of the obligor's license. The obligor shall be served with notice of the hearing by regular mail to the obligor's address of record pursuant to Section 112A of this title.
6. If, by the completion of time allotted for the probationary period, the obligor has failed to fully comply with the terms of probation, the licenses of the obligor shall be automatically suspended ~~or revoked~~ without further hearing for no less than one (1) year and until the obligor has fully complied with the terms of probation and support orders. If the licenses of the obligor are suspended ~~or revoked~~, the obligor may thereafter apply for reinstatement in compliance with subsection D or E of this section.
- D. When all support due is paid in full and the obligor has complied with all other provisions of the order for support, the obligor, the obligee or OCSS may file a motion with the court for reinstatement of the obligor's licenses or termination of probation and the motion shall be set for hearing. If the court finds the obligor has paid all support due in full and has complied with all other provisions of the order for support, the court shall reinstate the obligor's licenses or terminate the probation.
- E.
 1. An obligor whose licenses have been suspended ~~or revoked~~ may file a motion with the court for reinstatement of the licenses of the obligor prior to payment in full of all support due and the motion shall be set for hearing.
 2. The court may reinstate the licenses of the obligor if the obligor has:
 - a. paid the current child support and the monthly arrearage payments each month for the current month and two (2) months immediately preceding, or paid an amount equivalent to three (3) months of child support and arrearage payments which satisfies the current child

- support and monthly arrearage payments for the current month and two (2) months immediately preceding,
- b. disclosed all information regarding health insurance availability and obtained and maintained health insurance coverage required by an order for support,
 - c. complied with all subpoenas and orders relating to paternity or child support proceedings,
 - d. complied with all orders to submit to genetic testing to determine paternity, and
 - e. disclosed all employment and address information.
 - f. the obligor can prove to the satisfaction of the court the suspension would cause undue hardship to the ability of the obligor to earn and/or keep income.
3. If the court terminates the order of suspension, ~~revocation~~, nonissuance or nonrenewal, it shall place the obligor on probation, conditioned upon compliance with any payment plan and the provisions of the order for support.
 4. If the obligor fails to comply with the terms of probation, the court may refuse to reinstate the licenses of the obligor unless the obligor makes additional payments in an amount determined by the court to be sufficient to ensure future compliance, and the obligor complies with the other terms set by the court.
- F. The obligor shall serve on the custodian or the state a copy of the motion for reinstatement of the licenses of the obligor and notice of hearing pursuant to Section 2005 of Title 12 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or if there is an address of record, by regular mail to the address of record on file with the central case registry pursuant to Section 112A of this title. When child support services are being provided pursuant to Section 237 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the obligor shall serve a copy of the motion for reinstatement of the licenses of the obligor on OCSS.
- G. If the court orders termination of the order of suspension or ~~revocation~~, the obligor shall send a copy of the order reinstating the licenses of the obligor to the licensing board, the custodian and OCSS when child support services are being provided pursuant to Section 237 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- H. Entry of this order does not limit the ability of the court to issue a new order requiring the licensing board to ~~revoke or~~ suspend the license of the same obligor in the event of another delinquency or failure to comply.
- I. Upon receipt of a court order to suspend ~~or revoke~~ the license of an obligor, the licensing board shall comply with the order by:

1. Determining if the licensing board has issued a license to the individual whose name appears on the order for support;
 2. Notifying the obligor of the suspension ~~or revocation~~;
 3. Demanding surrender of the license, if required;
 4. Entering the suspension ~~or revocation~~ of the license on the appropriate records; and
 5. Reporting the suspension ~~or revocation~~ of the license as appropriate.
- J. Upon receipt of a court order to not issue or not renew the license of an obligor, the licensing board shall implement by:
1. Determining if the licensing board has received an application for issuance or renewal of a license from the individual whose name appears on the order of support;
 2. Notifying the obligor of the nonissuance or nonrenewal; and
 3. Entering the nonissuance or nonrenewal of the license as appropriate.
- K. An order, issued by the court, directing the licensing board to suspend, ~~revoke~~, not issue or not renew the license of the obligor shall be processed and implemented by the licensing board without any additional review or hearing and shall continue until the court or appellate court advises the licensing board by order that the suspension, ~~revocation~~, nonissuance or nonrenewal is terminated.
- L. The licensing board has no jurisdiction to modify, remand, reverse, vacate, or stay the order of the court for the suspension, ~~revocation~~, nonissuance or nonrenewal of a license.
- M. In the event of suspension, revocation, nonissuance or nonrenewal of a license, any funds paid by the obligor to the licensing board for costs related to issuance, renewal, or maintenance of a license shall not be refunded to the obligor.
- N. A licensing board may charge the obligor a fee to cover the administrative costs incurred by the licensing board to administer the provisions of this section. Fees collected pursuant to this section by a licensing board which has an agency revolving fund shall be deposited in the agency revolving fund for the use by the licensing board to pay the costs of administering this section. Otherwise, the administrative costs shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund of the state.
- O. Each licensing board shall promulgate rules necessary for the implementation and administration of this section.
- P. The licensing board is exempt from liability to the obligor for activities conducted in compliance with Section 139 et seq. of this title.

Q. A final order entered pursuant to this section may be appealed to the Supreme Court of Oklahoma pursuant to Section 990A of Title 12 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

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Senate Bill No. ORU-011

By: Ramsey (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to parental rights; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Step-Parents are Parents too” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Stepparent” means an individual who is the spouse or surviving spouse of a parent of a minor, but who is not a legal parent of the minor.
2. “Custodial Parent” the protective care or guardianship of a minor child that includes decision-making rights for housing, education, and medical decisions.
3. “Married” means the legally or formally recognized union of two people as partners in a personal relationship
4. “Minor” means any person who has not attained the age of eighteen (18) years;
5. “Parent” means an individual who is the biological or adoptive parent of a child or who is legally recognized as a mother or father of a child. The term “parent” does not include an individual whose parental relationship to a child has been terminated;
6. “Child” means any person who has not attained the age of eighteen (18) years who is in the court-ordered custody of the Department of Human Services or a federally recognized Indian tribe, as defined by the federal Indian Child Welfare Act and the Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Act.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. A step-parent shall reserve the right to file a petition with the courts for equal parental rights as the spouse who is the biological parent to the minor child to be heard in court no later than ninety (90) days of filing and no shorter than fifteen (15) days after serving both biological parents
2. Both biological parents do not need to consent to this petition
 - A. Only the biological parent who is the spouse of the petitioner needs to consent
 - B. The other biological parent reserves the right to appeal the petition
 - I. If that parent cannot afford counsel, one will be appointed by the county.
3. The step-parent shall share equal custody rights regarding a minor child if the following conditions are met:
 - A. The stepparent is legally married to the biological parent who possesses custodial rights of the minor child for no less than one (1) year.
 - B. The other biological parent meets the qualifications of abandonment, neglect or abuse as determined by the judge based on the following criteria:
 - I. “Abandonment” includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 1. The parent has left the minor alone or in the care of another who is not the parent of the minor without identifying the minor or furnishing a means of identification for the minor, the whereabouts of the parents are unknown, and the minor's identity cannot be ascertained by the exercise of reasonable diligence,
 2. The parent has voluntarily left the minor alone or in the care of another who is not the parent of the minor and expressed a willful intent by words, actions, or omissions not to return for the minor, or
 3. The parent fails to maintain a substantial and positive relationship with the minor for a period of six (6) consecutive months out of the last fourteen (14) months immediately preceding the filing of a petition for termination of parental rights. For purposes of this section, “establish and/or maintain a substantial, positive relationship” includes but is not limited to:
 - a. frequent and regular contact with the minor through frequent and regular visitation or frequent, regular communication to or with the minor, and
 - b. exercising parental rights and responsibilities.
Incidental or token visits or communications shall not

be sufficient to establish or maintain a substantial and positive relationship with the minor.

- c. The term "abandonment" shall not include when a parent has relinquished a minor to or placed the minor in the custody of a licensed child-placing agency or other court-appointed individual
4. The step-parent shall have the same custodial parental rights as the biological parent to which they are married.
5. Should the petition be approved, the rights of the other biological parent who is not the spouse shall not have their rights terminated unless otherwise stated in the court proceedings.
6. Biological parents who are active and present in the life of the minor child will always supersede the rights of the step-parent.
7. The rights of the step-parent will be automatically terminated in the event of divorce or criminal charges pending further review.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person acting with malice against the best interest of the child will face a fine up to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) and any additional requirements determined by the court up to and including incarceration if the courts find a crime has been committed

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

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Senate Bill No. ORU-012

By: Wall (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to high school sports in the state of Oklahoma; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Inclusive Sports” Act of 2023. This act will cover the participation of homeschooled students in high school sports in the state of Oklahoma.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. High school: a school that typically comprises grades nine (9) through twelve (12), attended after primary school or middle school.
- B. Homeschool: educate (one's child) at home instead of sending them to a school.
- C. Sports: an activity involving physical exertion and skill in which an individual or team competes against another or others for entertainment.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. Enacted under the Oklahoma State Department of Education, which will allow homeschool students to participate in extracurricular sports through the public school they are zoned for.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any school found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to loss of government funding.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

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Senate Bill No. ORU-013

By: Wall (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to corporal punishment in the state of Oklahoma; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Safe Students” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. Public school: any kindergarten through twelfth (k-12) school supported by public funds.
 - B. Corporal punishment: physical punishment, such as caning or flogging.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
- A. Enacted under the Oklahoma State Department of Education, which will ban the use of corporal punishment in public schools.
- Section 4. PENALTIES
- A. Any school found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to loss of two percent (2%) of government funding.
- Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
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Senate Bill No. OSU-001

By: Friesen (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Changing Stations; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Changing Stations for All” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

1. Public Property - Any property that is not owned by a private individual or company, belonging to the public at large and not to any one person, covering premises and facilities that are owned by the government or a community.
2. Private Property - Legal designation of ownership of property by non-governmental legal entities.
3. Floor Area Ratio (FAR) - A critical measurement in the field of planning, quantifying the intensity of development by calculating the ratio of a building’s total floor area (or gross floor area) in proportion to the size of the piece of land upon which it is built.
4. Universal Changing Station - An adult changing table placed within an enclosed restroom facility, or other similar private facility, that is for use by babies, older children, the elderly, and adults with disabilities or special health care needs containing a height-adjustable adult changing table that is either freestanding or floor- or wall-mounted with a safety rail and can be used by a person of either sex, with their care provider, for personal hygiene and safety purposes.
5. Restroom Facility- A room or suite of rooms in a public space providing toilets and lavatories, including but not limited to male, female, family, and gender-neutral.
6. Physical Disability - A condition of physical incapacitation due to a developmental disability, organic brain damage, mental illness, or one or more physical or mental limitations that restrict a person’s ability to perform the normal activities of daily living.
7. Baby Changing Station - A small rectangular table with raised sides for use when changing a baby’s diaper or other hygiene purposes, usually with

storage space underneath or, in a public restroom facility folding down from the wall.

8. Residential Property - Property zoned specifically for living or dwelling for individuals or households; it may include standalone single-family dwellings to large, multi-unit apartment buildings.
9. Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission (OUBCC) - Serving agency that sets the minimum building codes for all residential and commercial construction within the State of Oklahoma.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. All new construction of a public or private building or facility with a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) greater than 1.0 commenced after this bill's effective date, and all renovations in excess of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) of an existing public or private building or facility commenced after this bill's effective date, shall install and maintain at least one universal changing station in an enclosed restroom facility or a reasonable substitute (ie: lactation room, washroom, nursing room, etc.) for persons of all sex who have a physical disability.
 - a. The entrance to each universal changing station shall have accessible signage indicating the location of the changing station and, if the building or venue has a central directory, the owner shall ensure that the central directory indicates the location of the universal changing station.
 - b. The universal changing station restroom facility confines shall measure at least eight (8) feet by ten (10) feet and, per governance and rules of the Americans with Disabilities Act, provide adequate space for an adult-sized wheelchair to maneuver; be equipped with a height-adjustable adult changing table, a sink, a waste receptacle, a soap dispenser, and a paper towel dispenser; and comply with current accessibility standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
 - i. The height-adjustable adult changing table in the universal changing station shall:
 1. Be able to lower to a height of no less than eight (8) inches and raise to a height of no less than thirty-four (34) inches.
 2. Be at least twenty-five (25) inches wide by seventy-two (72) inches in length.
 3. Support up to at least three-hundred-fifty (350) pounds.
2. All new construction of a public or private building or facility with a FAR less than or equal to 1.0 commenced after this bill's effective date, and all renovations requiring a permit or in excess of Two-Thousand Dollars

(\$2,000.00) but less than Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) of an existing public or private building or facility commenced after this bill's effective date, shall install and maintain at least one baby changing station in an enclosed restroom facility for persons of all sex who have a physical disability.

- a. The baby changing station, per governance and rules of the Americans with Disabilities Act, shall have adequate space for an adult-sized wheelchair to maneuver; adequate knee clearance, force to use not exceeding five (5) pounds, adequate work surface above the floor; and comply with current accessibility standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
3. In the event a property has a proper male-female restroom substitute, such as a gender-neutral or family restroom, both the Universal and Baby Changing station requirement(s) would be fulfilled assuming these were located within this restroom(s) confines.
4. This act will not apply to any form of residential property.
5. All renovations and new constructions would not be required to implement rulings of this bill unless beginning after this bill's effectiveness date.
6. This act will not apply to specific companies within a rented-out space but to buildings as a whole as it pertains to the "universal changing stations", however, this bill will pertain to specific companies within a rented-out space as it pertains to "baby changing stations".
7. A state governmental entity, public corporation, or private corporation may coordinate and cooperate with a nonprofit entity to carry out the provisions of this act.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual(s) found in violation of Section 3.1 by the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission (OUBCC) shall face a fine not exceeding Five-Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the first (1st) violation.
 - i. There is an established grace period of six (6) months or one (1) yearly inspection (whichever comes first), however, upon a second, and all subsequent violations, the individual(s) will face a fine of One-Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)
2. Any individual(s) found in violation of Section 3.2 by the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission (OUBCC) shall face a fine not exceeding Two-Hundred-and-Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for the first (1st) violation.
 - i. There is an established grace period of six (6) months or one (1) yearly inspection (whichever comes first), however, upon a second, and all

subsequent violations, the individual(s) will face a fine of Five-Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1st, 2026 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
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Senate Bill No. OSU-002

By: Friesen (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to dumping goldfish; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “How to Break Up with Your Goldfish” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

1. Goldfish- A small reddish-golden Eurasian carp that is often kept as a pet in a bowl or backyard pond
2. Public Waters- Waters open of right to the use of the general public, specifically navigable waters
3. Private Waters- Any body of water by which the shorelines are entirely within the land owned by a person, with outflows that may or may not provide direct access to public waters
4. Humane Disposal- Euthanasia by or under the direct supervision of a veterinarian or placement in a suitable home or animal shelter

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. All persons are not allowed to dispose of any species of goldfish into any form of public or private waters without explicitly granted approval from the respective private owner or governmental body.
 - a. Explicitly granted approval can be either on a species-to-species basis or a person-to-person basis but remains situational upon the discretion and approval from the respective owner (public or private).
2. Further advocacy and education shall be implemented through the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife (ODW) for online forms, social media groups dedicated to aquariums and fish hobbyists, and fish adoption centers and stores all for the purposes of relocation and adoption of these unwanted pets.
3. Further advocacy and education shall be implemented through the ODW for local veterinarians or pet retailers for the purposes of humane disposal.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual(s) found in violation of Section 3.1 shall face a fine of One-Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) minimum to One-Thousand-Dollars (\$1,000.00) maximum, subject to situational review by the ODW.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days upon passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OSU-003

By: Hurlbut (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to alcoholic beverages; providing for a short title; amending 37A OS § 6-101; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Freedom of Container” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 37A OS § 6-101 is amended to read as follows:

A. No person shall:

1. Knowingly sell, deliver or furnish alcoholic beverages to any person under twenty-one (21) years of age;
2. Sell, deliver or knowingly furnish alcoholic beverages to an intoxicated person or to any person who has been adjudged insane or mentally deficient;
3. ~~Open a retail container or consume alcoholic beverages on the premises of a package store, grocery store, convenience store or drug store, unless otherwise permitted by law;~~
4. Import into this state, except as provided for in the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, any alcoholic beverages; provided, that nothing herein shall prohibit the importation or possession for personal use of not more than one (1) liter of alcoholic beverages upon which the Oklahoma excise tax is delinquent;
5. Receive, possess or use any alcoholic beverage in violation of the provisions of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act;
6. Knowingly transport into, within or through this state more than one (1) liter of alcoholic beverages upon which the Oklahoma excise tax has not been paid unless the person accompanying or in charge of the vehicle transporting same shall possess a true copy of a bill of lading, invoice, manifest or other document particularly identifying that alcoholic beverages are being transported and showing the name and address of the consignor and consignee; provided, this prohibition shall not apply to the first one hundred eighty (180) liters of alcoholic beverages classified as household goods by military personnel, age

twenty-one (21) or older, when entering Oklahoma from temporary active assignment outside the contiguous United States;

7. ~~Knowingly transport in any vehicle upon a public highway, street or alley any alcoholic beverage except in the original container which shall not have been opened and the seal upon which shall not have been broken and from which the original cap or cork shall not have been removed, unless the opened container be in the rear trunk or rear compartment, which shall include the spare tire compartment in a vehicle commonly known as a station wagon and panel truck, or any outside compartment which is not accessible to the driver or any other person in the vehicle while it is in motion;~~
8. ~~Consume spirits in public except on the premises of a licensee of the ABLE Commission who is authorized to sell or serve spirits by the individual drink, or be intoxicated in a public place. This provision shall be cumulative and in addition to existing law;~~
9. Forcibly resist lawful arrest, or by physical contact interfere with an investigation of any infringement of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act or with any lawful search or seizure being made by a law enforcement officer or an employee of the ABLE Commission, when such person knows or should know that such acts are being performed by a state, county or municipal officer or employee of the ABLE Commission;
10. Manufacture, duplicate, counterfeit or in any way imitate any bottle club membership card required to be issued by the ABLE Commission without the permission of the ABLE Commission;
11. Consume or possess alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises of a bottle club unless such person possesses a valid membership card for that club issued by the club;
12. Knowingly possess any bottle club membership card required to be issued by the ABLE Commission which has been manufactured, counterfeited, imitated or in any way duplicated without the permission of the ABLE Commission; or
13. Knowingly and willfully permit any individual under twenty-one (21) years of age who is an invitee to the person's residence, any building, structure or room owned, occupied, leased or otherwise procured by the person or on any land owned, occupied, leased or otherwise procured by the person, to possess or consume any alcoholic beverage as defined by Section 1-103 of this title, any controlled dangerous substance as defined in the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act, or any combination thereof, in such place.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OSU-004

By: Johnson (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to preventing trauma; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Brighter Futures Oklahoma” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Screening - A brief, focused inquiry process to determine whether an individual has experienced one or more traumatic events, has reactions to such events, and/or has specific mental or behavioral health needs.
2. Maltreatment - Any form of neglect or abuse, whether physical, sexual, or emotional.
3. Trauma - An emotional response to a deeply distressing or tragic event. Responses can manifest psychologically in the form of unpredictable emotions, flashbacks, or strained relationships, or physically in the form of headaches or nausea.
4. Mental Health Professional - Individual licensed for independent practice or having supervised experience in assessment or psychotherapy with child survivors of trauma.
5. The Traumatic Events Screening Inventory (TESI-C) - Trauma screening procedure recommended by the National Child Traumatic Stress Network designed to determine exposure to potentially traumatic experiences in children aged three to seventeen (3-17) years old.
6. Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) or Adversity - Stressful events occurring during childhood. Includes but is not limited to: all forms of abuse and neglect, family or community violence, serious accidents/injuries, parental loss, poverty, and discrimination.
7. Administration - Professionals within the school including the principal, assistant principals, instructional coordinators, counselors, or other support staff.

8. At risk - In danger of being harmed by someone else, harming one's self, or harming others.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Requiring all public Oklahoma elementary schools to implement existing tools and protocols for the screening of maltreatment and/or trauma in students.
 - a. The Traumatic Events Screening Inventory (TESI-C) shall be used to assess the risk of adverse childhood experiences and/or the presence of trauma in students.
 - i. Screenings are to be conducted during class time throughout a week-long period, not to take place during lunch or recess periods. All screenings must be completed no later than the end of the first month of the academic year.
 - ii. Screening teams must be one composed of one PhD-level clinician and an administrative staff member. Additional mental health professionals may be present at the discretion of the clinician and administration.
 - iii. Parental/caregiver screening consent forms will be distributed during the first week of school and should be returned within a week of distribution.
 - b. The school administration and mental health professional shall be required to complete training protocols, assess individual results upon completion of screenings, and provide referrals to children determined to be at risk.
 - i. The State Department of Education will help to provide a qualified mental health professional for administering TESI-C screenings.
 - ii. The TESI-C is available for distribution free of charge for clinicians and administration. Trauma screening expectations and procedures are outlined within its text.
 - iii. School administration is responsible for the consultation and collaboration with local social services to offer referrals to students considered to be at risk.
 - iv. Referrals deemed necessary based on individual results must be made no later than two months after the completion of screenings.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Failure to conduct screenings before the end of the first month of the academic year (or failure to conduct screenings entirely) will result in a civil

penalty fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000) and a potential risk of suspension or termination for non-complying parties.

2. Failure by staff members to inform students showing signs of trauma of potential social service resources available to them will result in a civil penalty fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000).
3. The State of Oklahoma reserves the right to audit all statewide public elementary education entities on an annual basis to ensure compliance with the rules and regulations outlined.

Section 5. This act shall become effective by the beginning of the 2025-2026 academic year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OSU-005

By: Johnson (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to environmental justice; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification, providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Environmental Equality” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Inequity - Differences in status or distribution of resources between different population groups, arising from the social conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age.
2. Environmental Health Standards - The requirements for air, water, and land quality outlined by Oklahoma Environmental Quality Act and the Oklahoma Clean Air Act (27A O.S. §§ 2-1-101 et seq.) These acts set health and safety standards protecting the livelihood of Oklahomans and encouraging preservation of land.
3. Environmental Justice - The fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin or income, with respect to the development, implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations and policies.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. The establishment of a committee within the Oklahoma State Legislature dedicated to investigating and addressing inequities in environmental health standards within the state.
 - a. This committee will collaborate with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) to identify populations

experiencing environmental health inequities based on the most recent census data available and any complaints received by the DEQ office.

- b. The DEQ will use resources available from the EPA and ACOG or collaborate with them to collect information related to environmental justice in the state. Using information published by these groups and data already collected by the DEQ, the Executive Director of the DEQ will create a report to be presented to the committee on a semi-annual basis.
- c. If the DEQ finds any additional data on matters of environmental justice relevant to the state, they have an obligation to report it to the committee.
- d. The committee will be tasked with making policy recommendations to the Governor that support environmental justice initiatives and combat subsequent health inequities within the state based on the information presented in reports.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Failure by the Executive Director of the DEQ to communicate concerns related to environmental justice to the committee will result in a civil penalty fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000).
2. Failure by the committee to communicate semi-annual report findings or developments in state environmental justice concerns to the Governor will result in an investigation.
3. The State of Oklahoma reserves the right to audit the DEQ on an annual basis to ensure compliance with the rules and regulations outlined.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

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Senate Bill No. OSU-006

By: Marks (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public schools; providing short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Sleep In” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Oklahoma public schools (day) will commence as follows–
 - a. Elementary schools shall start school at 9:00 A.M.
 - b. Middle schools shall start school at 8:45 A.M.
 - c. High schools shall start school at 8:30 A.M.

Section 3. This act shall become effective in the academic year of 2024-2025.

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Senate Bill No. OSU-007

By: Marks (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to emergency dispatchers; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Dispatcher” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Dispatcher: The individual whom answers emergency phone lines, such as 911 calls.
2. Psychiatric assistance: Appointment(s) with the Oklahoma State Department of Health with a licensed professional counselor.
3. Licensed Professional Counselor: mental health service provider with at least a master’s degree.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. All dispatchers shall receive free psychiatric assistance provided by the Oklahoma State Department of Health, within one (1) full business day of reaching out to the department.
 - a. These resources shall include a list of licensed professional counselors (which includes the sixty-eight (68) County Health Departments and the two (2) independent city health departments) on The Oklahoma State Department of Health Website and in hard copy form at any place in which a dispatcher shall perform their duties.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OSU-008

By: Minton (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to absentee voting; providing short title; amending 26 O.S. § 14-105; amending 26 O.S. § 14-106; amending 26 O.S. § 14-108.1; amending 26 O.S. § 14-121.1; amending 26 O.S. § 14-133; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Pursuing Absentee Voting Enhancements (P. A. V. E.),” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 14-105 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Any registered voter may apply for an absentee ballot in person at the county election board, by United States mail, by facsimile device as defined in Section 1862 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes or by a means of electronic communication designated by the Secretary of the State Election Board. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall prescribe a form to be used for the application, although any application setting forth substantially the same facts shall be valid.
- B. ~~1-~~A registered voter applying for an absentee ballot in person or by means of United States mail, facsimile device, or electronic communication shall provide his or her name, birth date, an identification number, phone number, electronic mail address, and other information as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board. The name, birth date, and identification number provided on the application must match the name, birth date, and identification Oklahoma Statutes - Title 26. Elections Page 149 number in the voter registration record in order to apply for an absentee ballot pursuant to this subsection.
 1. ~~2-~~If the voter does not recall which identification number he or she included in the voter registration record, the voter may provide multiple identification numbers, at least one of which must match the identification number in the voter registration record if such record included an identification number. If the name, birth date, or any identification number provided does not match the voter registration record, the voter shall be

informed via electronic mail and phone of the failure to match the voter registration record and shall be provided information and instruction to contact the county election board.

2. ~~3-~~ If the voter registration record on file with the county election board does not contain a birth date or identification number, ~~the voter shall not be eligible to apply for an absentee ballot by means of electronic communication but may apply for an absentee ballot pursuant to subsection C of this section.~~ 4. the voter shall be informed via electronic mail and phone of the missing information. Identifying information such as birth date and identification number shall ~~not~~ be able to be modified online in an existing voter registration, except as provided in Section 4-109.4 of this title.
 3. ~~5. No later than January 1, 2023, a registered voter applying for an absentee ballot pursuant to this subsection who meets the criteria provided in Section 7-115.1 of this title shall be required to confirm his or her address prior to submitting an application for absentee ballot by means of electronic communication. In the event that the voter's residential address as written on an absentee ballot request is not the same as the address listed, the voter shall be informed via electronic mail and phone by the county election board. The voter's address shall then be able to be updated online in the existing voter registration portal. The voter shall be denied an absentee ballot if this update is not done thirty (30) days prior to the election, and the voter shall be informed via electronic mail and phone that they are still eligible for voting in person during any remaining early voting times and on election day.~~
- C. ~~1. A registered voter applying for an absentee ballot in person, by United States mail, or by facsimile device shall provide his or her name, birth date, an identification number, and other information as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board. The name, birth date, and identification number provided on the application must match the name, birth date, and identification number in the voter registration record.~~
2. ~~If the voter does not recall which identification number he or she included in the voter registration record, the voter may provide multiple identification numbers, at least one of which must match the identification number in the voter registration record if such record included an identification number. If the voter registration record does not contain a birth date or an identification number, the absentee ballot application shall be accepted without a match of a birth date or an identification number.~~

~~D. For purposes of this section, "identification number" means a number submitted on the registration application pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection A of Section 4-112 of this title.~~

Section 3. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 14-106 is amended to read as follows:

- A. When such application is received by the secretary of a county election board, it shall be ~~his~~ their duty to verify the registration of said voter, contact the voter in case of problems as defined in Section 14-105 of this Title via electronic mail and phone, and to transmit, by United States mail, ballots, accompanied by materials as described in Section 14-107 of this Title, which said voter has requested and is entitled to receive.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 14-108.1 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Neither a notary public nor an agent working on behalf of a notary public shall be authorized to:
1. Request absentee ballots on behalf of a voter other than himself or herself;
 2. Assist a voter in requesting absentee ballots, other than for himself or herself or a member of his or her household;
 3. Receive by mail an absentee ballot on behalf of a voter, other than for himself or herself or a member of his or her household; or
 4. Submit a completed absentee ballot on behalf of a voter other than for himself or herself or a member of his or her household.
- B. A notary public shall maintain a log of all absentee ballot affidavits that he or she notarizes for a period of at least two (2) years after the date of the election.
Oklahoma Statutes - Title 26. Elections Page 152
- C. ~~1. A notary public shall be authorized to notarize a maximum of twenty absentee ballot affidavits for a single election, except as provided in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this subsection.~~
~~2. A notary public may be authorized to notarize more than twenty absentee ballot affidavits at a single election with the written approval of the secretary of the county election board. Such approval shall apply for affidavits notarized within the county served by the county election board secretary.~~
~~3. The limitation required by this subsection shall not apply to the notarizing of absentee ballot affidavits at the place of business of a notary public that is open to the general public during the normal business hours of the notary public.~~
- D. 1. If more than ten absentee ballots for a single election are requested to be mailed to a single mailing address, the secretary of the county election board

shall immediately notify the district attorney for that county and the Secretary of the State Election Board.

2. Upon receipt of such notification, the district attorney, or a member of law enforcement designated by the district attorney, shall investigate any possible criminal violation of the law related to the absentee ballot requests.

3. Provided, this notification requirement shall not apply to requests for absentee ballots to be sent to the addresses of nursing homes, veterans centers, medical facilities, multiunit housing, installations of the Armed Forces of the United States where uniformed or overseas voters, as defined by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, are stationed or other locations authorized in writing by the Secretary of the State Election Board. E. The provisions of this section shall only apply to an election conducted by a county election board, the State Election Board or a political subdivision of this state.

E. The provisions of this section shall only apply to an election conducted by a county election board, the State Election Board or a political subdivision of this state.

Section 5. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 14-121.1 is amended to read as follows:

A. A registered voter whose application for an absentee ballot is on file and who lost, ~~or did not receive absentee ballots, or their absentee ballot was rejected~~ may apply for a second set of absentee ballots if more than seven (7) days have passed since the ballots were transmitted to the voter by the county election board. To receive a second set of ballots, the voter must swear or affirm that the voter lost or did not receive the original set of ballots for that election and that the voter will vote only one set of ballots. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall prescribe a form to be used for such application, although any written application setting forth substantially the same facts shall be valid. The written application for replacement ballots shall be personally signed by the voter and acknowledged before a notary public or witnessed as required on the affidavit for return of the original absentee ballots, and may be transmitted to the county election board in person by the voter, by United States mail or by Oklahoma Statutes - Title 26. Elections Page 168 an agent designated by the voter. The person transmitting such application on behalf of the voter may be anyone of the voter's choosing at least sixteen (16) years of age, provided said person is not employed by or related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to any person whose name appears on the ballot. No person may be the agent for more than one voter at any election. Such a

second ballot set shall be transmitted by the voter to the county election board in the same manner as provided in the original set.

- B. A registered voter whose application for an absentee ballot is on file and who lost, did not receive their absentee ballot, or their absentee ballot was rejected may vote in person at their polling station through the use of a provisional ballot. When casting the provisional ballot, the registered voter must fill out and sign an affidavit explaining the absentee ballot did not arrive or was lost, and the affirmation shall include that the provisional ballot shall become the official ballot for the registered voter.

Section 6. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 14-133 is amended to read as follows:

- A. In the event a voter's application or affidavit is rejected for any reason, the secretary of the county election board shall immediately notify said voter in writing of the rejection and the reason therefore, and it shall include how to correct the mistake by requesting a new ballot under 26 O.S. § 14-121.1.

Section 7. This act shall become effective July 1st, 2024.

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Senate Bill No. OSU-009

By: Minton (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to campaign finance; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 74A O.S. § 2.43; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Campaign Equity” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Childcare - The care, supervision, and nurturing of children, typically by someone other than their own parents or legal guardians.
2. Salary - A regular payment, typically given on a monthly or biweekly basis, made by an employer to an employee.
3. Unemployed - Any person who does not have full-time work, part-time work, contract work, is self-employed, or receiving retirement benefits.
4. Per-Week Basis - The amount of salary for work within a position divided between fifty-two (52) weeks.
5. Candidacy Position - The position in which the candidate is running for.
6. Incumbent - The candidate currently holds the candidacy position in which they are running for.
7. Elected or Appointed Position - The candidate holds another office in the State of Oklahoma that is either sought through an election or is designated, nominated, selected, assigned, or commissioned to an individual that receives a salary.
8. Primary Election - An election in which political parties select their candidate for the general or special election.
9. General or Special Election - An election in which voters have the choice between candidates for a position in which the person with the most votes is declared the victor.
10. Audit - A systematic and documented process for obtaining financial evidence and evaluating it objectively to determine the extent to which specified criteria are fulfilled.

11. Misappropriated Funds - Money used or spent in any way prohibited by law.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 74A O.S. § 2.43 is amended to read as follows:

1. Contributions to a candidate committee may be used to make expenditures for ordinary and necessary campaign expenses, for contributions to another candidate committee, for operating expenses of the committee or for other purposes not otherwise prohibited by law or these Rules.
 - A. “Ordinary and necessary campaign expenses” as used in this section are those that would not exist but for the candidate’s campaign, including but not limited to staff salaries, campaign consulting fees, rent (other than for the candidate’s residence or part of a residence), childcare, travel, advertising, telephones, office supplies and equipment, fundraising, individual memberships in political organizations, individual memberships in civic or charitable organizations, legal fees for the campaign, payment for campaign accounting or bookkeeping services or campaign finance reporting services and repayment of the principal and interest on a loan as permitted by these Rules.
2. Contributions to a candidate committee may be used to provide for a salary for a candidate during a campaign if the candidate is unemployed at the time of the campaign.
 - A. The salary of a candidate on a per-week basis shall not exceed that of a salary for the candidacy position.
 - B. A candidate is not eligible for a salary from their campaign if they fall under any of the following circumstances:
 - I. The Candidate is an incumbent for the position.
 - II. The Candidate is in another elected or appointed position within the State of Oklahoma.
 - II. The primary election is more than six (6) months away.
 - C. Any candidate who receives a salary from their campaign committee shall not be eligible to file for unemployment within the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission or disability or social security within the Social Security Administration.
 - D. Any candidate committee who chooses to provide the candidate with a salary shall file with the Oklahoma Ethics Commission.
 - E. Any candidate committee shall cease providing a salary to a candidate when under any of the following circumstances:
 - I. Voting has ended for the primary election. The campaign committee shall be eligible to continue paying the salary once the candidate is

announced to have won this election, and the candidate is continuing to the general or special election.

3. Expenditures made to a family member of the candidate for services provided to the campaign shall be no more than customary compensation for those services.
4. Expenditures made to reimburse a candidate for personal expenditures made on behalf of the candidate committee must be made within ninety (90) days of the original expenditure and must be reported in detail as required by Rule 2.106.

Section 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. The Oklahoma Ethics Commission shall create a form for campaign committees who provide the candidate with a salary as pursuant to Rule 2.43 Section 2 Subsection D.
 - a. On said form, the Oklahoma Ethics Commission shall supply the salary amount in which a candidate shall be eligible to receive from their campaign committee.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Any candidate who is provided any money personally by their Campaign Committee outside of the limits provided by Rule 2.43 of 74 O.S. Appendix I or does not file their salary with the Oklahoma Ethics Commission shall be subject to the following.
 - i. The Campaign Committee shall be audited by the Oklahoma Ethics Commission.
 - ii. If they are found to have violated the rule above, the candidate shall be subject to a fine equal to any misappropriated funds to be paid to the Oklahoma Ethics Commission.

Section 6. This act shall become effective January 1st, 2025.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OSU-010

By: Minton (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to election dates; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 26 O.S. § 1-102; amending 26 O.S. §1-103; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Devising Uniform Dates of Elections (D.U.D.E.)” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Primary Election - An election in which political parties select their candidate for the general or special election.
2. Public Office - A position that is elected and requires the individual to uphold the trust and perform the duties related to that specific role.
3. Special Election - An election in which voters have the choice between candidates for a position in which the person with the most votes is declared the victor for a position that has gone through a vacancy.
4. Run Off Election - A subsequent election held to determine a winner of an election when no candidate receives the required threshold of votes in the primary election. This typically occurs in systems where a candidate must receive a majority (more than 50%) of votes to be elected, rather than merely a plurality (more votes than any other candidate).
5. School Board - A governing body responsible for making decisions about the administration and operations of local public schools.
6. General Election - An election in which voters have the choice between candidates for a position in which the person with the most votes is declared the victor.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 1-102 is amended to read as follows:

1. A Primary Election shall be held on the ~~last Tuesday in June~~ first Tuesday of March of each even-numbered year, at which time each political party

recognized by the laws of Oklahoma shall nominate its candidates for the offices to be filled at the next succeeding General Election, ~~unless otherwise provided by law.~~

- A. No primary election for public office, providing exception to special elections, shall be held on any date outside of the date provided in this statute.
 - B. Any locality or municipality that seeks to hold a primary election on a different date than provided in this statute may request an exception from the State Board of Elections provided no state or federal primary elections are supposed to be on the same ballot.
2. No candidate's name shall be printed upon the General Election ballot unless such candidate shall have been nominated as herein provided, unless otherwise provided by law; provided further that this provision shall not exclude the right of a nonpartisan candidate to have his or her name printed upon the General Election ballots.
 3. No county, municipality or school district shall schedule an election on any date during the twenty (20) days immediately preceding the date of any such primary election.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 1-103 is amended to read as follows:

1. If at any Primary Election no candidate for the nomination for office of any political party receives a majority of all votes cast for all candidates of such party for the office, no candidate shall be nominated by such party for the office, but the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes at such election shall be placed on the official ballot as candidates for such nomination at a Runoff Primary Election to be held on the ~~fourth Tuesday of August~~ third Tuesday of June in the same year.
 - A. No run off election for public office, providing exception to special elections, shall be held on any date outside of the date provided in this statute.
 - B. Any locality or municipality that seeks to hold a run off election on a different date than provided in this statute may request an exception from the State Board of Elections provided no state or federal runoff elections share supposed to be on the same ballot.
2. No county, municipality or school district shall schedule an election on any date during the twenty (20) days immediately preceding the date of any such Runoff Primary Election.

Section 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Primary elections for school boards across the state of Oklahoma shall be held on the first Tuesday of March of each even-numbered year, providing that the individual school board rules dictate that a primary election shall be held for said race.
 - A. No school board primary election, providing exception to special elections, shall be held on any date outside of the date provided in this statute.
2. General elections for school boards across the state of Oklahoma shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November of each even-numbered year.
 - A. No school board general election, providing exception to special elections, shall be held on any date outside of the date provided in this statute.
3. School board rules for every district shall be updated to reflect these statutes. Following the update, the school board shall send their updated rules to the State Board of Elections to ensure the rules are reflective of these statutes.

Section 6. This act shall become effective November 6th, 2024.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OSU-011

By: L. Smith (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to stalking prevention; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. § 1173.1; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Stalking Letter Reform” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1173 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Whenever a law enforcement agency receives a complaint of stalking and finds that such conduct has occurred, the law enforcement agency shall ~~be required~~ inform the complainant of their option to request the law enforcement agency to provide a copy of a Stalking Warning Letter to the accused, ~~provided that the victim does not otherwise request that such letter not be served upon the accused.~~ The Stalking Warning Letter shall be served upon the accused in the same manner as a bench warrant. If the service is to be in another county, the court clerk may issue service to the sheriff by facsimile or other electronic transmission for service by the sheriff and may receive the return of service from the sheriff in the same manner.
- B. The following statutory form of the Stalking Warning Letter, as required by the provisions of subsection A of this section, shall be utilized by law enforcement agencies throughout the state:

_____ COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA
CITY OF _____
RE: _____

(COMPLAINANT)

Stalking Warning Letter served to: _____

(HOME ADDRESS)

(DATE OF BIRTH)

The _____ has recently investigated a complaint

(LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY)

about your behavior towards the above-named individual.

The behavior you have engaged in could be interpreted as "stalking" as provided for in Section 1173 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Stalking can be described as intentionally engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person under the same circumstances to suffer serious emotional distress, or place the specific person in reasonable fear of bodily injury. Your behavior has induced such fear or distress in the above-named individual.

Oklahoma law makes stalking a crime. The _____
(LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY)
takes this law very seriously.

Please consider this a formal warning that any future conduct by you towards the above-named individual could result in arrest by law enforcement and prosecution by the _____ County District Attorney's Office.

Print name of Chief of Law Enforcement Agency

Signature of Chief of Law Enforcement Agency

Served in hand _____ by _____
(DATE) (NAME OF OFFICER)

On behalf of the _____
(LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY)

at _____
(LOCATION)

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OSU-012

By: L. Smith (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Bigfoot; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Bigfoot Hunting Season” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

1. “Bigfoot” means the legendary and cryptid creature often reported in folklore and alleged sightings, primarily in North American wilderness areas, such as remote, forested regions. Descriptions of Bigfoot vary, but it is typically described as a large, ape-like or human-like creature, covered in hair or fur, and standing around seven (7) to ten (10) feet tall. Bigfoot is commonly referred to as “Sasquatch.”
2. “Bigfoot hunting” means the act of actively seeking and pursuing the legendary creature known as Bigfoot, with the intent to capture or document the existence of said creature. This includes, but is not limited to, activities such as tracking, baiting, trapping, photography, videography, and the collection of any physical evidence (e.g., hair samples, footprints) with the aim of confirming the presence of Bigfoot.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation shall establish and maintain a year-round Bigfoot hunting season.
2. The hunting of Bigfoot shall be subject to the same regulations, licensing requirements, and safety measures as other game species within the state.
3. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall develop and promote guidelines for responsible Bigfoot hunting practices to ensure the safety of hunters and the protection of the environment.

4. The Department shall issue permits and licenses for Bigfoot hunting, with revenues generated from such permits allocated to wildlife conservation and habitat preservation efforts.
5. Hunters who claim to have encountered or captured Bigfoot shall report their findings to the Department of Wildlife Conservation for research and documentation purposes.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-001

Atchison (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to lobbying; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Public Scrutiny” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Public Corruption”- Public corruption refers to a breach of public trust and/or abuse of position by state or local officials and their private sector accomplices. It involves a government official, whether elected, appointed, or hired, violating federal law by asking, demanding, soliciting, accepting, or agreeing to receive anything of value in return for being influenced in the performance of their official duties.
- B. “Lobbying”- In the context used here it will refer to actions by moneyed interests to influence the decisions and direction of government by investing in Political Action Committee’s(PAC), state committees acting on the behalf of incumbents or other candidates for political office directly donating to campaign funds, outside interest groups acting on the behalf of candidates and otherwise using financial resources to influence political outcomes within the state.
- C. “Bailouts”- A bailout is when the government gives financial support to rescue a company that is in financial trouble and possibly at risk for bankruptcy.
- D. “Committee” - A government committee is a group of state and/or legislative members appointed to investigate, debate, and report on legislation, as well as in some cases, allocate funding to agencies and state projects.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. No entity currently under contract with the state of Oklahoma and operating within the jurisdiction thereof shall knowingly make financial contributions to a PAC or to any candidate, candidate committee, or any other entity defined under 21 O.S. 5-187 or knowingly engage in any activity listed in the definitions for the terms form of executive lobbying or legislative lobbying by identified as such Rule 5.2 of title 74 of Oklahoma State Statute.
- B. The Oklahoma Ethics Commission will be tasked with observing the financial transactions and records of entities receiving money from the government through bailouts, loans, or payment of services, or maintenance of public services. They will be responsible for enforcing the act. All documentation accrued by the agency for this purpose will be made publicly accessible to all via the department website archive with necessary private information redacted.
- C. Corporate entities that have received bailouts or government loans, subsidized or unsubsidized, or any other such benefit will be prohibited from contributing to PAC's or campaign funds up to four (4) years after the receipt of such.
- D. No candidate for or current occupant of any public office will be able to accept campaign contributions from committees established and contained by the state.
- E. Committees will be unable to contribute to the campaign efforts of any person seeking public office nor are they to be allowed to provide financial support of any kind on the behalf of any individual seeking public office.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Individuals that break the law established by the "Public Scrutiny" act will be subject to no less than two(2) years of penal incarceration and a fine of two hundred and fifty thousand (\$250,000) dollars.
- B. Corporate or any other non-person entity will be subject to complete denial of all future financial aid through bailouts, loans, subsidies, or any such benefit as well as a fine no less than one million dollars(\$1,000,000).
- C. Individual members of the state committee responsible for decision making and financial allocation will be subject to the penalties outlined in page two (2), section four(4), subsection A, lines twenty two (22) through twenty four (24).

Section 5. This act shall become effective 90 days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-002

Atchison (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to campaign finance; providing short title; providing for penalties, providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Getting money out of Politics” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. A new fund from the general fund will be created to provide candidates with an equal amount of money for the purposes of campaigning, that any candidate that applies for will gain access to their own account monitored by the Oklahoma Ethics commission via account statements.
- B. The Oklahoma Ethics Commission will be tasked with the responsibility of determining the optimal average cost of a political campaign in Oklahoma and requesting that an adequate number of accounts complete with this amount be requested from the general fund at the beginning of each fiscal year in election years. Any funds not used or recovered from withdrawn campaigns will be reallocated for the next election year.
- C. Individuals who gain access to these accounts will still be subject to the current stipulations of campaign finance laws.
- D. Individuals who have received access to an account for the purposes of campaigning will not be able to receive direct or indirect financial assistance from committees within the state.

Section 3. PENALTIES

- A. Individuals who receive access to these accounts and break any of the aforementioned stipulations or use the funds for illicit activity of any kind, or use the money outside the necessities of campaigning will be subject to no less than six(6) months of penal incarceration and be subject to fines no less

than fifty thousand dollars(\$50,000) and be made to pay back the totality of the amount spent and lose access to the account, and be unable to be approved for one again for a period of eight(8) years.

- B. Any candidate who withdraws without campaigning will be made to pay back the totality of the account grant spent in full. Any individual that campaigns but later drops out will simply lose access to the account with no further penalty.

Section 4. This act shall become effective 90 days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-003

By: Baca (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to unmanned aircrafts; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 21 O.S. § 1743; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Eyes in the Skies” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Unmanned aircraft” refers to an aircraft that is operated without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft.
2. “Unmanned aircraft system” means an unmanned aircraft and associated elements, including but not limited to communication links and the components that control the unmanned aircraft, that are required for the pilot in command to operate safely and efficiently in the national airspace system as per the provisions of Public Law 112-95, Section 331 (9) or any superseding provision of federal law.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1743 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- A. No person using an unmanned aircraft system (UAS) or drone, as defined by the Federal Aviation Administration, shall, except as authorized by law:
 1. Trespass onto private property or into airspace within four hundred (400) feet above ground level with the intent to subject anyone to eavesdropping or other surveillance;
 2. Install on private property, without the consent of the owner or lessee, any device for observing, photographing, recording, amplifying, or broadcasting sounds or events on such property, or use any such unauthorized installation;
 3. Intentionally use a drone to photograph, record, or otherwise observe another person in any place where the person has a reasonable expectation of privacy, as defined by 44 O.S. § 917A; or

4. Intentionally land a drone on the lands or waters that are the private property of another without the consent of the owner or lessee.

B. Law enforcement use of a UAS.

1. Except as provided in subsection 2, a law enforcement agency, as defined by 51 O.S. § 24 A.3, must obtain a valid search or arrest warrant authorizing the use of a UAS before deploying such system.

2. A law enforcement agency may use a UAS:

- a. Over a public event where a reasonable person would expect that they and their activity would be visible to the public, providing that the event does not take place on private property, unless the agency has received prior authorization to operate an unmanned aircraft system over the event by the property's lawful owner or lessee;
- b. For assistance with traffic management on public roadways;
- c. For the purpose of a search and rescue operation in the event that the law enforcement agency determines that the use of a UAS is necessary to alleviate immediate danger to any person;
- d. To survey the scene or aftermath of and assess natural or man-made catastrophes such as hazardous material spills, fires, floods, storms, or motor vehicle accidents;
- e. To facilitate a law enforcement agency's collection of evidence at a crime scene;
- f. In immediate pursuit of a person who has committed a crime in plain sight, not including misdemeanors or offenses punishable by fine only; and
- g. If the law enforcement agency believes that an imminent threat exists to the life or safety of a person or to the public, including but not limited to the threat of an act of terrorism.

3. Documentation required.

- a. Any law enforcement agency operating under the jurisdiction of the state of Oklahoma is hereby directed to document each deployment of a UAS. The manner and standards of documentation for such deployments shall be produced and promulgated by the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety and shall, at a minimum, record each deployment of a UAS or UA with a unique case number, provide a factual basis for the use of a UAS, and identify the applicable exception under subsection 2 unless a warrant was obtained. These documents shall be maintained in accordance with 51 O.S. § 24A.8.

b. On or before September 1, 2024, and September 1st of each even-numbered subsequent year, the Commissioner of Public Safety shall submit to the Legislature a report containing (1) the number of instances in which a UAS has been deployed by any law enforcement agency in the State with summary descriptions of the number of deployments for investigative purposes; (2) the general nature of those investigations, (3) the total number of search warrants sought for the use of a UAS; and (4) the number of search warrants obtained for the deployment of a UAS. The report shall be public and must be available for public inspection on the website for the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety.

4. Limitations on law enforcement use of UAS.

a. A law enforcement agency may not issue a traffic infraction citation based on images or video captured by a UAS.

b. Evidence obtained or collected through the use of a UAS in violation of this section shall not be admissible in, and must not be disclosed in a judicial, administrative, or other adjudicatory proceeding.

c. In no case may a weaponized UAS be deployed in the state or its use facilitated in the state of Oklahoma by a state or local government department, agency, or instrumentality or department of law enforcement in the state of Oklahoma.

B C. A person who violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor. Paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section shall not apply to a drone operator operating a drone for a bona fide business or bona fide government purpose who unintentionally or incidentally photographs, records, or otherwise observes another person in a private place, nor shall it apply to a designated emergency management worker or government employee or contractor operating a drone within the scope of his or her lawful duties of employment. Paragraph 4 of subsection A of this section shall not apply to the landing of a drone required in the interest of safety or otherwise in an emergency such as to avoid collision with a person or property.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-004

By: D. Boner (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to gun rights; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 21 O.S. § 1290.10; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Non-Violent Felons Right to Personal Protection” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Non-violent felony refers to any felony as listed by 21 O.S. §5 not listed by 21 O.S. § 571.
- B. Violent felony shall be defined pursuant to Title 57 Chapter 8A § 571.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1290.10 is amended to read as follows:

In addition to the requirements stated in Section 1290.9 of this title, the conditions stated in this section shall preclude a person from eligibility for a handgun license pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The occurrence of any one of the following conditions shall deny the person the right to have a handgun license pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self Defense Act.

Prohibited conditions are:

1. Ineligible to possess a pistol or other firearm due to any violent felony conviction or adjudication as a delinquent.
2. Any violent felony conviction pursuant to any law of another state, a violent felony conviction pursuant to any provision of the United States Code, or any conviction pursuant to the laws of any foreign country, provided such foreign conviction would constitute a violent felony offense in this state if the offense had been committed in this state, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;
3. Adjudication as a mentally incompetent person pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Mental Health Law, or an adjudication of incompetency entered

in another state pursuant to any provision of law of that state, unless the person has been granted relief from the disqualifying disability pursuant to Section 1290.27 of this title;

4. Any false or misleading statement on the application for a handgun license as provided by paragraph 5 of subsection A of Section 1290.12 of this title;
5. Conviction of any one of the following misdemeanor offenses in this state or in any other state:
 - a. any assault and battery which caused serious physical injury to the victim, or any second or subsequent assault and battery conviction,
 - b. any aggravated assault and battery,
 - c. any stalking pursuant to Section 1173 of this title, or a similar law of another state,
 - d. a violation relating to the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act or any violation of a victim protection order of another state,
 - ~~e. any conviction relating to illegal drug use or possession,~~
 - f. an act of domestic abuse as defined by Section 644 of this title or an act of domestic assault and battery or any comparable acts under the laws of another state

~~The preclusive period for a misdemeanor conviction related to illegal drug use or possession shall be ten (10) years from the date of completion of a sentence. For purposes of this subsection, "date of completion of a sentence" shall mean the day an offender completes all incarceration, probation, and parole pertaining to such sentence;~~

6. An attempted suicide or other condition relating to or indicating mental instability or an unsound mind which occurred within the preceding ten-year period from the date of the application for a license to carry a concealed firearm or that occurs during the period of licensure;
7. Currently undergoing treatment for a mental illness, condition, or disorder. For purposes of this paragraph, "currently undergoing treatment for a mental illness, condition, or disorder" means the person has been diagnosed by a licensed physician as being afflicted with a substantial disorder of thought, mood, perception, psychological orientation, or memory that significantly impairs judgment, behavior, capacity to recognize reality, or ability to meet the ordinary demands of life;
- ~~8. Significant character defects of the applicant as evidenced by a criminal record indicating habitual criminal activity;~~
9. Ineligible to possess a pistol due to any provision of law of this state or the United States Code, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;

10. Failure to pay an assessed fine or surrender the handgun license as required by a decision by the administrative hearing examiner pursuant to authority of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act;
11. Being subject to an outstanding violent felony warrant issued in this state or another state or the United States; or
12. Adjudication as a delinquent as provided by Section 1283 of this title, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title.

Section 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. Except as may otherwise be required by federal law, no person shall be subject to a forfeiture of any pistols or handguns as defined by 21 O.S. § 1289.3, rifle as defined by 21 O.S. § 1289.4 or shotgun as defined by 21 O.S. § 1289.5 by the state of Oklahoma (solely) on the grounds that they have been found to be guilty of a non-violent felony.
- B. Except as may be otherwise required by federal law, no person shall be required by law as a condition for purchasing a pistol or handgun, rifle, shotgun, or other firearm to indicate their felony status when filling out the Firearms Transaction Record (ATF 4473) form or other documentation as might be required to purchase a firearm.
- C. Except as may otherwise be required by federal law, no person shall solely on the grounds that they have been convicted of a non-violent felony, be subject to forfeiture or excluded from purchasing firearms, firearms accessories, and ammunition.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-005

By: Robison (SE)
Koehn (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to medical marijuana; providing short title; repealing 63 O.S. §420; repealing 63 O.S. §427.8; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Taking Our Morals Out of the Trash Can” Act of 2023.

Section 2. REPEALER 63 O.S. §420 is repealed in its entirety:

~~A. A person in possession of a state issued medical marijuana license shall be able to:~~

- ~~1. Consume marijuana legally;~~
- ~~2. Legally possess up to three (3) ounces of marijuana on their person;~~
- ~~3. Legally possess six (6) mature marijuana plants;~~
- ~~4. Legally possess six (6) seedling plants;~~
- ~~5. Legally possess one (1) ounce of concentrated marijuana;~~
- ~~6. Legally possess seventy-two (72) ounces of edible marijuana; and~~
- ~~7. Legally possess up to eight (8) ounces of marijuana in their residence.~~

~~B. Possession of up to one and one half (1.5) ounces of marijuana by persons who can state a medical condition, but not in possession of a state issued medical marijuana license, shall constitute a misdemeanor offense with a fine not to exceed Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).~~

~~C. A regulatory office shall be established under the Oklahoma State Department of Health which will receive applications for medical license recipients, dispensaries, growers, and packagers within sixty (60) days of the passage of this initiative.~~

~~D. The Oklahoma State Department of Health shall within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, make available, on their website, in an easy to find location, an application for a medical marijuana license. The license will be good for two (2) years, and the application fee will be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for individuals on Medicaid, Medicare, or~~

~~SoonerCare. The methods of payment will be provided on the website.~~

~~E. A temporary license application will also be available on the Oklahoma Department of Health website. A temporary medical marijuana license will be granted to any medical marijuana license holder from other states, provided that the state has a state regulated medical marijuana program, and the applicant can prove they are a member of such. Temporary licenses will be issued for thirty (30) days. The cost for a temporary license shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Renewal will be granted with resubmission of a new application. No additional criteria will be required.~~

~~F. Medical marijuana license applicants will submit their application to the Oklahoma State Department of Health for approval and that the applicant must be an Oklahoma state resident and shall prove residency by a valid driver's license, utility bills, or other accepted methods.~~

~~G. The Oklahoma State Department of Health shall review the medical marijuana application, approve/reject the application, and mail the applicant's approval or rejection letter (stating reasons for rejection) to the applicant within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the application. Approved applicants will be issued a medical marijuana license which will act as proof of their approved status. Applications may only be rejected based on applicant not meeting stated criteria or improper completion of the application.~~

~~H. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will only keep the following records for each approved medical license:~~

- ~~1. A digital photograph of the license holder;~~
- ~~2. The expiration date of the license;~~
- ~~3. The county where the card was issued; and~~
- ~~4. A unique 24 character identification number assigned to the license.~~

~~I. The Department of Health will make available, both on its website, and through a telephone verification system, an easy method to validate a medical license holders authenticity by the unique 24 character identifier.~~

~~J. The State Department of Health will ensure that all application records and information are sealed to protect the privacy of medical license applicants.~~

~~K. A caregiver license will be made available for qualified caregivers of a medical marijuana license holder who is homebound. The caregiver license will give the caregiver the same rights as the medical license holder. Applicants for a caregiver license will submit proof of the medical marijuana license holder's license status and homebound status, that they are the designee of the medical marijuana license holder, must submit proof that the caregiver is age eighteen (18) or older, and must submit proof the caregiver is an Oklahoma resident. This will be the only criteria for a caregiver license.~~

~~L. All applicants must be eighteen (18) years or older. A special exception will be~~

~~granted to an applicant under the age of eighteen (18), however these applications must be signed by two (2) physicians and the applicant's parent or legal guardian. M. All applications for a medical license must be signed by an Oklahoma Board certified physician. There are no qualifying conditions. A medical marijuana license must be recommended according to the accepted standards a reasonable and prudent physician would follow when recommending or approving any medication. No physician may be unduly stigmatized or harassed for signing a medical marijuana license application.~~

~~N. Counties and cities may enact medical marijuana guidelines allowing medical marijuana license holders or caregivers to exceed the state limits set forth in subsection A of this section.~~

Section 3. REPEALER 63 O.S. §427.8 is repealed in its entirety:

~~A. The rights to possess the marijuana products set forth in Section 420 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes are cumulative and a duly licensed individual may possess at any one time the totality of the items listed therein and not be in violation of this act so long as the individual holds a valid patient license or caregiver license.~~

~~B. Municipal and county governing bodies may not enact medical marijuana guidelines which restrict or interfere with the rights of a licensed patient or caregiver to possess, purchase, cultivate or transport medical marijuana within the legal limits set forth in this act or Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes or require patients or caregivers to obtain permits or licenses in addition to the state required licenses provided herein.~~

~~C. Nothing in this act or Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall prohibit a residential or commercial property or business owner from prohibiting the consumption of medical marijuana or medical marijuana product by smoke or vaporization on the premises, within the structures of the premises or within ten (10) feet of the entryway to the premises. However, a medical marijuana patient shall not be denied the right to consume or use other medical marijuana products which are otherwise legal and do not involve the smoking or vaporization of cannabis when lawfully recommended pursuant to Section 420 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.~~

~~D. A medical marijuana patient or caregiver licensee shall not be denied eligibility in public assistance programs including, but not limited to, Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program (WIC), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or other such public assistance programs based solely on his or her status as a medical marijuana patient or caregiver licensee, unless required by federal~~

law.

~~E. A medical marijuana patient or caregiver licensee shall not be denied the right to own, purchase or possess a firearm, ammunition, or firearm accessories based solely on his or her status as a medical marijuana patient or caregiver licensee. No state or local agency, municipal or county governing authority shall restrict, revoke, suspend or otherwise infringe upon the right of a person to own, purchase or possess a firearm, ammunition, or firearm accessories or any related firearms license or certification based solely on their status as a medical marijuana patient or caregiver licensee.~~

~~F. A medical marijuana patient or caregiver in actual possession of a medical marijuana license shall not be subject to arrest, prosecution or penalty in any manner or denied any right, privilege or public assistance, under state law or municipal or county ordinance or resolution including without limitation a civil penalty or disciplinary action by a business, occupational or professional licensing board or bureau, for the medical use of marijuana in accordance with this act.~~

~~G. A government medical assistance program shall not be required to reimburse a person for costs associated with the medical use of marijuana unless federal law requires reimbursement.~~

~~H. Unless otherwise required by federal law or required to obtain federal funding:~~

- ~~1. No employer may refuse to hire, discipline, discharge or otherwise penalize an applicant or employee solely on the basis of such applicant's or employee's status as a medical marijuana licensee; and~~
- ~~2. No employer may refuse to hire, discipline, discharge or otherwise penalize an applicant or employee solely on the basis of a positive test for marijuana components or metabolites, unless:
 - ~~a. the applicant or employee is not in possession of a valid medical marijuana license;~~
 - ~~b. the licensee possesses, consumes or is under the influence of medical marijuana or medical marijuana product while at the place of employment or during the fulfillment of employment obligations; or~~
 - ~~c. the position is one involving safety-sensitive job duties, as such term is defined in subsection K of this section.~~~~

~~I. Nothing in this act or Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall:~~

- ~~1. Require an employer to permit or accommodate the use of medical marijuana on the property or premises of any place of employment or during hours of employment;~~
- ~~2. Require an employer, a government medical assistance program, private~~

~~health insurer, worker's compensation carrier or self-insured employer providing worker's compensation benefits to reimburse a person for costs associated with the use of medical marijuana; or~~

~~3. Prevent an employer from having written policies regarding drug testing and impairment in accordance with the Oklahoma Standards for Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Act, Section 551 et seq. of Title 40 of the Oklahoma Statutes.~~

~~J. Any applicant or employee aggrieved by a willful violation of this section shall have, as his or her exclusive remedy, the same remedies as provided for in the Oklahoma Standards for Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Act set forth in Section 563 of Title 40 of the Oklahoma Statutes.~~

~~K. As used in this section:~~

~~1. "Safety sensitive" means any job that includes tasks or duties that the employer reasonably believes could affect the safety and health of the employee performing the task or others including, but not limited to, any of the following:~~

~~— a. the handling, packaging, processing, storage, disposal or transport of hazardous materials;~~

~~— b. the operation of a motor vehicle, other vehicle, equipment, machinery or power tools;~~

~~— c. repairing, maintaining or monitoring the performance or operation of any equipment, machinery or manufacturing process, the malfunction or disruption of which could result in injury or property damage;~~

~~— d. performing firefighting duties;~~

~~— e. the operation, maintenance or oversight of critical services and infrastructure including, but not limited to, electric, gas, and water utilities, power generation or distribution;~~

~~— f. the extraction, compression, processing, manufacturing, handling, packaging, storage, disposal, treatment or transport of potentially volatile, flammable, combustible materials, elements, chemicals or any other highly regulated component;~~

~~— g. dispensing pharmaceuticals;~~

~~— h. carrying a firearm; or~~

~~— i. direct patient care or direct child care; and~~

~~2. A "positive test for marijuana components or metabolites" means a result that is at or above the cutoff concentration level established by the United States Department of Transportation or Oklahoma law regarding being under the influence, whichever is lower.~~

~~L. All smokable, vaporized, vapable and e-cigarette medical marijuana product~~

~~inhaled through vaporization or smoked by a medical marijuana licensee are subject to the same restrictions for tobacco under Section 1-1521 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes, commonly referred to as the "Smoking in Public Places and Indoor Workplaces Act".~~

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-006

By: Robison (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to state security; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 74 O.S. §150.2; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “State Security Enhancement” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. Counterintelligence - the act of gathering information or conducting covert operations with the intent to prevent, expose, or mitigate foreign espionage, domestic sabotage, or activities that are meant to subvert the general operations of the government.
 - B. OSBI Operational Field Offices - regional or local operating centers utilized by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) for the purposes of conducting, housing, and managing all OSBI operations within an overall area of operation defined by the OSBI pursuant to the requirements of provisions of 74 O.S. §150.2 subsection B.
 - C. OSBI Leadership - the leadership of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) shall, for the purposes of this act, be defined as the director, deputy director, and all subsequent command members within the OSBI’s organizational hierarchy.
 - D. Foreign Intelligence Service - any agency, organization, or entity, whether affiliated with a foreign government or not, establishes or operates on behalf of said foreign nation or entity, engages in intelligence gathering, espionage, covert operations, or information manipulation activities within the jurisdiction of the State of Oklahoma, with the intent of influencing, disrupting, subverting, or compromising the security, sovereignty, or interests of the State of Oklahoma or the United States of America.
- Section 3. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. §150.2 is amended to read as follows:

- A. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall have the power and duty to:
1. Maintain a nationally accredited scientific laboratory to assist all law enforcement agencies in the discovery and detection of criminal activity;
 2. Maintain fingerprint and other identification files including criminal history records, juvenile identification files, and DNA profiles;
 3. Establish, coordinate and maintain the automated fingerprint identification system (AFIS) and the deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) laboratory;
 4. Operate teletype, mobile and fixed radio or other communications systems;
 5. Conduct schools and training programs for the agents, peace officers, and technicians of this state charged with the enforcement of law and order and the investigation and detection of crime;
 6. Assist the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Chief Medical Examiner, and all law enforcement officers and district attorneys when such assistance is requested, in accordance with the policy determined by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Commission established in Section 150.3 of this title;
 7. Investigate and detect criminal activity when directed to do so by the Governor or upon request by any law enforcement agency in the state or at the discretion of the OSBI director and any subsequent personnel the director authorizes discretion to;
 8. Investigate, detect, institute and maintain actions involving vehicle theft pursuant to Section 150.7a of this title or oil, gas or oil field equipment theft pursuant to Sections 152.2 through 152.9 of this title;
 9. Investigate any criminal threat made to the physical safety of elected or appointed officials of this state or any political subdivision of the state and forward the results of that investigation to the Department of Public Safety, and provide security to foreign elected or appointed officials while they are in this state on official business;
 10. Investigate and detect violations of the Oklahoma Computer Crimes Act;
 11. Investigate and enforce all laws relating to any crime listed in Section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes that occurs on the turnpikes;
 12. Investigate and detect criminal activity involving files, records, assets, properties, buildings or employees of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation. Nothing in this paragraph shall limit or prevent any criminal investigation of the matter by the sheriff of the county or any law enforcement agency of competent jurisdiction; and
 13. Contract with municipal or county law enforcement agencies to conduct

administrative reviews of law enforcement use-of-force investigations for compliance with current investigative procedures, standards and law. All funds received as a result of the contract will be deposited in the OSBI Revolving Fund. Any review of use-of-force investigation shall be done by a certified police officer.

- B. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall construct operational field offices across the state and shall create a coordination team within every field office to be in regular communication with local law enforcement authorities. The number of field offices and at what pace such offices shall be built will be at the discretion of the Director of the OSBI, and any subsequent member the Director may collaborate with internally.
 - 1. Bureau leadership shall draw jurisdictional boundaries that clearly outline the area of operation for each field office within the state.
- C. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall create a counterintelligence division within its operational infrastructure in order to combat the operations of foreign intelligence services within the State of Oklahoma.
 - 1. The bureau shall produce and promulgate policies, procedures, standards, and regulations relating to this new unit under the advising direction of pre-existing policies, procedures, standards, and regulations utilized by federal intelligence agencies.
- D. The Oklahoma State Department of Public Safety shall oversee and coordinate these new changes with the bureau and must render advisement whenever requested by the OSBI or deemed necessary by the Secretary of Public Safety.
- E. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall use its discretionary budget to fulfill the provisions of this act over a period of ten (10) years. Should additional funding be necessary, the bureau may submit a budget increase request for the next fiscal budget to the Oklahoma House of Representatives, providing all accurate and approximate calculations of costs.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-007

By: White (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to bartenders; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for amending 37A O.S. §2-147; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Adult Bartenders” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Adult - An adult is an individual who has reached the age of majority, in Oklahoma’s case, is eighteen (18).
2. Bartending (Liquor) License- is a license your state requires an individual to have in order to serve alcohol at a bar legally. A bartending license shows that the candidate has successfully passed a program certified by the state government in the responsible serving of liquor. In Oklahoma one obtains this license through an ABLE training program specified for bartenders.
3. Alcoholic Beverages Law Enforcement (ABLE)- (As defined in statute §37A-1-104) The purpose of the Commission shall be to enforce the alcoholic beverage laws of the state, and the Commission shall have such power and authority to enforce such laws, rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 37A O.S. §2-147 is amended to read as follows:

- A. The ABLE Commission shall refuse to issue a mixed beverage (as defined in statute §37A-2-110v1), beer and wine (as defined in statutes §37A-2-107 and §37A-2-108), bottle club (as defined in §37A-2-111), public event (as defined under statute §37A-2-114), caterer(as defined in statute §37A-2-112), bartending (liquor), retail wine or retail beer license, either on an original application or a renewal application, if it has reasonable grounds to believe and finds any of the following to be true:

1. That the applicant ~~of~~ for a Bartending (liquor) License, in the case of a natural person, is under ~~twenty-one (21)~~ eighteen (18) years of age. The applicant for a mixed beverage, beer and wine, bottle club, public event, caterer, and retail wine and beer licenses, in the case of a natural person, is under twenty-one (21) years of age;
2. That the applicant, in the case of a corporation, has a stockholder who owns fifteen percent (15%) or more of the stock, an officer, or a director who is under twenty-one (21) years of age;
3. That the applicant, in the case of any type of partnership, has ~~any~~ only partners who is under ~~twenty-one (21)~~ eighteen (18) years of age;
4. That the applicant, in the case of a limited liability company, has ~~a~~ only managers or members who is under twenty-one (21) years of age;
5. That the applicant or any type of partner has been convicted of a felony within fifteen (15) years prior to the application date;
6. That the applicant, in the case of a corporation, has a stockholder owning fifteen percent (15%) of the stock, an officer or a director who has been convicted of a felony within fifteen (15) years prior to the application date;
7. That the applicant, in the case of a limited liability company, has a manager or a member who has been convicted of a felony within fifteen (15) years prior to the application date, and Oklahoma Statutes - Title 37a. Alcoholic Beverages Page 77 such manager or member has an ownership interest greater than fifty percent (50%);
8. That the applicant has made false statements to the ABLE Commission.
9. That the applicant is not the legitimate owner of the business for which a license is sought or that other persons have undisclosed ownership interests in the business;
10. That the applicant or any partner, within twelve (12) months after being issued a license, either on an original application or a renewal application, has violated any provision of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act or rule of the ABLE Commission promulgated pursuant hereto. Provided, however, that if the ABLE Commission, during the twelve-month period, has suspended any license sought to be renewed, such renewal application may be approved if the term of the suspension has been completed and the applicant has complied with any special conditions imposed in connection with the suspension;
11. That the applicant is not the real party in interest, or intends to carry on the business authorized by the license as the agent of another;
12. That the applicant is a person who appoints or is a law enforcement official or is an employee of the ABLE Commission;

13. That the applicant does not own or have a written lease for the premises for which a license is sought; or
 14. That the applicant or any partner, spouse, employee or other person affiliated with the applicant is not in compliance with the tax laws of this state as required in Article XXVIII A of the Oklahoma Constitution.
- B. 1. The ABLE Commission may refuse to issue a mixed beverage, beer and wine, bottle club, public event, or caterer license, either on an original application or a renewal application, if it has reasonable grounds to believe and finds any of the following to be true:
- a. that the applicant or any type of partner has been convicted of a felony described in paragraph 2 of this subsection,
 - b. that the applicant, in the case of a corporation, has a stockholder owning fifteen percent (15%) of the stock, an officer or a director who has been convicted of a felony described in paragraph 2 of this subsection, and
 - c. that the applicant, in the case of a limited liability company, has a manager or a member who has been convicted of a felony within twenty-five (25) years prior to the application date, who has been convicted of a felony described in paragraph 2 of this subsection.
2. The provisions of this section shall apply to the following felony offenses:
- a. an alcohol-related offense,
 - b. a violent crime as defined in Section 142A-1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or
 - c. a crime which would subject a person to registration pursuant to the Sex Offenders Registration Act.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SE-008

By: White (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to toll roads; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codifications; providing for penalties, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Toll Road Maintenance” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Motor Vehicle- As defined in 47 O.S. §562.
- B. Toll Road or Turnpike- As defined by 47 O.S. §1-184 or any superseding provision of Oklahoma state law.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. It shall be that the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) (or any successor organization as shall be established by law) and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (OTD) are hereby directed to produce and promulgate a thirty (30) year budget within the first six (6) months of each allotted thirty (30) year period that reset once the thirty (30) years period concludes. for maintaining all toll roads in the state of Oklahoma. The budget should, at a minimum, contain an itemized list of detailing all projected revenue and revenue sources as well as all expected expenditures and funding requirements for the purposes of for maintaining all toll roads, Turnpikes, or any superseding provision of Oklahoma state law, or other projects under the authority of the OTA and paying the salary of necessary OTA employees including but not necessarily limited to service personnel, patrol officers, and toll booth workers. An official copy of the complete budget shall be made public in the form of meetings held by the OTA. The OTA is further prohibited from utilizing any funds gathered via tolls operated by the OTA except for the purposes of making a direct deposit into the Oklahoma General Revenue

Fund, covering the costs necessary to the maintenance of expressways, highways, or facilities surrounding the current Turnpikes, and other current turnpike projects under its authority pursuant to 69 OK Stat § 1705. The authority and power of the OTA to collect or operate tolls either directly or through an interoperability agreement with another organization shall not extend beyond thirty (30) years or the complete coverage of the revenue necessary for the maintenance of the turnpike projects under the OTA's authority over the next thirty (30) years, whichever shall come first. Upon the fulfillment of these requirements, the authority and empower of the OTA to operate, repair, and construct toll projects in Oklahoma shall be revoked and all electronic or physical billing apparatuses shall be permanently disabled and commissioned. Cameras will be shut down and electronic signs and stations for the toll entries will also be shut down by the authority, however, the roads themselves will stay open for public access as if it were a non-toll road.

- B. The OTA will not issue any new pike passes within one (1) year of the end of the thirty (30) year period.
- C. The OTA must hold a minimum of two (2) meetings per year updating the public as the status for road availability and costs. A public meeting should be held at least four (4) months apart and must alert the public in advance by, at the minimum, two (2) months by posting the dates on the OTA website. A. The OTA shall also be responsible for the maintenance of a publicly accessible website for a tally run by the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority page that will keep the users up to date for how much money has been paid, and how much money is needed for the purposes of maintenance.
- D. The OTA shall make no more new projects regarding more toll roads. Projects that deal with current facilities, highways, expressways, and the toll roads themselves are the only projects that can use the revenue from toll expenses.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. In the event that the OTA has been found to gather revenue in violation of this law it shall, for each offense, be subject to a fine of five hundred (500) dollars plus five (5) times the amount of revenue gathered in violation of this or any other provision of law in the event that it is found to have violated the such provision by:
 - 1. gathering funds in excess of the total expenditures required by the thirty (30) year budget provided pursuant to section three herein or
 - 2. failing to disable cameras or any other electronic billing apparatuses or
 - 3. continuing to charge cars after the thirty (30) year time frame established pursuant to the provisions of this law.

- B. In the event that the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority neglects to hold public meetings in accordance with the requirements of this law, the OTA should be subject to a one-thousand-dollar (\$1,000) fine charged directly to the agency for each day until the issue is corrected and a meeting is done.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one-hundred eighty (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SNU-001

By: Barnett (SNU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Workers Compensation; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Workers Compensation Injury Injustice” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Injury Injustice – Any situation in which an employee is unfairly compensated by his/her employer. Unfairly means that the level of compensation did not meet the level of damage incurred.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It shall be mandatory for all bodily injuries to be examined within six (6) months of when the injury occurred by medical professionals which the employee claims are the result of the on-job injury.
2. The employee may solicit a second opinion by a doctor of their choosing. The employer will be responsible for any costs from this visit.
3. It shall be mandatory for the employer to cover all benefits which the employee was receiving up to the time of their injury, during the period awaiting disability hearing, until the time of the verdict.
4. An employee injured on their job due to not their own negligence, if officially deemed seventy percent (70%) or more disabled by medical professionals and they have already worked two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the amount of time needed to receive full retirement, shall receive one-hundred percent (100%) of their retirement beginning at the time it would have at the time when injury occurred.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any fraudulent activity or purposefully incorrect diagnosis on behalf of the employer, employee, or medical professionals is punishable by law with a fine up to five thousand dollars (\$5000) and/or jail time based on the amount of financial and physical damage that was caused.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SNU-002

By: Ponce (SNU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to single-use plastic bags; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Single-Use Bag Reduction” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Single-Use Bags – Any bags made of plastic or any other material that is non-recyclable and non-reusable.
2. Stores – A grocery store, supermarket, convenience store, liquor store, pharmacy, clothing store, or any other type of retail establishment where single-use bags are usually provided to customers.
3. Food Service Establishments – Defined under OAC 310:257

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. A store or food service establishment may only provide customers with a single-use bag if they pay ten (10) cents per single-use bag they take or use. The revenue from the single-use bags will go to the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality to help fund recycling programs.
2. Repeals O.S. § 2-11-504

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any food service establishment or store found in violation of this law will be subject to a minimum fine of five hundred dollars (\$500).
2. Recurring violations will increase the fine up to one thousand dollars (\$1000).

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. SNU-003

By: Vazquez (SNU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to injury protection coverage; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Personal Injury Protection (PIP) Coverage” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Personal Injury Protection (PIP) Coverage – Also known as no-fault insurance, covers medical expenses and lost wages for the at-fault driver/s, not at-fault driver/s and passengers present in the accident. PIP Coverage protects drivers regardless of who is at fault.
2. Medical Expenses – Ambulance bills, hospital bills, initial doctor visits, recurring doctor visits, prescriptions, necessary surgeries, dentist visits, recurring dentist visits, physical therapy, and psychological therapy.
3. Insurance Provider/s – Every person and/or company engaged in the business of making contracts of insurance.
4. Offer – The expression of readiness to extend coverage to an applicant.
5. Policyholder – A person who owns an insurance policy.
6. Minor Damages – Motor vehicle accident that results in slight damage to the vehicle that does not impede the vehicle’s ability to operate or cause severe injuries. For example: a dented bumper or a busted headlight/taillight or other cosmetic damage.
7. Severe Damages – Motor vehicle accident that results in a totaled vehicle, broken or distorted bones, serious lacerations that cause exposed tissue, muscle, bone, excessive bleeding, crushing of the body, unconsciousness at the point of impact, airbags deploying at the point of impact, ambulance arriving at the scene of the accident, extended hospital stay (overnight to multiple days), missed work that results in lost wages, recurring doctor visits,

prescriptions, necessary surgeries, not considered to be pre-injury status at the end of treatment, and psychological distress caused by the accident (high stress, depression, anxiety when entering a vehicle, loss of sleep).

8. Fatal Damages – Motor vehicle accident that results in the death of either diver/s and/or any passengers in either car.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All motor vehicle insurance providers must offer PIP Coverage to all of their current policyholders and prospect policyholders.
2. All current policyholders and/or prospect policyholders may reject PIP Coverage, but it must be done in writing and signed by the current policyholder and/or prospect policyholder.
3. In the case that the policyholder were to be in a motor vehicle accident and PIP Coverage has not been denied in writing and signed by the policyholder, then the policyholder is automatically covered by PIP Coverage up to at least the minimum PIP Coverage amount, two-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$2,500), even if the policyholder has not paid for PIP Coverage from the moment they first accepted their policy up until their motor vehicle accident.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If there is no written and signed rejection of PIP Coverage by the policyholder, then in motor vehicle accidents with minor damage to the motor vehicle or the people involved, the insurance provider is required to cover the minimum, two-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$2,500) in PIP Coverage to its policyholder.
2. If there is no written and signed rejection of PIP Coverage by the policyholder, then in motor vehicle accidents with severe damage to the motor vehicle or the people involved, the insurance provider is required to cover up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in PIP Coverage to its policyholder.
3. If there is no written and signed rejection of PIP Coverage by the policyholder, then in motor vehicle accidents with fatal damage to the motor vehicle or the people involved, the insurance provider is required to cover up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in PIP Coverage to its policyholder.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-001

By: Baggett (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to capital punishment; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending OKLA Const. Art. 2, § 9A; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Remember the Guillotine” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Capital Punishment” refers to the state-sanctioned practice of killing a person as punishment for a crime.
2. “Convicts” refer to incarcerated individuals.
3. “Life sentence” refers to the duration of a convict’s imprisonment, in this case, the duration would be indefinite until paroled, pardoned, or otherwise appealed.
4. “Sentencing hearing” refers to the legal process of a judge deciding the extent of punishment.

Section 3. AMENDATORY OKLA Const. Art. 2, § 9A is amended to read as follows:

1. All statutes of this state requiring, authorizing, imposing or relating to the death penalty are NOT in full force and effect AS OF JANUARY 1, 2025; ~~subject to legislative amendment or repeal by statute, initiative or referendum.~~ Any method of execution shall NOT be allowed; ~~unless prohibited by the United States Constitution.~~ Methods of execution may NOT be designated by the Legislature. ~~A sentence of death shall not be reduced on the basis that a method of execution is invalid. In any case in which an execution method is declared invalid, the death sentence shall remain in force until the sentence~~

~~can be lawfully executed by any valid method. The death penalty provided for under such statutes shall not be deemed to be, or to constitute, the infliction of cruel or unusual punishments, nor shall such punishment be deemed to contravene any other provision of this Constitution.~~ ALL SUBSEQUENT LAWS AND STATUTES ON THE TOPIC OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT SHALL BE VOIDED AT THE TIME OF PASSAGE. CONVICTS SCHEDULED FOR EXECUTION AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025 WILL HAVE A SENTENCING HEARING SCHEDULED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS. THE MAXIMUM PENALTY AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF THIS HEARING WILL BE A LIFE SENTENCE.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-002

By: Baggett (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to gun licensing; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Don’t Shoot Your Eye Out” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Gun” refers to any handheld, automatic, or otherwise lethal weapon classified by the Bureau as such.
2. “Gun license” refers to the written document/license used to establish a person’s right to own, carry, and handle a gun.
3. “Online Education Course” refers to the course that would be provided by the State or private organizations accredited by the State.
4. “Safety Training” refers to the in-person education session provided by the State or private organizations accredited by the State.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The process of obtaining a license to own, carry, or handle a gun shall depend upon two (2) steps:
 - a. The completion of a thirty (30) hour Online Education Course and
 - b. the completion of five (5) Safety Trainings.
2. Members of the U.S. armed services, police forces, security personnel, or anyone else who receives firearm safety training for their occupation shall automatically qualify for a License without further training.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individuals or parties found to be in violation of Section 3.1 shall be fined an amount ranging from five thousand to ten thousand dollars (\$5,000-\$10,000) depending upon the gravity of the offense as determined by the Court.
2. A second offense shall warrant a sentence of six (6) months in a State prison, subject to increase if the individual violates Section 3.1 more than twice.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-003

By: Bell (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to driving safety; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “NO O’s” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Smoke trick” refers to a visually impressive technique performed using a smoking device to produce and manipulate vapor.
2. “Smoking device” refers to any mechanism one may use to inhale and exhale vapor for recreational purposes.
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Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Smoke tricks may not be performed in a vehicle while:
 - a. The vehicle is in motion.
 - b. The vehicle is stopped at a red light.
 - c. The vehicle is stopped at a stop sign or other road sign.
2. Smoke tricks may be performed in a vehicle with the engine running if the vehicle is parked in a designated parking space.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. A person found in violation of this law is subject to:
 - a. A fine between one-hundred dollars (\$100) and three-hundred dollars (\$300).
 - b. Repeat offenses of three (3) or more can result in up to fifteen (15) days in jail.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-004

By: Bell (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to tenant's rights; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 41 O.S. § 118; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Anti-Fungi” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Mold” One of the structures that certain fungi can form and poses a potential medical danger to humans.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 41 O.S. § 118 is amended to read as follows:

A. A landlord shall at all times during the tenancy:

1. Except in the case of a single-family residence, keep all common areas of ~~his~~ the building, grounds, facilities, and appurtenances in a clean, safe, and sanitary condition;
2. Make all repairs and do whatever is necessary to put and keep the tenant's dwelling unit and premises in a fit and habitable condition;
3. Maintain in good and safe working order and condition all electrical, plumbing, sanitary, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and other facilities and appliances, including elevators, supplied or required to be supplied by ~~him~~; the landlord;
4. Make repairs in a timely manner with respect to the situation or as outlined by the leasing agreement.
5. If mold is present in or around the dwelling unit, the landlord must begin appropriate mold treatment within three (3) business days of a report being made and complete treatment no more than seven (7) business days beginning after the first day of treatment.
6. Except in the case of one- or two-family residences or where provided by a governmental entity, provide and maintain appropriate receptacles and

conveniences for the removal of ashes, garbage, rubbish, and other waste incidental to the occupancy of the dwelling unit and arrange for the frequent removal of such wastes; and

7. Except in the case of a single-family residence or where the service is supplied by direct and independently metered utility connections to the dwelling unit, supply running water and reasonable amounts of hot water at all times and reasonable heat.
- B. The landlord and tenant of a dwelling unit may agree by a conspicuous writing independent of the rental agreement that the tenant is to perform specified repairs, maintenance tasks, alterations, or remodeling.
- C. Prior to the commencement of a rental agreement, if a landlord knows or has reason to know that the dwelling unit or any part of the premises was used in the manufacture of methamphetamine, the landlord shall disclose this information to a prospective tenant. However, if the landlord has had the level of contamination assessed within the dwelling unit or pertinent part of the premises, and it has been determined that the level of contamination does not exceed one-tenth of one microgram (0.1 mcg) per one hundred square centimeters (100 cm²) of surface materials within the dwelling unit or pertinent part of the premises, no disclosure shall be required.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. A landlord found in violation of this law is subject to:
 1. Coverage of tenant medical bills that arise from mold allergies or other medical conditions proven to have been exacerbated by prolonged exposure to mold spores.
 2. A fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) payable to the tenant(s) affected.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-005

By: Floyd (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to zoning; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Fair Zoning” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

1. “Commercial Building” is a building that contains businesses that contribute to the economy, including retailers, restaurants, offices, or manufacturing.
2. “Residential Building” is a building that contains separate residences where a person or persons live or regularly stay.
3. “Single-Family Housing Zone” is a zoning designation that permits only the construction of single-family residential housing.
4. “Multi-Family Housing Zone” is a zoning designation where multiple households can reside in residential structures such as apartment buildings, townhouses, and condominiums, fostering higher population density and housing diversity within a community.
5. “City/Municipality” refers to any incorporated city, town, township, village, or any local government entity responsible for land use regulation within its jurisdiction.
6. “U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development” is the Federal agency responsible for national policy and programs that address America's housing needs, that improve and develop the Nation's communities, and enforce fair housing laws.
7. “Federal Aviation Administration” is a US government agency that regulates and oversees civil aviation in the United States.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Cities and municipalities with populations exceeding twenty thousand (20,000) residents shall amend their zoning ordinances and regulations to ensure that zoning areas are not exclusively designated for single-family residential housing and must aim to foster diverse and inclusive urban development as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
 - a. In furtherance of diversification and inclusivity, zoning ordinances and regulations shall be comprehensively updated. They must permit the construction of various housing types, including but not limited to multi-family housing, mixed-use developments, and other innovative forms of residential structures, in addition to single-family housing, across all residential zones so long as these structures do not pose an imminent threat to the communities they serve.
 - b. Cities and municipalities shall be responsible for creating comprehensive reports to be submitted to the Oklahoma Conservation Commission every five (5) years. These reports shall detail the progress and initiatives taken to promote diversity and inclusivity within their respective communities, specifically in the context of urban development and housing. The reports shall include, but are not limited to, the following information:
 - i. A summary of zoning changes made to eliminate exclusive single-family housing zones, including specific zones affected.
 - ii. Details on the construction of multi-family housing, mixed-use developments, and other diverse housing options within the municipality, including their locations and the number of units created.
 - iii. Efforts were made to ensure the affordability of housing, including the provision of income-based housing and affordable housing initiatives.
 - iv. Any incentives or programs introduced to support sustainable and diverse housing practices.
 - v. Collaborative efforts with community organizations, educational institutions, and industry stakeholders to promote diversity and inclusivity in urban development.
 - c. The reports shall be made publicly accessible through the respective city or municipality's website and be provided to the Oklahoma Conservation Commission.
2. No municipality within the state of Oklahoma shall impose height restrictions on multi-family residential structures that are constructed within designated residential zones, provided the following conditions are met:

- a. The multi-family residential structure has received the necessary approvals from the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission, affirming its safety and structural integrity in accordance with established safety standards.
 - i. Municipalities may collaborate with the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission and industry experts to establish guidelines, best practices, and periodic inspections to ensure that multi-family structures remain safe and resilient throughout their lifecycle.
 - b. The construction complies with all applicable state and local building codes, regulations, and safety standards, ensuring that it meets or exceeds the safety requirements established for conventional building materials.
 - c. The construction is in compliance with Federal Aviation Association guidelines if the construction would hinder aviation traffic.
3. No municipality shall place undue restrictions on the construction of residential buildings within residential zones, provided such construction does not pose a threat to the historical characteristics and aesthetics of the surrounding area.
- a. The determination of whether a building design complies with the historical characteristics of the area shall be guided by considerations that respect the architectural heritage and visual identity of the neighborhood, as established by local historical preservation or zoning boards.
 - i. In cases where the design of a building is found to potentially affect the area's historical characteristics, the municipality may require an extensive review by the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission.
 - ii. The Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission shall conduct a thorough evaluation of the building design, assessing its compatibility with the historical context and ensuring that it harmonizes with the surrounding architectural elements and ambiance. The Commission shall verify that the proposed construction adheres to all relevant safety and building codes.
 - b. In the event that the design of a building is deemed unsuitable for the historical area after the extensive review by the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission, the municipality may impose necessary design modifications to ensure it aligns with the preservation of the historical characteristics of the location.

4. This act shall not apply to any building that is subject to federal or state height restrictions.
5. The Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission and Oklahoma Conservation Commission shall have the authority to enforce this law through their defined sections of this act by means of approval or disapproval of future projects and fining cities that are found violating this law.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any town, city, or municipality found violating this law shall be subject to a fine no less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) but not exceeding twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) and shall be subject to a review from the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission and Oklahoma Conservation Commission to determine if the project is in compliance with the law.
 - a. Continued non-compliance with this act shall result in a penalty consisting of a twenty percent (20%) increment over the most recent fine imposed, and this incremental penalty shall persist until the town, city, or municipality is confirmed to be in compliance.
 - b. A town, city, or municipality found to be in violation of this law and subsequently incurring the maximum allowable fine shall face the revocation of its incorporation status by the state, leading to the assumption of governance by the corresponding county authority.
2. Citizens and organizations may bring legal action against the local government for non-compliance with this act.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one (1) year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-006

By: Garcia (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to immigration; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Becoming American” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this Act:

1. “Alien” is defined as a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States.
2. “Counsel” is defined as an attorney who is licensed to practice in law in the State of Oklahoma.
3. “Right” is defined as a statutory entitlement.
4. “Public Defender” is defined as an attorney employed at public expense in a criminal trial to represent a defendant who is unable to afford legal assistance.
5. “Removal Proceedings” is defined as hearings held before an immigration judge to determine whether an individual may remain in the United States.
6. “Immigration Attorney” is defined as an attorney that represents clients in administrative courts, or they may counsel clients about their legal rights and obligations related to immigration.
7. “ITIN Number” is defined as a tax processing number issued by the Internal Revenue Service. The IRS issues ITINs to individuals who are required to have a U.S. taxpayer identification number but who do not have, and are not eligible to obtain, a Social Security number from the Social Security Administration.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The Public Defenders Office of Oklahoma will create a subdivision of the Civil Division of the Oklahoma Public Defender’s Office which will be called the “Immigration Division” and it will provide legal counsel to aliens.

2. In order to receive legal counsel from this office, the individuals must have an income that falls below or is equal to five (5) times the poverty level.
3. Aliens must have been filing taxes under an ITIN number and provide the records to the office before being considered for aid.
4. Aliens should not have been convicted of a crime or felony in the last four (4) years.
5. Public Defenders will be granted the right to practice immigration law, without appointment, in accordance with 49 O.S. § 6, by the Immigration Division of the Public Defender's Office.

Section 4. This act shall become effective one-hundred eighty-two (182) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-007

By: Hunt (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to book banning; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Reading Equity and Access for Democracy (READ)” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Library” shall be defined as an organized collection of resources made accessible to the public for reference or borrowing supported with money derived from taxation.
2. “The American Library Association’s Library Bill of Rights” shall be defined as a set of seven (7) guidelines for libraries adopted in 1939 by the American Library Association.
 - a. Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.
 - b. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
 - c. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.
 - d. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
 - e. A person’s right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.
 - f. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.

- g. All people, regardless of origin, age, background, or views, possess a right to privacy and confidentiality in their library use. Libraries should advocate for, educate about, and protect people's privacy, safeguarding all library use data, including personally identifiable information.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified in the Oklahoma statutes to read as follow:

- 1. In order to be eligible for state grants, any library or library system shall adopt the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights that indicates materials should not be proscribed or prohibited because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-008

By: Hunt (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to crimes and punishments; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. § 5; amending 21 O.S. § 543; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Limits on the Imposition of Fatal Executions (LIFE)” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 5 is amended to read as follows:

A felony is a crime which is, or may be, punishable ~~with death, or~~ by imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 543 is amended to read as follows:

Any person who, having knowledge of the actual commission of a crime or violation of statute, takes any money or property of another, or any gratuity or reward, or any engagement or promise therefor, upon any agreement or understanding, express or implied, to compound or conceal such crime, or violation of statute, or to abstain from any prosecution therefore, or to withhold any evidence thereof, is punishable as follows:

1. By imprisonment for a felony in the State Penitentiary not exceeding five (5) years, or in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, if the crime compounded is one punishable ~~either by death or~~ by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for life;
2. By imprisonment for a felony in the State Penitentiary not exceeding three (3) years, or in a county jail not exceeding six (6) months, if the crime compounded was punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for any other term than for life; or
3. By imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine not exceeding Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment, if the crime or violation of statute compounded is a crime punishable by imprisonment in a county jail, or by fine, or is a misdemeanor,

or violation of statute for which a pecuniary or other penalty or forfeiture is prescribed.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-009

By: Hunt (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to crimes and punishments; providing short title; repealing 21 O.S. § 372; repealing 21 O.S. § 373; repealing 21 O.S. § 374; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as “Freedom for Artistic Expression of Flags (FEAF)” Act of 2023.

Section 2. REPEALER 21 O.S. § 372 is hereby repealed

~~A. Any person who shall contemptuously or maliciously tear down, burn, trample upon, mutilate, deface, defile, defy, treat with indignity, wantonly destroy, or cast contempt, either by word or act, upon any flag, standard, colors or ensign of the United States of America, shall be guilty of a felony.~~

~~B. The word "defile" as used in this section shall include public conduct which brings shame or disgrace upon any flag of the United States by its use for unpatriotic or profane purpose.~~

~~C. The terms "flag", "standard", "colors", or "ensign" of the United States as used in this section shall include any picture, representation or part thereof which an average person would believe, upon seeing and without deliberation, to represent the flag, standard, colors or ensign of the United States of America.~~

Section 3. REPEALER 21 O.S. § 373 is hereby repealed

~~Any person, corporation or company violating any provision of Section 372 of this title, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), or by imprisonment for not more than three (3) years, or both, in the discretion of the court.~~

Section 4. REPEALER 21 O.S. § 374 is hereby repealed

~~Any person in this state, who shall carry or cause to be carried, or publicly display any red flag or other emblem or banner, indicating disloyalty to the Government of the United States or a belief in anarchy or other political doctrines~~

~~or beliefs, whose objects are either the disruption or destruction of organized government, or the defiance of the laws of the United States or of the State of Oklahoma, shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the Penitentiary of the State of Oklahoma for a term not exceeding ten (10) years, or by a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by both such imprisonment and fine.~~

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Bill No. OU-010

By: Hunt (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to student lunches; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 70 O.S. § 3-119; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “ Nutritional Opportunity for Student Health (NOSH)” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Household: one (1) or more people who occupy a housing unit.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 3-119, is amended to read as follows:

- A. Funds appropriated to the State Board of Education for School Lunch Matching and School Lunch Programs shall be apportioned by the State Board of Education to each school district for the purpose of providing meals for children in compliance with the National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 and Public Law 91-248, as they may hereafter be amended or supplemented.
- B. In accordance with subsection A of this section, school districts shall provide school meals at no cost to a child who is a member of a household in which the total annual income during the preceding tax year does not exceed an amount equal to three hundred percent (300%) of the federal poverty level.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Joint Resolution OBU-101

By: Saunders (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection of a proposed amendment to Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; providing for the establishment of an independent commission for the decennial apportionment of state legislative and congressional districts; providing for definitions, providing ballot title, and direction filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

SECTION V-11.

- A. The apportionment of the Legislature and federal congressional districts shall be performed by an independent commission appointed by the State Election Board of the State of Oklahoma in the year following the decennial census by the convening of the first regular session of that year.
- B. The commission shall consist of seven members, all of whom must be citizens and permanent residents of the state of Oklahoma. No more than three (3) members may be members of the same political party and no more than two (2) members may reside in the same county. Potential appointees must demonstrate an interest in serving on the commission. Further qualifications for appointments may be encoded in the Oklahoma Statutes by the Legislature. Member's terms shall expire a full year after their appointment.
- C. The Legislature may impeach and remove any member of the commission for negligence of duty, misconduct, or inability to accomplish duty.
- D. In the event of a vacancy on the commission, the State Election Board must appoint a replacement within thirty days of the vacancy. If the Board is unable to do so in the given timeframe, the Governor may appoint a replacement using the guidelines of Section 11b.
- E. The commission shall apportion legislative and congressional districts within the following guidelines: districts must not violate the United States

Constitution or federal law; districts must contain as equal a population as possible; districts should be as geographically compact and contiguous as possible; district lines should reflect geographic features such as city limits, county lines, etc., to the extent practicable.

- F. An apportionment must be passed by a simple majority vote of the commission within ninety (90) legislative days after the convening of the first regular session of the legislature. There will be a period of thirty (30) days following the commission's decision for comments by the people or recommendations by either chamber of the Legislature to be submitted for the commission's consideration. At the end of the thirty (30) day period, the final apportionment shall be voted upon by the commission and be submitted to the Secretary of State.
- G. If the commission cannot apportion during the time allotted, the State Election Board must produce one to be submitted to the Secretary of State before the end of the legislative session of that year.
- H. If a new apportionment is ordered by a court of law before the next census, the State Election Board will appoint a new commission to reapportion no more than ninety (90) days after the court ruling. The commission will issue a new apportionment that meets the court's requirements no later than ninety (90) days after the appointment.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this joint resolution:

- 1. "Apportionment" refers to the division and allocation of legislative and congressional districts for representation in the state and federal legislature.
- 2. "Independent" refers to not being affiliated with any political party.

Section 3. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in Section 1 of the resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____

State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by amending Section 11. This provides for the establishment of an independent commission to apportion legislative and congressional districts following the decennial census.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE ADOPTED BY THE PEOPLE?

___ YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

___ NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Section 4. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in Section 3 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Joint Resolution No. OSU-101

By: Hurlbut (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection of a proposed amendment to Article XXIII, Section IA of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; striking the prohibition of participation in a labor organization as a condition of employment; providing ballot title; and directing filing

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Article XXIII, section IA of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

~~SECTION IA. Participation in labor organization as condition of employment prohibited.~~

~~A. As used in this section, "labor organization" means any organization of any kind, or agency or employee representation committee or union, that exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning wages, rates of pay, hours of work, other conditions of employment, or other forms of compensation.~~

~~B. No person shall be required, as a condition of employment or continuation of employment, to:~~

- ~~1. Resign or refrain from voluntary membership in, voluntary affiliation with, or voluntary financial support of a labor organization;~~
- ~~2. Become or remain a member of a labor organization;~~
- ~~3. Pay any dues, fees, assessments, or other charges of any kind or amount to a labor organization;~~
- ~~4. Pay to any charity or other third party, in lieu of such payments, any amount equivalent to or pro rata portion of dues, fees, assessments, or other charges regularly required of members of a labor organization; or~~
- ~~5. Be recommended, approved, referred, or cleared by or through a labor organization.~~

~~C. It shall be unlawful to deduct from the wages, earnings, or compensation of an employee any union dues, fees, assessments, or other charges to be held for, transferred to, or paid over to a labor organization unless the employee has first authorized such deduction.~~

~~D. The provisions of this section shall apply to all employment contracts entered into after the effective date of this section and shall apply to any renewal or extension of any existing contract.~~

~~E. Any person who directly or indirectly violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.~~

Section 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in Section 1 of the resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____

State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure removes Article XXIII, Section IA of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma. It would eliminate the existing prohibition on labor unions to require membership and/or collection of dues as a condition of employment.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

_____ YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

_____ NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Section 3: The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in Section 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Joint Resolution No. SE-101

By: Baca (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Section 3 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution; requiring certain majority vote in the Legislature to call a special election for a measure submitted by initiative petition or referendum; increasing percentage of vote required to pass certain measures; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Section 3 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

SECTION V-3. Petitions - Veto power - Elections - Time of taking effect - Style of bills
- Duty of legislature.

Referendum petitions shall be filed with the Secretary of State not more than ninety (90) days after the final adjournment of the session of the Legislature which passed the bill on which the referendum is demanded. The veto power of the Governor shall not extend to measures voted on by the people. All elections on measures referred to the people of the state shall be had at the next election held throughout the state, except when the Legislature or the Governor shall order a special election for the express purpose of making such reference, providing that this order be supported by a two-thirds (2/3) vote in each house of the Legislature. Any measure, except for a proposed constitutional amendment, referred to the people by the initiative or referendum shall take effect and be in force when it shall have been approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon and not otherwise.

Any amendment or amendments to this Constitution that are proposed by initiative petition shall not become part of the Oklahoma constitution unless the amendment is approved by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the votes cast thereon; except in the case that the amendment is limited to repealing, in whole or in part, any provision of the Oklahoma constitution, whereupon a majority vote shall suffice.

The style of all bills shall be: "Be it Enacted By the People of the State of Oklahoma."

Petitions and orders for the initiative and for the referendum shall be filed with the Secretary of State and addressed to the Governor of the state, who shall submit the same to the people. The Legislature shall make suitable provisions for carrying into effect the provisions of this article.

Section 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in Section 1 of the resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____

State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma Article V Section 3. It would require a two-thirds majority vote in each house of the Legislature in order for the Governor or Legislature to call a special election for the purpose of voting on measures referred to the people. This measure would increase the vote required to pass a constitutional amendment proposed by initiative petition from a simple majority to a fifty-five (55%) vote.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

_____ YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

_____ NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Section 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in Section 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Joint Resolution No. TU-101

By: Plane (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection of a proposed Amendment to Article II of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; protection against discrimination; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Article II of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

SECTION XXXVIII. Oklahoma Equal Rights Amendment

No person shall be denied the equal protection of the law nor be subjected to segregation or discrimination in the exercise of their civil or political rights on account of religion, race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual identity, or mental or physical disability.

Section 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in Section 1 of the resolution shall be in the following form:

OKLAHOMA EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

Legislative Referendum No. _____

State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Article II of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by adding a new section to prohibit legal discrimination on the basis of religion, race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual identity, or mental or physical disability.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

_____ YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

_____ NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Section 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in Section 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

Senate Simple Resolution No. OU-301

By: Marron (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Simple Resolution declaring the United States Congress must analyze information and draft legislation pertaining to the regulation of use and proliferation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology.

WHEREAS, AI systems could pose a significant risk to cybersecurity measures as malicious actors, both foreign and domestic, could potentially use deep learning systems to develop advanced methods of cyberattacks and exploit vulnerabilities in current systems; and

WHEREAS, proliferation of AI systems could threaten job security for thousands of Americans as AI could be used to automate certain lines of work such as data entry, manufacturing, and software development, among others. There must be regulation put in place to address transitional measures for workers in fields where AI could potentially leave many without jobs; and

WHEREAS, use of AI is already creating significant struggle in liability and intellectual property law, as through the use of AI systems, media can be created derived from the work of artists without their consent and without compensation for vocal performance, image/identity use, and visual art; and

WHEREAS, AI can be used to propagate misinformation through the generation of alarmingly realistic images and audio that misrepresent the actions and/or opinions of individuals; and

WHEREAS, theoretical advances in AI technology could pose an existential threat to humanity as a whole if AI learning systems reach a point where they surpass human intelligence. There must be regulation considering the ethics, safety, and transparency regarding the advancement of AI technology.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

THAT the state of Oklahoma and its elected representatives urge the United States as a whole to analyze the potential risks of AI technology and draft sensible and comprehensive legislation to address these risks.

HOUSE LEGISLATION

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ECU-501

By: Rosenberg (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to voting accessibility in Oklahoma; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective Date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Non-English Speaking Voter Accessibility (NESVA)” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Non-English speaker” a person who cannot speak or understand, or has difficulty in speaking or understanding, the English language, because he/she uses only or primarily a spoken language other than English, and/or a person who uses a sign language and requires the use of a sign language interpreter to facilitate communication.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All Oklahoma counties shall have voting ballots available to be mailed to registered voters that are non-English speaking; the population of non-English speakers in the county should be over five (5) percent to qualify.
 - a. This number shall be based on the results conducted from the United States Census Bureau.
 - b. Ballots shall be conducted through the standard absentee/”mail-in” voting process.
2. This act will aid in increasing voter activity in Oklahoma counties where participation has continuously been low because of English-only voting ballots.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Disregard for this act by any Oklahoma county shall result in the possibility of legal action taken by a citizen of that county who was unable to obtain their ballot.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ECU-502

By: Rosenberg (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Oklahoma Academic Standards - Social Studies; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Oklahoma Academic Standards - Social Studies Improvement” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Accurate” enough or satisfactory for a particular purpose.
2. “Indigenous” of or relating to the earliest known inhabitants of a place and especially of a place that was colonized by a now dominant group.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All Oklahoma public school districts shall implement a procedure that enforces the Oklahoma Academic Standards- Social Studies to be held to a higher standard than presently shown.
 - a. Students will be able to demonstrate adequate knowledge about Native American History in North America and Oklahoma through modern times.
2. Oklahoma Academic Standards- Social Studies shall be rewritten to include more teachings of Indigenous Peoples and their history.
 - a. Each grade’s content standards should mention the study of Indigenous Peoples’ history in North America at least once, gradually increasing the volume and gravity of these topics as students progress through their education.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. This act shall be held to the same penalty standard that other Oklahoma Academic Standards are.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ECU-503

By: Odom (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Establishing Paternity of Newborn Children; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Establishing Paternity” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

- A. “Paternity Fraud” when a woman intentionally names a man to be the father of her child[ren] knowing that he is not the biological father.
- B. “DNA test” is a test that examines DNA and is used to identify someone or to show that people are related.
- C. “Father” a male in relation to his child[ren]; causes a pregnancy resulting in birth.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- 1. The State of Oklahoma shall require all children born to all Oklahoma residents and in all Oklahoma facilities to have a DNA test completed immediately following birth.
- 2. When possible the child’s DNA test shall be completed during a regular prenatal appointment.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ECU-504

By: Odom (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Use of Child Support; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Tyco Not Lipo” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.
- A. “Child Support” a court ordered payment, typically made by non-custodial parents to support their child[ren].
 - B. “Custodial Parent” the parent that lives with and cares for the minor child[ren] for all or most of the time.
 - C. “Audit” an official investigation of individual accounts.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- 1. All child support payments shall be paid onto a debit card strictly used for that purpose, to ensure that the money is being used for the child’s benefit.
 - 2. Random audits shall be conducted on the Custodial Parent on a random basis.
 - 3. A Custodial Parent found to have used the money for themselves will pay an equal amount into a separate account to be accessed by the child when they turn eighteen (18) years old.
- Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ECU-505

By: Odom (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Establishing Paternity of Newborn Children; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Name Them and Shame Them” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

- A. “Sex Offender” a person who has been convicted of certain sex crimes, such as rape, molestation, sexual trafficking, lewd contact, or possession of child pornography, or sexual conduct with a minor.
- B. “Sexual Conduct” Acts of masturbation, deviate sexual intercourse, sexual intercourse, or physical contact with the genitals, buttocks, breasts, or any other body part for the purpose of sexual gratification.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- 1. Persons convicted of a sexual offense involving children shall have their face, name, and other personal information printed in all state newspapers following conviction.
- 2. On release from incarceration, said persons shall have their face, name, and other personal information posted in all state newspapers at the following intervals: thirty (30) days, twenty-one (21) days, fourteen (14) days, seven (7) days, and one (1) day before their release.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to voting; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Voter Participation” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Voting” to be defined as participation in the democratic process used to express a wish to follow a particular course of action.
2. “Voting Date” is the first Tuesday of every November unless otherwise stated by the State Election Board.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It shall be illegal for businesses and corporations to now allow all of their employees four (4) hours of paid leave on election day.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any business found in violation of Section 3.1 will be fined one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to the state election board for interference with individual citizens’ right to express their vote.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. NWOSU-501

By: Carr (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to second language education; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Bilingual Education” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Language Education” The process and practice of teaching a second modern language.
2. “Modern Language” A modern language shall be defined as a communicative language that is currently used or spoken.
3. “Intermediate Level” As defined by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), speakers with intermediate proficiency “can create with language, ask and answer simple questions on familiar topics, and handle a simple situation or transaction.”
4. “Dual Language Programs” A form of education in which students are taught literacy and content in two languages.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All public school districts not already implementing a dual language program will be required to provide language education to its students from grades first (1st) to fourth (4th), with varying levels of difficulty based on current student knowledge.
 - a. The language class must last at least thirty (30) minutes and be proportionate in difficulty to the grade level being taught.
 - b. The same language must be taught all four years.

2. Any teacher providing language instruction must be qualified by demonstrating at least intermediate-high proficiency in an Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI).
3. Every student will not be allowed to advance in grade unless they have demonstrated improved or sustained language proficiency each consecutive year.
 - a. The students will be assessed at the end of each year by an OPI given by their language instructor.
 - b. OPI results will be compared to the previous year's in order to determine improved or sustained proficiency.
 - c. Transfer students from other states who did not previously receive language education will be placed in an appropriate class relative to their proficiency level.
4. If a student already demonstrates some amount of proficiency in a second language, they may be exempted from language instruction.
 - a. Their second language does not have to match the second language being taught at school.
 - b. The exempted student must also take an OPI each year to demonstrate improved or sustained proficiency.
5. Languages included in this curriculum are up to the discretion of the school district.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any district that does not comply will lose accreditation.

Section 5. This act shall become effective in the next academic school year (2024-2025) after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. NWOSU-502

By: Crites (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to banned books; providing short title; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Liberate Literature” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The Oklahoma Department of Libraries should adopt the American Library Association’s Library Bill of Rights that indicates materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval or, in the alternative, develop a written statement declaring the inherent authority of the library or library system to provide an adequate collection of books and other materials sufficient in size and varied in kind and subject matter to satisfy the library needs of the people of this state and prohibit the practice of banning specific books or resources.

Section 3. PENALTIES

1. Failing to comply with the American Library Association’s Library Bill of Rights shall cause ineligibility for municipal funds or direct library levies.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. NWOSU-503

By: Crites (NWOSU)
Hutchins (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to nonpartisan education; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 70 O.S. § 16-102 (C); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Nonpartisan Education” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Nonpartisan” shall be defined as a lack of affiliation with, and a lack of bias towards, a political party.
- Section 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 70 O.S. § 16-102 (C) is amended to read as follows:
- C. “Textbooks”, as used in Sections 16-101 through 16-124 of this title, means instructional materials that are designed for use by pupils as a learning resource. Instructional materials may be printed or nonprinted and may include textbooks, technology-based and other educational materials, but they must come from a nonpartisan source.
- Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval..

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. NWOSU-504

By: Donaldson (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the harassment of young people; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Okay Boomer” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Boomer” Any person born on or before December 31, 1980.
2. “Millennial” Any person born between the dates of January 1, 1981 and December 31, 1996.
3. “Gen Z-er” any person born between the dates of January 1, 1997 and December 31, 2012.
4. “College/University” any private four (4) year post secondary educational institution.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Any Boomer who minimizes the current price of a college education shall be enrolled at their own cost in a rehabilitation course entitled, “Okay Boomer.” This will be an on-campus, sixteen (16) week course taught by a Millennial or Gen Z-er chosen by the university. The cost will be calculated as follows: average Oklahoma college tuition + percentage of instructor’s salary (determined by the university) + misc. fees (determined by the university). The Boomer must receive a grade of C or higher to pass the course. If they do not receive a C, they must retake the course at the next possible opportunity that is offered at the same college.
2. This course shall cover the following topics:
 - a. Budgeting in Today’s Society.

- b. The Effects of Your Decisions on Our Youth.
 - c. Statistics of the Modern Age
3. Other topics may be added to the curriculum as determined by the university and instructor.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a Boomer refuses to attend the course, they must pay a fine of five hundred percent (500%) the average cost of Oklahoma college tuition to the student government association of the college nearest to them. This payment will come in the form of a giant check presented to the president of the student government association at an assembly attended by the college students. At this assembly, the Boomer will have to apologize to the younger generations for their crimes.
2. If a Boomer refuses to attend the course or pay the fine, they will be subject to serve sixteen (16) weeks in a county jail.

Section 5. This act shall go into effect on August 1, 2024 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. NWOSU-505

By: Gonser (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the prevention of disordered eating; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for finances; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Disordered Eating Prevention” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Disordered eating” is a range of irregular eating disorders that may warrant a diagnosis.
2. “Youth” an individual who is less than twenty-one (21) years of age.
3. “Older Oklahomans” an individual who is sixty-five (65) years of age or more.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. There shall exist a disordered eating prevention program, within the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. This program may:
 - a. Create and maintain an external-facing resource that is updated annually and includes key information about disordered eating, including risk factors and prevention factors. The external-facing resource must be culturally sensitive, and, when possible, available in both english and spanish.
 - b. Collaborate with other programs within the department to align work focused on disordered eating, facilitate public outreach, and increase awareness regarding disordered eating prevention with a focus on

impacted communities, such as youth, older Oklahomans, people of color, and LGBTQ+ individuals.

- c. Partner with the department of education to inform teachers, administrators, school staff, students and parents on disordered eating prevention.
- d. Coordinate a disordered eating prevention research grant program.
- e. Contract with a third-party to conduct focus groups, interview key individuals, conduct surveys, and establish a collaborative group to discuss key issues regarding disordered eating prevention.

Section 4. FINANCES

1. For the 2023-24 state fiscal year, \$3,662,363 is appropriated to the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for use by the prevention services division. To implement this act, the division may use the needed amount of this appropriation for the disordered eating prevention program related to family and community health.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. NWOSU-506

By: Martin (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to severe weather preparedness; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Hobbie Family” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Housing Rental Facility” Any complex or structure where multiple rental units are located. This includes apartment complexes and trailer home rental complexes, including those that rent out plots of land to multiple individuals as permanent residents.
2. “Tornado Safety Area” Any area deemed suitable to withstand the impact of a tornado by the ICC 500 criteria. This includes underground shelters such as basements and cellars and reinforced above-ground shelters.
3. “ICC” The Interstate Commerce Commission

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. All housing rental facilities must install and maintain a tornado safety area capable of housing at least three fourths (3/4ths) of the facility's maximum housing capacity.
 1. If a current tornado safety area exists that meets the three fourths (3/4ths) maximum housing capacity criteria, that location will not be required to construct a new safety area.
 2. Compliance inspections will be conducted every year by the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management.
 - a. Additional inspections will be conducted upon receiving a complaint regarding a violation of this law.

- b. Inspections conducted in conjunction with this law will be funded from the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management fiscal year budget.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any housing rental facility found in violation of this law will be required to pay a fine of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) in addition to constructing a shelter compliant with ICC 500 criteria or cover relocation costs to a compliant facility for all current tenants.
 - 1. Fines will be paid to the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1st, 2025 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. NWOSU-507

By: Martin (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to severe weather preparedness; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for financing; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Severe Weather Safety” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Municipality: A political subdivision of a state within which a municipal corporation has been established to provide general local government for a specific population concentration in a defined area
- B. Civil Defense Siren: A siren used to provide an emergency population warning to the general population of approaching danger

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. All municipalities in the state of Oklahoma shall be required to maintain operational civil defense sirens
 - 1. Municipalities must maintain one (1) civil defense siren per two thousand five hundred (2,500) residence
- B. All civil defense sirens in the state of Oklahoma must be equipped with a backup battery in the event of the city's power being knocked out during a severe weather event
 - 1. Compliance inspections will be completed by the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management once every two (2) years
- C. Create the Civil Defense Siren Improvement (CDSI) grant for municipalities in the State of Oklahoma.
 - 1. This will be a categorical grant for upgrading, replacing, or constructing civil defense sirens within municipalities.

2. In order to apply for the CDSI grant, individual municipalities must submit a plan for how the funds they request will be utilized.
3. The Amount given to each municipality will be decided by the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management.
4. Each municipality will be eligible to receive this grant once per fiscal year.

Section 4. FINANCES

- A. The CDSI grant will be funded through an initial one-time redirection of thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) from the general revenue fund
 1. Future funds will be added annually through a redirection of 0.5% of the year state general revenue fund

Section 5. PENALTIES

- A. Municipalities found to be in violation of this act shall be subject to a fine of no less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).
 1. This fine will be paid into the CDSI grant fund.

Section 6. This act shall become effective January 1st, 2025 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OBU-501

By: Hansen (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Public Health and Safety; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Peace and Quiet” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Child - A young human being below the age of puberty.
2. Trip - To make someone fall by putting your foot in front of the other person's foot.
3. Restaurant - A place where people pay to sit and eat meals that are cooked and served on the premises.
4. Nuisance - A person, thing, or circumstance causing inconvenience or annoyance.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. In the circumstance that a child is being an overall general nuisance and running around a restaurant disturbing the peace, any good samaritan may trip a child and cause them to stumble or fall.
2. No legal charges may be lodged against the person who commits this act to any child.
3. There must be just cause for committing such an act.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person found to be unjustly tripping children in restaurants is entitled to one (1) year of community service in the form of providing child daycare.

They will be accommodated by any child daycare service in the state and thus compensated for their labor.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OBU-502

By: Hansen (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Ballot Initiatives; providing short title; amending 34 O.S. § 1; amending 34 O.S. § 2; amending 34 O.S. § 3; amending 34 O.S. § 4; amending 34 O.S. § 5; amending 34 O.S. § 6; amending 34 O.S. § 6.1; amending 34 O.S. § 7; amending 34 O.S. § 8; amending 34 O.S. § 9; amending 34 O.S. § 10; amending 34 O.S. § 11; amending 34 O.S. § 12; amending 34 O.S. § 17; amending 34 O.S. § 18; amending 34 O.S. § 19; amending 34 O.S. § 21; amending 34 O.S. § 22; amending 34 O.S. § 23; amending 34 O.S. § 24; amending 34 O.S. § 25; amending 34 O.S. § 27; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Logical Direct Democracy” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 1 is amended to read as follows:

A. The referendum petition shall be substantially as follows:

PETITION FOR REFERENDUM

To the Honorable _____, Governor of Oklahoma (or To the Honorable _____, Mayor, Chairman of County Commissioners, or other chief executive officer, as the case may be, of the city, county or other municipal corporation of _____):

We, the undersigned legal voters of the State of Oklahoma (or district of _____, county of _____, or city of _____, as the case may be), respectfully order that Senate (or House) Bill No. _____ (or ordinance No. _____), entitled (title of Act, and if the petition is against less than the whole Act, then set forth here the part or parts on which the referendum is sought), passed by the _____ Legislature of the State of Oklahoma, at the regular (or special) session of said legislature, shall be referred to the people of the State (district of _____, county of _____, or city of _____, as the case may be) for their approval or rejection at the regular (or special) election to be held on the _____ day of _____, 20__, and each for himself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oklahoma (and district of _____, county of _____, or

city of _____, as the case may be); my residence or post office are correctly written after my name.

Referendum petitions shall be filed with the Secretary of State not more than ~~ninety (90)~~ one-hundred-eighty (180) days after the final adjournment of the session of the legislature which passed the bill on which the referendum is demanded. (For county, city or other municipality the length of time shall be thirty (30) days.)

The question we herewith submit to our fellow voters is: Shall the following bill of the legislature (or ordinance or resolution-- local legislation) be approved? (Insert here an exact copy of the text of the measure followed by proponents of record (not to exceed three signatures, complete printed name and address associated with his or her Oklahoma voter registration record) .)

B. In order for the signature to be approved by the Secretary of State, three or more data points described in subsection A of this section must be matched to the voter registration file.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 2 is amended to read as follows:

A. The form of initiative petition shall be substantially as follows:

INITIATIVE PETITION

To the Honorable _____, Governor of Oklahoma (or To the Honorable _____, Mayor, Chairman of County Commissioners, or other chief executive officers, as the case may be, for the city, county or other municipality): We, the undersigned legal voters of the State of Oklahoma (and of the district of _____, county of _____, or city of _____, as the case may be), respectfully order that the following proposed law (or amendment to the constitution, ordinance, or amendment to the city charter, as the case may be) shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Oklahoma (or of the district of _____, county of _____, or city of _____, as the case may be) for their approval or rejection at the regular general election (or regular or special city election), to be held on the ____ day of _____, 20__, and each for himself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oklahoma (and of the district of _____, county of _____, city of _____, as the case may be); my residence or post office are correctly written after my name. The time for filing this petition expires ~~ninety (90)~~ one-hundred-eighty (180) days from (insert date when petition is to be opened for signatures). (This for State initiative. For county, city, or other municipality the length of time shall be ~~ninety (90)~~ one-hundred-eighty (180) days.) The question we herewith submit

to our fellow voters is: Shall the following bill (or proposed amendment to the Constitution Oklahoma Statutes - Title 34. Initiative and Referendum Page 2 or resolution) be approved? (Insert here an exact copy of the text of the measure followed by proponents of record (not to exceed three signatures, complete printed name and address associated with his or her Oklahoma voter registration record).)

- B. In order for the signature to be approved by the Secretary of State, three or more data points described in subsection A of this section must be matched to the voter registration file.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 3 is amended to read as follows:

Each initiative petition and each referendum petition shall be duplicated for the securing of signatures, and each sheet for signatures shall be attached to a copy of the petition. Each copy of the petition and sheets for signatures is hereinafter termed a pamphlet. On the outer page of each pamphlet shall be printed the word "Warning", and underneath this in ten-point type the words, "It is a felony for anyone to sign an initiative or referendum petition with any name other than his own, or knowingly to sign his name more than once for the measure, or to sign such petition when he is not a legal voter". A simple statement of the gist of the proposition shall be printed on the top margin of each signature sheet. Not more than twenty (20) signatures on one sheet on lines provided for the signatures shall be counted. Any signature sheet not in substantial compliance with this act shall be disqualified by the Secretary of State.

Section 5. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 4 is amended to read as follows:

When any such initiative or referendum petition shall be offered for filing, the Secretary of State, in the presence of the person offering the same for filing, shall detach the sheets containing the signatures and affidavits and cause them all to be attached to one or more printed copies of the measure so proposed by initiative or referendum petition. All petitions for the initiative and referendum and sheets for signatures shall be printed on pages eight and onehalf (8 1/2) inches in width by fourteen (14) inches in length, with a margin of one and three-fourths (1 3/4) inches at the top for binding; if the aforesaid sheets shall be too bulky for convenient binding in one volume, they may be bound in two or more volumes, those in each volume to be attached to a single printed copy of such measure; the detached copies of such measures shall be delivered to Oklahoma Statutes - Title 34. Initiative and Referendum Page 3 the person offering the same for filing. Each of the volumes and each signature sheet therein shall be numbered consecutively,

and a cover sheet shall be attached, showing the purported number of signature sheets, the series of numbers assigned to the signature sheets and the total number of signatures counted per volume. The Secretary of State shall render a signed receipt to the person offering the petition for filing, which receipt shall include a report, volume by volume, showing the number of signature sheets in each volume, the series of numbers assigned to the signature sheets in each volume, and the number of purported signatures in each volume. Duplicate copies of the cover sheets, with necessary corrections, may be used as receipts. If the volume of signatures is sufficiently large, the Secretary of State shall seal the petitions in such manner that they cannot be opened unless the seal is broken, and if requested by those filing said petition, they shall not be opened before 9:00 a.m. on the day following the date said petitions are filed and said procedure shall continue until such time as the Secretary shall be able to receipt the petitions so filed; but additional signature sheets shall not be accepted after 5:00 p.m. on ninetieth day. The Secretary of State shall not provide any copies of signature sheets to anyone until the sheets have been bound as provided in this section.

Provided, that whenever reference is made in this act to the Secretary of State, such reference shall include the Secretary of State or any officer constitutionally designated to perform the duties herein prescribed.

Section 6. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 5 is amended to read as follows:

- A. If any measure shall, at the ensuing election, be approved by the people, then the copies so preserved, with the sheets of signatures and affidavits, and a certified copy of the Governor's proclamation declaring the same to have been approved by the people, shall be bound together in such form that they may be conveniently identified. The material required to be bound together shall be preserved by the Secretary of State for two (2) years after the measure was filed with the Secretary of State or, if objections or protests are filed on a measure, for two (2) years after the final decision of the Supreme Court on any objections or protests filed. Thereafter, the Secretary of State may dispose of the material in cooperation with the Archives and Records Commission.
- B. The Secretary of State may dispose of materials from measures which were filed prior to this act in cooperation with the Archives and Records Commission.
- C. The Secretary of State shall cause every such measure so approved by the people to be printed with the general laws enacted by the next ensuing session of the Legislature with the date of the Governor's proclamation declaring the same to have been approved by the people.

Section 9. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 7 is amended to read as follows:

Each order for a direct ballot by the voters that is filed with the Secretary of State by initiative petition, referendum petition, and by the Legislature shall be numbered consecutively, each in a series by itself, beginning with one, to be continued year after year, without duplication of numbers.

Section 10. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 8 is amended to read as follows:

- A. When a citizen or citizens desire to circulate a petition initiating a proposition of any nature, whether to become a statute law or an amendment to the Constitution, or for the purpose of invoking a referendum upon legislative enactments, such citizen or citizens shall, when such petition is prepared, and before the same is circulated or signed by electors, file a true and exact copy of same in the office of the Secretary of State and shall at the same time file a separate ballot title, which shall not be part of or printed on the petition.
- B. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to cause to be published, in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the state, a notice of such filing and the apparent sufficiency or insufficiency of the petition, and shall include notice that any citizen or citizens of the state may file a protest as to the constitutionality of the petition, by a written notice to the Supreme Court and to the proponent or proponents filing the petition. Any such protest must be filed within ten (10) business days after publication. A copy of the protest shall be filed with the Secretary of State.
- C. Upon the filing of a protest to the petition, the Supreme Court shall then fix a day, not less than ten (10) business days thereafter, at which time it will hear testimony and arguments for and against the sufficiency of such petition.
- D. A protest filed by anyone hereunder may, if abandoned by the party filing same, be revived within five (5) business days by any other citizen. After such hearing the Supreme Court shall decide whether such petition is in the form required by the statutes. If the Court is at the time adjourned, the Chief Justice shall immediately convene the same for such hearing. No objection to the sufficiency shall be considered unless it has been made and filed as herein provided.
- E. Signature-gathering Deadline for Initiative Petitions. When an initiative petition has been filed in the office of the Secretary of State and all appeals, protests and rehearings have been resolved or the period for such has expired, the Secretary of State shall set the date for circulation of signatures for the petition to begin but in no event shall the date be less than fifteen (15) days

nor more than thirty (30) days from the date when all appeals, protests and rehearings have been resolved or have expired. Notification shall be sent to the proponents specifying the date on which circulation of the petition shall begin and that the signatures are due within ~~ninety (90)~~ one-hundred-eighty (180) days of the date set. Each elector shall sign his or her legally registered name, address or post office box, and the name of the county of residence. Any petition not filed in accordance with this provision shall not be considered. The proponents of an initiative petition, any time before the final submission of signatures, may withdraw the initiative petition upon written notification to the Secretary of State.

- F. Signature-gathering Deadline for Referendum Petitions. All signed signatures supporting a referendum petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State not later than ~~ninety (90)~~ one-hundred-eighty (180) days after the adjournment of the legislative session in which the measure, which is the subject of the referendum petition, was enacted.
- G. The proponents of a referendum or an initiative petition may terminate the circulation period any time during the ~~ninety~~ one-hundred-eighty (180)-day circulation period by certifying to the Secretary of State that:
 - 1. All signed petitions have already been filed with the Secretary of State;
 - 2. No more petitions are in circulation; and
 - 3. The proponents will not circulate any more petitions.

If the Secretary of State receives such a certification from the proponents, the Secretary of State shall begin the counting process.

- H. When the signed copies of a petition are timely filed, the Secretary of State shall file a copy of the proponent's ballot title with the Attorney General, and after conducting a count of the filed, signed petition, the Secretary of State shall certify to the Supreme Court of the state:
 - 1. The total number of signatures counted pursuant to procedures set forth in this title; and
 - 2. The total number of votes cast for the state office receiving the highest number of votes cast at the last general election.

The Supreme Court shall make the determination of the numerical sufficiency or insufficiency of the signatures counted by the Secretary of State.

- I. Upon order of the Supreme Court it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to forthwith cause to be published, in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the state, a notice of the filing of the signed petitions and the apparent sufficiency or insufficiency thereof, and shall also publish the text of the ballot title as reviewed and approved or, if applicable, as rewritten by the Attorney General pursuant to the provisions of subsection D of Section 9 of this title and notice that any citizen or citizens of the state may file an

objection to the count made by the Secretary of State, by a written notice to the Supreme Court and to the proponent or proponents filing the petition. Any such objection must be filed within ten (10) business days after publication and must relate only to the validity or number of the signatures or a challenge to the ballot title. A copy of the objection to the count or ballot title shall be filed with the Supreme Court, the Attorney General and the Secretary of State.

- J. Upon appeal and if ordered or directed by the Supreme Court, the Secretary of State shall deliver the bound volumes of signatures to the Supreme Court.
- K. Upon the filing of an objection to the signature count or ballot title, the Supreme Court shall resolve the objection with dispatch. The Supreme Court shall adopt rules to govern proceedings to apply to the challenge of a measure on the grounds that the proponents failed to gather sufficient signatures.
- L. If in the opinion of the Supreme Court, any objection to the count or protest to the petition is frivolous, the Court may impose appropriate sanctions, including an award of costs and attorneys fees to either party as the Court deems equitable.
- M. Whenever reference is made in this act to the Supreme Court, such reference shall include the members of the Supreme Court or any officer constitutionally designated to perform the duties herein prescribed.

Section 11. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 9 is amended to read as follows:

- A. When a referendum is ordered by petition of the people against any measure passed by the Legislature or when any measure is proposed by initiative petition, whether as an amendment to the Constitution or as a statute, it shall be the duty of the parties submitting the measure to prepare and file one copy of the measure with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.
- B. The parties submitting the measure shall also submit a suggested ballot title to the Secretary of State which shall be filed on a separate sheet of paper and shall not be part of or printed on the petition. The suggested ballot title:
 - 1. Shall not exceed two hundred words;
 - 2. Shall explain in basic words, which can be easily found in dictionaries of general usage, the effect of the proposition;
 - 3. Shall not contain any words which have a special meaning for a particular profession or trade not commonly known to the citizens of this state;
 - 4. Shall not reflect partiality in its composition or contain any argument for or against the measure;

5. Shall contain language which clearly states that a "yes" vote is a vote in favor of the proposition and a "no" vote is a vote against the proposition; and
 6. Shall not contain language whereby a "yes" vote is, in fact, a vote against the proposition and a "no" vote is, in fact, a vote in favor of the proposition.
 7. Shall indicate if a proposed measure will have a fiscal impact on the state and if so, the potential source of funding including but not limited to federal funding or legislative appropriation which may require imposition of a new tax, increase of an existing tax or elimination of existing services.
- C. When a measure is proposed as a constitutional amendment by the Legislature or when the Legislature proposes a statute conditioned upon approval by the people:
1. After final passage of a measure, the Secretary of State shall submit the proposed ballot title to the Attorney General for review as to legal correctness. Within five (5) business days after receipt from the Secretary of State, the Attorney General shall, in writing, notify the Secretary of State, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the principal authors of the bill whether or not the proposed ballot title complies with applicable laws. The Attorney General shall state with specificity any and all defects found and, if necessary, within ten (10) business days of determining that the proposed ballot title is defective, prepare a preliminary ballot title which complies with the law and furnish a copy of such ballot title to the Secretary of State, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the principal authors of the bill. The Attorney General may consider any comments made by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives submitted within five (5) business days of their being furnished a copy of the preliminary ballot title. The Attorney General shall respond in writing to the comments and shall file a final ballot title with the Secretary of State no later than fifteen (15) business days after furnishing the preliminary ballot title; and
 2. After receipt of the measure and the official ballot title, as certified by the Attorney General, the Secretary of State shall within five (5) days transmit to the Secretary of the State Election Board an attested copy of the measure, including the official ballot title.
- D. The following procedure shall apply to ballot titles of referendums ordered by a petition of the people or any measure proposed by an initiative petition:
1. After the filing of the signed referendum petitions or the signed initiative petitions, the Secretary of State shall submit the proposed separate ballot

title to the Attorney General for review as to legal correctness. Within five (5) business days after the receipt of the ballot title, the Attorney General shall, in writing, notify the Secretary of State whether or not the proposed ballot title complies with applicable laws. The Attorney General shall state with specificity any and all defects found and, if necessary, within ten (10) business days of determining that the proposed ballot title is defective, prepare and file a ballot title which complies with the law; and

2. Within ten (10) business days after completion of the review and, if necessary, the filing of a ballot title in compliance with law, by the Attorney General, the Secretary of State shall, if no appeal is filed, transmit to the Secretary of the State Election Board an attested copy of the measure, including the official ballot title, and a certification that the requirements of this section have been met. If an appeal is taken from such ballot title within the time specified in Section 10 of this title, then the Secretary of State shall certify to the Secretary of the State Election Board the ballot title which is finally approved by the Supreme Court.

Section 12. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 10 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Any person who is dissatisfied with the wording of a ballot title may, within ten (10) business days after the same is published by the Secretary of State as provided for in subsection I of Section 8 of this title, appeal to the Supreme Court by petition in which shall be offered a substitute ballot title for the one from which the appeal is taken. Upon the hearing of such appeal, the court may correct or amend the ballot title before the court, or accept the substitute suggested, or may draft a new one which will conform to the provisions of Section 9 of this title.
- B. No such appeal shall be allowed as to the ballot title of constitutional and legislative enactments proposed by the Legislature

Section 13. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 11 is amended to read as follows:

Notice of the appeal provided for in the preceding section shall be served upon the Attorney General and upon the party who filed such ballot title, or on any of such parties, at least five (5) business days before such appeal is heard by the court. The Attorney General shall, and any citizen interested may, defend the ballot title from which the appeal is taken. Other procedure upon such appeals shall be the same as is prescribed for appeals from petitions filed as set forth in Section 8 of this title.

Section 14. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 12 is amended to read as follows:

When an initiative or referendum petition has been properly filed with sufficient signatures thereon, as provided in this title, and all objections or protests have been resolved or the period for filing such has expired, the Secretary of State shall, in writing, notify the Governor, who shall issue a proclamation setting forth the substance of the measure and the date on which the vote will be held.

Section 15. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 17 is amended to read as follows:

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State, not less than five (5) business days before any election held throughout the state at which any proposed law, part of an act, or amendment to the constitution is to be submitted to the people of the state for their approval or rejection, to cause to be published once in two different newspapers of general statewide circulation and in a newspaper of general circulation in each county, a copy of all ballots on initiated and referred questions, measures, and constitutional amendments, and an explanation of how to vote for or against propositions. The Secretary of State shall designate the newspapers in which the publication shall be made. The publication shall be paid for at the legal rate for other publications, out of any funds of the state appropriated therefor.

Section 16. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 18 is amended to read as follows:

In the event any official of this state shall fail or neglect to prepare or have published the argument and other matter as provided by law, or to perform any other duty required in connection therewith, any elector may petition the district court, without cost to him, where any such officer has his official residence, for a writ of mandamus to require such officer to perform such duty, and the district courts of this state are hereby given jurisdiction to issue writs of mandamus and require performance of such duty as provided by law.

Section 17. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 19 is amended to read as follows:

The failure to prepare and have published the argument and other matter as provided by law shall not invalidate the election held on any initiative or referendum or Constitutional amendment proposed by the Legislature, and no election on any such measure shall be declared or held invalid on the grounds that such publication was not so prepared or published.

Section 18. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 21 is amended to read as follows:

Where there are competing measures and neither receives a majority of the votes cast for and against the one receiving the greatest number of votes shall, if it has received more than onethird (1/3) of the votes cast for and against both bills, be submitted by itself at the next general election. If two or more conflicting laws shall be approved by the people at the same election, the law receiving the greatest number of affirmative votes shall be paramount in all particulars as to which there is a conflict, even though such law may not have received the greatest majority of affirmative votes. If two or more conflicting amendments to the constitution shall be approved by the people at the same election, the amendment which receives the greatest number of affirmative votes shall be paramount in all particulars as to which there is a conflict even though such amendment may not have received the greatest majority of affirmative votes.

Section 19. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 22 is amended to read as follows:

Whenever any measure or proposition is submitted to a vote by the initiative or referendum, it shall be the duty of the precinct election board of the precinct to make and transmit to the county election board the returns thereof in the same manner that they make their returns in the case of an election of public officers, transmitting to such county election board a certificate of the total number of electors voting in such elections; and the county election board shall keep a record showing such total number of votes cast in each of such precincts as shown by such returns. Should the proposition be one covering the state at large, or any district therein, or be of such other nature as to require it the county election board shall certify the result of such election to the State Election Board in the same manner as it certifies the result of Oklahoma Statutes - Title 34. Initiative and Referendum Page 12 election for public officers, and such county election board shall transmit to the State Election Board a certificate showing the total number of votes cast at any such election. It shall be the duty of the State Election Board to keep a record of all such election returns made to it under the provisions of this section.

Section 20. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 23 is amended to read as follows:

Every person who is a qualified elector of the State of Oklahoma may sign a petition for the referendum or for the initiative for any measure upon which he is legally entitled to vote. Any person signing any name other than his own to any petition, or knowingly signing his name more than once for the same measure at

one election, or who is not at the time of signing the same a legal voter of this state, or whoever falsely makes or willfully destroys a petition or any part thereof, or who signs or files any certificate or petition knowing the same or any part thereof to be falsely made, or suppresses any certificate or petition or any part thereof which has been duly filed or who shall violate any provision of this statute, or who shall aid or abet any other person in doing any of said acts; and any person violating any provision of this chapter, shall upon conviction thereof be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding two (2) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court before which such conviction shall be had.

Section 21. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 24 is amended to read as follows:

The procedure herein prescribed is not mandatory, but if substantially followed will be sufficient. If the end aimed at can be attained and procedure shall be sustained, clerical and mere technical errors shall be disregarded.

Section 22. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 25 is amended to read as follows:

Whenever any measure shall be initiated by the people in the manner provided by law, or whenever the referendum shall be demanded against any measure passed by the Legislature, same shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular election; provided, the Governor shall have power, in his discretion, to call a special election to vote upon such questions, or to designate the mandatory primary election as a special election for such purpose.

Section 23. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 27 is amended to read as follows:

The Secretary of State may prepare and distribute information to the public on the initiative and referendum process. The information shall include, but not be limited to relevant statutes and constitutional provisions related to the initiative and referendum process. The information should also outline the initiative and referendum process in a chronological order.

Section 24. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OBU-503

By: Laginess (OBU) of the House
Marron (OU) of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to memes; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Memes for Days” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Boomer” is defined as a person over the age of fifty five (55).
2. “Stale” is defined as lame, outdated, or otherwise “not with the times.”

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Those within the state who are between the age of eighteen (18) to twenty one (21) shall elect an annual committee to be named the State Meme Committee which will hereby vote on recognizing a new meme each month.
2. The “Ok Boomer Clause” states that no boomer shall be elected to the committee.
3. A potential candidate of the State Meme Committee shall be elected no more than three (3) times consecutively or non-consecutively to ensure meme impartialness and the prevention of the proposal of stale memes.
4. Potential memes must be reviewed by the committee to uphold standards befitting of the character and current cultural climate of the state of Oklahoma.
5. Memes must not be overly vulgar or discriminatory.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

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House Bill No. OBU-504

By: Laginess (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to healthcare; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Corrective Eyewear Expansion” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Medically Necessary” is defined as a need for corrective or preventive measures determined by a medical professional.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Corrective contact lenses shall be financially covered under SoonerCare’s vision coverage; as are corrective lenses and frames, when deemed medically necessary by an optometrist.
 - a. Recipients may receive either glasses or contacts, but may not receive both.
 - b. Recipients may receive either glasses or contacts, but may not receive both.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any practice or vendor found to be in violation of the terms of this legislation are subject to a fine of up to but not exceeding five-thousand (5,000) dollars for the first offense.
 - a. Any repeating offenses are subject to increased fines up to ten thousand (10,000) dollars.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

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House Bill No. OBU-505

By: Lepp (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to human trafficking; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. § 748; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Your Short Title Here” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 748 is amended to read as follows:

A. As used in Sections 748 and 748.2 of this title:

1. “Coercion” means compelling, forcing or intimidating a person to act by:
 - a. threats of harm or physical restraint against any person,
 - b. any act, scheme, plan, or pattern intended to cause a person to believe that performing, or failing to perform, an act would result in serious physical, financial, or emotional harm or distress to or physical restraint against any person,
 - c. the abuse or threatened abuse of the law or legal process,
 - d. knowingly destroying, concealing, removing, confiscating or possessing any actual or purported passport, labor or immigration document, or other government identification document, including but not limited to a driver license or birth certificate, of another person,
 - e. facilitating or controlling a person’s access to any addictive or controlled substance other than for legal medical purposes,
 - f. blackmail,
 - g. demanding or claiming money, goods, or any other thing of value from or on behalf of a prostituted person where such demand or claim arises from or is directly related to the act of prostitution,
 - h. determining, dictating or setting the times at which another person will be available to engage in an act of prostitution with a third party,
 - i. determining, dictating or setting the places at which another person will be available for solicitation of, or to engage in, an act of prostitution with a third party, or

- j. determining, dictating or setting the places at which another person will reside for purposes of making such person available to engage in an act of prostitution with a third party;
- 2. “Commercial sex” means any form of commercial sexual activity such as sexually explicit performances, prostitution, participation in the production of pornography, performance in a strip club, or exotic dancing or display;
- 3. “Debt bondage” means the status or condition of a debtor arising from a pledge by the debtor of his or her personal services or of those of a person under his or her control as a security for debt if the value of those services as reasonably assessed is not applied toward the liquidation of the debt or the length and nature of those services are not respectively limited and defined;
- 4. “Human trafficking” means modern-day slavery that includes, but is not limited to, extreme exploitation and the denial of freedom or liberty of an individual for purposes of deriving benefit from that individual’s commercial sex act or labor;
- 5. “Human trafficking for labor” means:
 - a. recruiting, enticing, harboring, maintaining, transporting, providing or obtaining, by any means, another person through deception, force, fraud, threat or coercion or for purposes of engaging the person in labor, or
 - b. benefiting, financially or by receiving anything of value, from participation in a venture that has engaged in an act of trafficking for labor;
- 6. “Human trafficking for commercial sex” means:
 - a. recruiting, enticing, harboring, maintaining, transporting, providing or obtaining, by any means, another person through deception, force, fraud, threat or coercion for purposes of engaging the person in a commercial sex act,
 - b. recruiting, enticing, harboring, maintaining, transporting, providing, purchasing or obtaining, by any means, a minor for purposes of engaging the minor in a commercial sex act, or
 - c. benefiting, financially or by receiving anything of value, from participating in a venture that has engaged in an act of trafficking for commercial sex;
- 7. “Legal process” means the criminal law, the civil law, or the regulatory system of the federal government, any state, territory, district, commonwealth, or trust territory therein, and any foreign government or

subdivision thereof and includes legal civil actions, criminal actions, and regulatory petitions or applications; and

8. "Minor" means an individual under eighteen (18) years of age.
 9. "Victim" means a person against whom a violation of any provision of this section has been committed.
- B. It shall be unlawful to knowingly engage in human trafficking.
 - C. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than five (5) years, or by a fine of not more than ~~Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)~~, 1.5 million or by both such fine and imprisonment. Any person violating the provisions of this section where the victim of the offense is under eighteen (18) years of age at the time of the offense shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than ten (10) years, or by a fine of not more than Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment. The court shall also order the defendant to pay restitution to the victim as provided in Section 991f of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
 - D. It is an affirmative defense to prosecution for a criminal offense that, during the time of the alleged commission of the offense, the defendant was a victim of human trafficking.
 - E. The consent of the minor to the activity prohibited by this section shall not constitute a defense.
 - F. Lack of knowledge of the age of the victim shall not constitute a defense to the activity prohibited by this section with respect to human trafficking of a minor.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OBU-506

By: Lepp (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to human trafficking; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. § 748.2; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Your Short Title Here” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 748.2 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Human trafficking victims shall:
1. Be housed in an appropriate shelter as soon as practicable;
 2. Not be detained in facilities inappropriate to their status as crime victims;
 3. Not be jailed, fined, or otherwise penalized due to having been trafficked;
 4. Receive prompt medical care, mental health care, food, and other assistance, as necessary;
 5. Have access to legal assistance, information about their rights, and translation services, as necessary; and
 6. Be provided protection if the safety of the victim is at risk or if there is a danger of additional harm by recapture of the victim by a trafficker, including:
 - a. Taking measures to protect trafficked persons and their family members from intimidation and threats of reprisals, and
 - b. Ensuring that the names and identifying information of trafficked persons and their family members are not disclosed to the public.
- B. Any person aggrieved by a violation of subsection B of Section 748 of this title may bring a civil action against the person or persons who committed the violation to recover actual and punitive damages and reasonable attorney fees and costs. The civil action brought under this section may be instituted in the district court in this state in the county in which the prospective defendant resides or has committed any act which subjects him or her to liability under this section. A criminal case or prosecution is not a necessary precedent to the civil action. The statute of limitations for the cause of action shall not commence until the latter of the victim's emancipation from the defendant, the

victim's twenty-first birthday, sixteenth birthday, or the plaintiff discovers or reasonably should have discovered that he or she was a victim of human trafficking and that the defendant caused, was responsible for or profited from the human trafficking.

- C. Upon availability of funds, the Attorney General is authorized to establish an emergency hotline number for victims of human trafficking to call in order to request assistance or rescue. The Attorney General is authorized to enter into agreements with the county departments of health to require posting of the rights contained in this section along with the hotline number for publication in locations as directed by the State Department of Health.
- D. Any peace officer who comes in contact with a human trafficking victim shall inform the victim of the human trafficking emergency hotline number and give notice to the victim of certain rights. The notice shall consist of handing the victim a written statement of the rights provided for in subsection A of this section.
- E. 1. Any peace officer or employee of a district court, juvenile bureau or Office of Juvenile Affairs who has reasonable suspicion that a minor may be a victim of human trafficking and is in need of immediate protection shall assume protective custody over the minor and immediately notify the Department of Human Services. The minor shall be transferred to the emergency custody of the Department pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-4-201 of Title 10A of the Oklahoma Statutes. While in custody of the Department, the minor shall be provided with any necessary emergency social services which include, but shall not be limited to, medical examination or treatment, or a mental health assessment.

Law enforcement and the Department of Human Services shall conduct a joint investigation into the claim.

The minor shall remain in the custody of the Department of Human Services until the investigation has been completed, but for no longer than two (2) judicial days, for the show-cause hearing. The Department may release the minor to the custody of a parent or legal guardian if it determines the minor will not be subject to further exploitation. If no such determination is made, the minor shall be subject to the deprived child provisions of the Oklahoma Children's Code and made eligible for appropriate child welfare services.

2. The minor shall not be subject to juvenile delinquency proceedings or child-in-need-of-supervision proceedings for prostitution offenses or misdemeanor or nonviolent felony offenses committed as a result of being a victim of human trafficking.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and

approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OBU-507

By: Wilson (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to beverages; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 25 O.S. § 98.7; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “State Drink Recognition” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

A. “Dr Pepper” refers to the carbonated drink produced by the brand Dr Pepper.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. § 98.7 is amended to read as follows:

A. Milk Dr Pepper is hereby designated and adopted as the official drink of the State of Oklahoma.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OBU-508

Wilson (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Turnpikes; providing short title; amending 69 O.S. § 1705(e)(20); amending 69 O.S. § 1705(e)(28); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Things Have Changed Since Then” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY O.S. §69-1705(e)(20) is amended to read as follows:

20. All or any part of an Oklahoma City Outer Loop expressway system beginning in the vicinity of I-35 and the Turner Turnpike and extending west into Canadian County and then south to I-40; and then south and east to I-35 in the vicinity of Moore and Norman; and then extending east and north to I-40 east of Tinker Field; and then extending north to the Turner Turnpike to complete the Outer Loop.

Section 3. AMENDATORY O.S. §69-1705(e)(28) is amended to read as follows:

28. A new turnpike and bridge or any parts thereof from a point in the vicinity of the city of Mustang southerly across the South Canadian River to the H.E. Bailey Turnpike in the vicinity of the city of Tuttle; and then easterly across the South Canadian River to a point in the vicinity of the city of Norman.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-501

By: Bowman (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to ensuring the wellbeing of teen parents; providing for short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the "Oklahoma Teen Parent Support Program Act" of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. The state of Oklahoma shall establish the "Teen Parent Support Program" (TPSP) to provide comprehensive support for teenage mothers up to the age of nineteen (19) who are residents of the state.
- B. The TPSP shall be administered by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (DHS) in collaboration with local educational institutions, healthcare providers, and childcare facilities.

Section 3. EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

- A. The TPSP shall offer educational opportunities for teenage mothers, including:
 - 1. Access to high school completion programs, including online and alternative education options, to enable teenage mothers to earn a high school diploma or equivalent.
 - 2. Guidance and counseling services to help teenage mothers set and achieve academic goals.
 - 3. Access to vocational training and higher education opportunities.

Section 4. CHILDCARE SUPPORT

- A. The TPSP shall provide childcare services to enable teenage mothers to continue their education and participate in other support programs. Childcare services may include:

1. Access to affordable, high-quality childcare facilities.
 2. Financial assistance for childcare costs, based on need and income eligibility.
- B. Childcare facilities participating in the TPSP shall meet state licensing and safety standards.

Section 5. HEALTHCARE SUPPORT

- A. The TPSP shall offer healthcare support for teenage mothers and their children, including:
1. Access to prenatal, postnatal, and pediatric healthcare services.
 2. Information and resources related to family planning and reproductive health.
 3. Mental health and counseling services, if needed.

Section 6. PROGRAM COORDINATION

- A. The Oklahoma Department of Human Services shall establish a dedicated office to oversee the implementation and coordination of the TPSP.
- B. Local educational institutions, healthcare providers, and childcare facilities shall collaborate with the TPSP office to ensure seamless delivery of services to teenage mothers.

Section 7. OUTREACH AND AWARENESS

- A. The TPSP office shall conduct outreach and awareness campaigns to inform teenage mothers about the program and its benefits.
- B. Information about the TPSP shall be disseminated through schools, healthcare providers, social services agencies, and community organizations.

Section 8. FUNDING

- A. Funding for the TPSP shall be allocated through the state budget, and the program may also seek federal grants and private donations to support its initiatives.

Section 9. REPORTING AND EVALUATION

- A. The TPSP office shall submit annual reports to the Oklahoma State Legislature outlining the program's progress, impact, and recommendations for improvement.

Section 10. Severability

Suppose any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid. In that case, the remainder of the Act or the application of the provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 11. This act shall take effect ninety (90) days following passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-502

By: Bowman (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to road safety; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This Act may be cited as the "Oklahoma Child Support for Victims' Children Act" of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. "Impaired Driver" refers to an individual operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or any other substance that impairs their ability to drive safely.
 - B. "Victim" refers to the individual who has lost their life due to an accident involving an impaired driver.
 - C. "Custodial Guardian" refers to the surviving spouse, relative, or legal guardian raising a victim's children.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
- A. If a defendant is convicted of an offense under Section XX (Intoxication Manslaughter) of the Oklahoma Penal Code, the court shall order the defendant to pay mandatory restitution for supporting a child whose parent or guardian was the victim of the offense.
 - B. The court shall determine the monthly restitution payments to support the child until the child reaches eighteen (18) years of age or has graduated from high school, whichever is later.
 - C. Restitution payments shall not be required for individuals nineteen (19) or older.

- D. The court shall determine the amount for restitution that is reasonable and necessary to support the child, considering relevant factors, including but not limited to:
 - 1. the financial needs and resources of the child;
 - 2. the financial needs and resources of the surviving parent, guardian, or other legal custodian of the child;
 - 3. the standard of living to which the child is accustomed;
 - 4. the physical and emotional condition of the child and the child's educational needs;
 - 5. the child's physical and legal custody arrangements;
 - 6. the reasonable work-related child care expenses of the surviving parent or guardian, if applicable;
 - 7. the financial resources of the defendant.
- E. Restitution payments shall be made in the manner prescribed by the court and directed to the custodial guardian of the child or the relevant state agency if applicable.
- F. If the defendant cannot make restitution payments due to incarceration resulting from the offense, the defendant shall begin payments not later than the first anniversary of the defendant's release from the correctional facility. The defendant may enter a payment plan to address any arrearage on the release date.
- G. The restitution paid under this Act may be deducted from any civil judgment against the defendant as the law provides.
- H. A restitution order issued under this Act may be enforced by the relevant state agency or by the person or legal guardian of the person named in the order to receive the restitution in the same manner as a judgment in a civil action.

Section 4. This act shall take effect ninety (90) days following passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-503

By: Burris (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to reparations to the Freedman and Black Americans of Oklahoma; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “New Generation Justice” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act:

1. “Freedman” refers to the black people/descendants that were forcibly removed from their homelands in the south and enslaved by tribes on Indian territory in Oklahoma.
2. “Black Americans” refers to a foundational ethnic group who are the descendants of African Slaves in the U.S.
3. “Reparations” refers to the making of amends for a wrong one has done, by paying money to or otherwise helping those who have been wronged.
4. “Descendants” refers to a person or animal that is descended from a specific ancestor.
5. “University” refers to any institution of higher education and research which awards academic degrees in several academic disciplines in Oklahoma.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows.

1. All descendants of the Freedman of the Five Civilized Tribes shall receive three (3) million dollars in reparations over the course of eight (8) years.
2. All Black Americans including the Freedman shall receive a thirty thousand dollar (\$30,000) scholarship to attend any University in Oklahoma following their graduation of high school, including those currently enrolled in a University in Oklahoma.

3. The descendants of the Freedman shall be recognized once again as Native Americans and receive federal funding.

Section 4. This act shall become effective one hundred eight (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-504

By: Burris (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to implementing the principles of the Ten Commandments and the requirement for etiquette, and morals classes; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Edifying God’s Children” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act:

- A. “The Ten Commandments” are a set of biblical principles.
 - 1. “You shall not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.”
 - 2. “Remember the Sabbath by keeping it Holy”.
 - 3. “Honor your father and mother.”
 - 4. “You shall not commit adultery.”
 - 5. “You shall not steal.”
 - 6. “You shall not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
 - 7. “You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.”
- B. “Public Schools” refers to any learning institution in Oklahoma that is funded by local, state and/or federal governments.
- C. “Etiquette” is the customary code of polite behavior in society or among members of a particular profession or group.
 - 1. Say “please” and “thank you” ...
 - 2. Practice good table manners. ...
 - 3. Be mindful of your language. ...
 - 4. Respect personal space. ...
 - 5. Dress appropriately. ...
 - 6. Be a good listener. ...
 - 7. Put your phone away.
 - 8. People skills
 - 9. Interacting with people from other cultures.

- D. “Integrity” refers to the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles, moral uprightness.
- E. “Religious freedom” is that everyone in the United States has the right to practice his or her own religion, or no religion at all.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma statutes at Section to read as follows.

1. All public schools including primary and secondary schools of Oklahoma shall start implementing the Ten Commandments principles as listed in Section 1 as part of the school curriculum.
2. All students must take a morals, integrity, and etiquette class as part of high school graduation requirements. These courses must include some of the principles from Ten Commandments while honoring students’ religious freedom.
3. All students who attend a public school in Oklahoma shall have the option to take Biblical theology classes as an elective.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-505

By: Burris (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to cyber bullying of minors in Oklahoma; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Anti Cyber-Bullying” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act:

- A. “Cyber Bullying” refers to the use of electronic communication to bully a person, typically by sending messages of an intimidating or threatening nature.
 - 1. Revenge porn
 - 2. Social exclusion
 - 3. Cyber stalking
 - 4. Harassment
 - 5. Catfishing
 - 6. Hacking
 - 7. Doxing (the act of publicly providing personally identifiable information about an individual or organization, usually via the Internet).
- B. “Student” refers to a student who is eighteen (18) years of age or younger who attends a primary and secondary school in Oklahoma.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. No student organization or any person associated with any organization sanctioned or authorized by the governing board of any public or private school or institution of higher education in this state shall engage or participate in cyber bullying.

- B. No student or any person sanctioned or authorized by the governing board of any public or private school or institution of higher education in this state shall engage or participate in cyber bullying.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any student or person found in violation of Section 3, subsection A, faces immediate expulsion and a minimum one thousand dollar (\$1,000) fine.
- B. Any student found in violation of Section 3, subsection A, shall serve a minimum of seventy-two (72) hours community service.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-506

By: Cavanaugh (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Driver's License Renewal and Road Safety; providing short title; establishing renewal requirements; ensuring inclusivity for individuals without regular access to a vehicle; addressing financial constraints; reporting and evaluation; allocating funding; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Move Your Issues Off the Road” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Department” - The Oklahoma Department of Public Safety
2. “Renewal Cycle” - A period of five (5) years during which a driver must renew their license.
3. “Exemption” A provision allowing certain individuals to be exempt from the renewal requirement based on specified criteria.

Section 3. RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. All drivers holding a valid Oklahoma driver's license, regardless of vehicle ownership, shall be required to renew their license within the designated renewal cycle of five (5) years.
2. The Department shall establish an accessible and convenient renewal process, including options for online renewal, in-person renewal at designated centers, and mobile renewal units to reach individuals without regular access to transportation.
3. Individuals experiencing financial constraints may apply for a fee waiver or reduction, based on eligibility criteria determined by the Department.
4. The Department shall implement a sliding scale fee structure for the renewal process, ensuring affordability for all residents.
5. The renewal process shall include the following components:
 - (a) A written knowledge test covering updated traffic laws and regulations.

- (b) Alternative evaluation methods for individuals who do not have regular access to a vehicle.

Section 4. IMPLEMENTATION

1. The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) shall be responsible for implementing and overseeing the renewal process.
2. To facilitate implementation, the DMV shall take the following steps:
 - (a) Gradual Rollout: The renewal system will be introduced incrementally by age groups, starting with drivers aged seventy (70) and above. Each subsequent year, the age threshold will be lowered by five years until all age groups are included.
 - (b) Online Resources: The DMV shall provide online resources, including practice tests and informational materials, to assist individuals in preparing for the renewal process.
 - (c) Accessibility Considerations: Provisions shall be made for individuals with disabilities to ensure they can participate in the renewal process
 - (d) Road Test Facilities: The DMV shall establish or designate appropriate facilities for conducting practical road tests.
 - (e) Licensed Instructors: Certified driving instructors shall be available to conduct road tests and provide guidance to applicants.

Section 5. INCLUSIVITY the DMV shall take the following steps:

1. Accessible Testing Locations: The DMV shall establish or designate accessible testing locations for individuals without access to a personal vehicle.
2. Alternative Evaluation Methods: For individuals without access to a vehicle, the DMV shall develop alternative evaluation methods to assess practical driving skills. This may include simulator-based assessments or the use of community-provided vehicles for testing.
3. Fee Waivers or Subsidies: The DMV shall implement a fee waiver or subsidy program for individuals facing financial constraints, ensuring that the renewal process remains accessible.
4. Public Transportation Accessibility: The DMV shall coordinate with public transportation authorities to ensure that testing locations are easily accessible via public transit.

Section 6. EXEMPTIONS

1. The Department may grant exemptions to individuals who demonstrate medical or mobility challenges that impede their ability to participate in the renewal process.
2. Individuals who have completed an advanced defensive driving course within the preceding two (2) years.
3. Holders of a valid commercial driver's license (CDL) who are subject to separate, periodic assessments under existing regulations.

Section 7. REPORTING AND EVALUATION

1. The Department shall submit an annual report to the Oklahoma Legislature detailing the implementation and effectiveness of the renewal process, including data on participation rates, exemptions granted, financial assistance provided, and any suggested improvements to the renewal process.
2. The Department shall conduct periodic evaluations to assess the impact of the renewal requirements on road safety and driver competency.

Section 8. FUNDING

1. Funding for the implementation of this Act shall be allocated from the existing budget of the DMV, supplemented by fees collected during the renewal process.

Section 9. PENALTIES

1. Any driver found operating a vehicle with an expired or invalid license shall be subject to a fine of no less than fifty dollars (\$50) and no more than three hundred dollars (\$300) for the first offense.
2. For subsequent offenses within a twelve (12) month period, fines may increase up to a maximum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) per offense
3. The Department may suspend the driving privileges of any individual found in violation of this act for a period of up to thirty (30) days for a first offense. Subsequent offenses may result in a suspension of up to ninety (90) days.
4. In cases of willful and repeated non-compliance with renewal requirements, the Department may revoke the driver's license of the offending individual, requiring them to reapply for a new license upon meeting all necessary criteria.

5. It shall be considered a misdemeanor for any driver to operate a vehicle with a revoked license under this act, punishable by a fine of no less than five hundred dollars (\$500) and no more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), along with the possibility of up to six (6) months imprisonment.
6. The Department may establish an appeals process for individuals facing penalties under this section, allowing for consideration of extenuating circumstances and potential re-evaluation of penalties imposed.
7. In cases where individuals face financial hardship, the Department may offer alternative penalties, such as community service or participation in driver education programs, as an alternative to monetary fines.
8. Any driver convicted of operating a vehicle with a revoked license under this act shall be subject to a mandatory attendance in a comprehensive driver education and safety course, at their own expense, prior to license reinstatement.
9. The Department may establish a probationary period for individuals whose licenses have been reinstated after revocation, during which they will be subject to increased scrutiny and mandatory participation in driver education programs.
10. All fines collected under this section shall be allocated to the implementation and maintenance of the renewal process, as well as funding road safety initiatives.
11. Any penalties imposed under this section shall be in addition to any other penalties or fines applicable under existing traffic laws and regulations.

Section 10. This act shall become one year (1) after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-507

By: Cavanaugh (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Foster Care Transition and Support; providing short title; establishing definitions; outlining transitional living services; extending support services; ensuring education and employment support; establishing oversight and reporting mechanisms; allocating funding; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the "Foster Care Transition and Support Act of 2023."

Section 2. Definitions: The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. "Transitional Living Services" Services provided to young adults aging out of the foster care system, encompassing housing assistance, education, vocational training, healthcare access, life skills, mentorship, and legal advocacy.
2. "Extended Support Services" Additional support services offered to eligible young adults beyond the age of twenty-one (21), including but not limited to education assistance, housing subsidies, and counseling services.
3. "Education and Employment Support" Initiatives aimed at providing stability and opportunities for education, vocational training, job placement, and career development.
4. "Oversight and Reporting" Mechanisms to monitor and report on the progress, outcomes, and challenges faced by young adults transitioning out of foster care.
5. "Funding" Resources allocated to implement the provisions outlined in this act.

Section 3. Transitional Living Services:

1. Eligibility: All young adults who have aged out of the foster care system, between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21), shall be eligible for transitional living services.
2. Services Offered:
 - a. Housing Assistance: Provide affordable and safe housing options, including access to supportive housing programs, to ensure stable living arrangements.
 - b. Education and Vocational Training: Offer resources for continuing education, vocational training, and job placement services to support skill development and employment opportunities.
 - c. Healthcare Access: Ensure access to affordable healthcare, including mental health services and coverage for preventive care.
 - d. Life Skills and Financial Literacy: Implement programs to teach essential life skills, including budgeting, cooking, and basic household management, to promote self-sufficiency.
 - e. Mentorship and Guidance: Establish mentorship programs connecting youth with experienced individuals who can provide guidance, emotional support, and resources.
 - f. Legal Advocacy: Provide access to legal resources and advocacy services to address any legal challenges or concerns.

Section 4. Extended Support Services:

1. Upon meeting specific criteria, young adults may be eligible for extended support services beyond the age of twenty-one (21), including but not limited to education assistance, housing subsidies, and counseling services.

Section 5. Education and Employment Support:

1. Educational Stability: Ensure that youth in foster care receive support in pursuing their educational goals, including assistance with enrollment, tutoring, and access to educational resources.
2. Job Training and Placement: Establish programs to facilitate job training, apprenticeships, and internships, as well as assistance with job placement and career development.

Section 6. Oversight and Reporting:

1. Establish an independent oversight committee composed of experts, advocates, and former foster youth to monitor the implementation and effectiveness of the support system.
2. Require annual reporting on the progress, outcomes, and challenges faced by young adults transitioning out of foster care.

Section 7. Funding:

1. Allocate adequate funding to implement and sustain the provisions outlined in this bill, prioritizing evidence-based practices and proven interventions.

Section 8. This act shall become effective one hundred eighty (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-508

By: Dimova (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Veteran Placement In Schools; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Benefiting Veterans” Act of 2023

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Veteran - a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. The Oklahoma Department of Veteran Affairs shall offer new federal benefits under employment to expand programs into offering new positions as elementary, high school, and university security guards.
2. New job postings in the education system as bodyguards only for retired veterans and restricted to the public.
3. The Oklahoma Military Department will additionally add to the State’s employment Coordination Program services of gun training.
4. The Uniformed Service Employment and Reemployment Rights Act will continue to protect civilian job rights and benefits for Veterans once extended to state positions.
5. The Oklahoma Private Sector Voluntary Veterans Hiring shall add private non-state schools, ranging from faith-based institutions and schools run by NGOs to for-profit schools.
6. The Department of Veterans Affairs shall assist any private employer in determining if an applicant is a veteran to the extent permitted by law.

Section 4. ELIGIBILITY

1. The Veterans must have proof of discharge by providing a Certificate of Release from Active Duty.
2. Be at least twenty-one (21) years old to be eligible by the state for the school security position.
3. An employer may require that a veteran submit a DD 214 to a private employer with a veterans' preference employment policy to be eligible for the preference.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-509

By: Dimova (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to violent video games legislation; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Violent Restrictions” Act of 2023

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Video Games” -any games played electronically, manipulating images produced by a computer program on a television screen or other display screen
- B. “Violent” -using or involving physical force intended to hurt, damage, or kill someone or something
- C. “Violent Video Games” -any video game that includes depictions of or simulations of human-on-human violence in which the player kills or otherwise causes serious physical harm to another human
 - 1. Shows excessive amounts of gore or blood;
 - 2. Sexual violence;
 - 3. Committing felonies; or
 - 4. Adult exploitation

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- 1. No production consumer in the State of Oklahoma will be permitted to sell violent video games to minors under the age of eighteen (18). Any employee to do so is sent to two (2) years in prison, due to allowing inappropriate exposure to children.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any employee selling violent video games to minors will be sentenced to two (2) years in prison.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-510

By: Dimova (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the removal of brominated vegetable oil in Oklahoma; providing short title, providing for definitions; providing for codifications; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Healthy Option” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. Bromine -the chemical element of atomic number thirty-five (35), a dark red fuming toxic liquid with a choking, irritating smell.
 - B. Vegetable Oil -an oil derived from plants, e.g., canola oil, olive oil, sunflower oil
 - C. BVO -a vegetable oil that has bromine added to it.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- A. Oklahoma to ban food ingredient due to links to cancer
 - B. The BVO chemicals have harmful health effects when consumed excessively
 - C. No companies should manufacture, sell, deliver, carry, or offer BVO
- Section 4. PENALTIES
- A. Those who violate these guidelines may be subject to a civil penalty of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the first offense and up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for each subsequent
- Section 5. This act shall be effective three hundred (300) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-511
(ORU)

By: Gwinn

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the banning of olestra in food products in the state of Oklahoma; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Olestra Ban” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Olestra (or “olean”) - a synthetic fat substitute derived from sucrose polyester (chemically designed to mimic the properties of natural fats but with a unique characteristic that prevents it from being absorbed by the human digestive system).
- B. Food Products - any product intended for human consumption, including but not limited to solid or liquid substances, snacks, beverages, meals, or ingredients commonly used in the preparation of meals (regardless of their form or packaging)
- C. Food Distributors - any individuals, businesses, or organizations engaged in the procurement, sale, transportation, or distribution of food products within the state of Oklahoma; this includes but is not limited to wholesalers, retailers, manufacturers, importers, and food service providers.
- D. Ban - to prohibit and/or restrict the manufacture, sale, distribution, possession, or use of olestra in any food product within the state of Oklahoma.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. Olestra shall be banned in the state of Oklahoma.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any food distributors who use, sell, or handle olestra shall be fined no more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per violation.

Section 5. This act shall become effective after two-hundred-seventy (270) days following its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-512

By: Gwinn (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to driving under the influence; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Responsible Service of Alcohol” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Drinking Establishment - any licensed business or venue that primarily serves alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption; including but not limited to bars, taverns, nightclubs, pubs, restaurants, and any other similar establishments where the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages are a primary function of the business.
- B. Patron - any individual who enters a drinking establishment for the purpose of consuming alcoholic beverages on the premises.
- C. Bar staff: an individual who is employed by a drinking establishment and is responsible for the preparation, service, and/or sale of alcoholic beverages to patrons.
- D. Confiscation of car keys - the act of temporarily taking possession of an individual’s car keys, with or without their consent, when there is a reasonable cause to believe that the individual is under the influence of alcohol or drugs to the extent that operating a motor vehicle would pose a danger to themselves or others.
- E. Alcohol Consumption - act of ingesting or partaking in alcoholic beverages, including but not limited to beer, wine, and spirits.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. Newly hired bar staff shall be required to watch an in-person or online DUI Prevention Training session in order to be legally allowed to work in a drinking establishment handling alcohol. Existing bar staff shall have two (2) years to watch the training session in order to maintain their current positions as bar staff. The DUI Prevention Training session will address the signs of a patron who is unfit to drive, including but not limited to slurred speech, bloodshot or glassy eyes, unsteady movements, delayed reactions, inability to focus, and poor coordination.
- B. Any patron of any drinking establishment implies their consent to have their car keys confiscated by bar staff (at the discretion of bar staff) should the patron seem unfit to drive.
- C. In the event that bar staff finds a patron unsuitable to drive (at their discretion), bar staff shall hold the right to confiscate that patron's car keys, with or without consent. If a patron does not relinquish his car keys, the bar staff will hold the right to call security and/or the police for the patron's detainment and/or prevention of driving.
- D. Drinking establishments shall be required to keep record of any incidents in which bar staff attempts to confiscate keys from a patron.
- E. Should a DUI incident happen after a patron has driven away from a certain drinking establishment, the drinking establishment and/or their bar staff may not be held liable for any harm that may occur to the patron or others.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any patron who resists the confiscation of keys by bar staff and/or displays any amount of aggression towards bar staff due to their impending confiscation of keys shall be fined no more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and/or detained for no more than thirty (30) days (unless their detainment is due to another crime, such as assault).
- B. If a bar staff has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt to have confiscated a patron's keys when he (bar staff) never suspected the patron of being unfit to drive, bar staff shall be fined no more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
- C. Any individual (patron or not) who attempts to prevent bar staff from performing the duty of confiscating car keys from another patron shall be fined no more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and/or detained for no more than thirty (30) days (unless their detainment is due to another crime, such as assault).

Section 5. This act shall become effective after ninety (90) days following its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-513

By: Gwinn (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the special rights and privileges to be granted to certain orphans; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Robin” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Orphan: A child whose parents are dead; specifically, a child whose age falls between seven (7) and eighteen (18) years old.
- B. Vigilantism: the act of preventing, investigating, and punishing perceived offenses and crimes without explicit legal authority.
- C. Murder: the unlawful killing of one human being by another.
- D. Billionaire: a person possessing assets worth at least a billion dollars.
- E. Butler: the chief manservant of a house.
- F. Re-educate: to educate or train someone in order to change their beliefs or behavior; specifically, to instill the mindset of “justice, not vengeance.”
- G. Nanda Parbat: a hidden city nestled high in the mountains of Hindu Kush.
- H. League of Assassins: a collective of assassins who work for Ra's al Ghul, an enemy of the superhero Batman and the Green Arrow.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. Orphans between the ages of seven (7) and eighteen (18) shall be exempt from all legalities that currently inhibit them from committing the following acts: vigilantism, loitering, illegal trespass (“breaking and entering”), evidence tampering, aggravated assault, and driving without a license.

- B. In the event that an orphan commits murder, all rights and privileges previously stated in section 3A shall be immediately revoked, and the orphan shall be placed in the custody of the nearest billionaire to be re-educated.
- C. If there is no available billionaire to assume custody of an orphan who has committed murder, then custody shall be granted to the nearest butler.
- D. Orphans who get adopted (therefore rendering them orphans no more) may petition to keep their rights and privileges outlined in section 3A; this shall be known as the "Once an Orphan, Always an Orphan Clause."

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any individual who attempts to prohibit an orphan(s) from exercising their rights outlined in section 3A will be fined no more than five hundred dollars (\$500).
- B. Any orphans who have previously committed murder (in conjunction with sections 3B and 3C) who resist re-education for more than two (2) years will be deported to Nanda Parbat indefinitely to be raised by the League of Assassins.

Section 5. This act shall become effective after ninety (90) days following its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-514

By: Igban (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Homelessness in Oklahoma; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Shelter” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Homelessness” is a term used to describe the lack of a stable, fixed place of residence.
- B. “Homeless” is a term used to describe an individual without a stable, functional or fixed home or residence.
- C. Transitional Housing: This is temporary housing for the homeless population including people who have very little money to afford housing.
- D. County: It is a political and administrative division of a state.

Section 3. NEW LAW a new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. Transitional housing should be created in the different cities in Oklahoma. At least four in all counties to accommodate the large population.
- B. ALL homeless people should check into the closest transitional home they find. They should be provided with Identification cards for check-in and identification.
- C. Job Opportunities requiring little to no qualification should be provided for homeless people living in these transitional houses. These will help them earn money to move into their own houses eventually.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any county that refuses to offer this will be subjected to punishment from the state government and be forced to carry out this project.
- B. Six thousand dollars (\$6000) in fines will be paid if there is further delay after punishment.

Section 5. This act shall become effective on July 1st, 2025 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-515

By: Igban (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Gun Control; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Gun Over” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Guns - a weapon that fires bullets or shells used to disarm or cause bodily injury or injuries.
- B. Gun Control - These are policies that control citizens' possession, manufacturing, and sale of armed weapons.
- C. Psychiatrist - A psychiatrist is a medical doctor specializing in mental health, and substance abuse disorders. A psychiatrist assesses and gives mental health diagnosis.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. Anyone wishing to purchase a gun must be age twenty-one (21) or older.
- B. Anyone wishing to purchase a gun must undergo a background check.
- C. Anyone wishing to purchase a gun must undergo a psychiatric evaluation unless they have already have had one.
 - 1. Anyone who doesn't pass the evaluation will be eligible for re-evaluation after two (2) years have passed.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Anyone who fails to abide by the expectations above will pay a fine of three-thousand dollars (\$3,000) and spend three months in jail.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one-hundred eighty (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-516

By: Igban (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Wages; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Increase” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

A. Wages: Payment given on a daily or weekly basis by an employer.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

A. The minimum wage shall be increased from seven dollars and twenty-five cents (\$7.25) to ten dollars (\$10).

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-517

By: Jones (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to hunting; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Fair Game” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Minor” a human individual below the age of eighteen (18).
2. “Therian” is someone who identifies as a non-human animal, either spiritually, psychologically, or both.
3. “Hunting Permit” a license obtained in order to legally hunt during a given season.
4. “Free Hunting Days” the first full weekend of September.
5. “Wildlife” wild animals collectively; the native fauna (and sometimes flora) of a region.
6. “Hunting Season” a period of time extending from October 1 until January 15.
7. “Big Game” commonly considered as hoofed-grazing or browsing animals, such as deer and elk.
8. “Human” a being who identifies as a human being.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Any person of legal age who wishes to legally identify and be registered as an animal may apply to the government for permission to surgically implant an identification tag into themselves, thusly switching their legal designation from “human” to “therian”.
2. For the purpose of classification, regardless of what animal a therian declares themselves to be, they are to be recorded as “big game”.

3. In order to undergo this surgery, a given individual will need to either be over the age of eighteen (18), or have the written consent of one (1) or more parents or guardians.
4. "Therians" shall henceforth be classified as "big game" under Oklahoman law rather than "human".
5. "Therians" shall be subject to Oklahoma game laws within "hunting season".
6. Only individuals who have undergone the procedure and been licensed as "Therians" are to fall under this law.
7. A formal game license is required for participation, with the exception of "Free Hunting Days".

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Hunting a therian without a license during the hunting season is punishable by a fine of no less than one hundred (100) dollars, no more than five hundred (500) dollars, imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days, or both.
2. Hunting out of season is punishable by a fine to be determined by the severity of the offense, as well as a permanent revocation of a hunter's license or ability to participate in the future.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-518

Jones (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the use of medical patents; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Medical Patents Are Stupid” Act of 2023

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “At Cost” The amount of money required to produce a marketable good
- B. “Insulin” A hormone created by your pancreas that allows your body to use glucose for energy

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. Insulin is to be sold at cost.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. If a company is found to have sold Insulin at higher than cost, they are to be fined an amount equal to their gross earnings from the date sales began on the drug until present.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2021)

House Bill No. ORU-519

By: McDaniel (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to toy gun sales and minors; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Those Aren’t Toys” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Toy Gun: Including, but not limited to, water guns, nerf guns, airsoft guns, paintball guns, and BB guns.
- B. Minor: Any person under the age of eighteen (18).
- C. Adult: Any person eighteen (18) or older.
- D. Store: Any establishment, either private or corporately owned, that sells merchandise or products of any kind.
- E. Guardian: A parent, relative, or other individual who fulfills the guardianship of a minor as required by law.
- F. Valid ID: Any form of identification which is considered valid for the purpose of confirming the identity of an individual, including, but not limited to, passport or drivers license.
- G. Fake ID: Any form of false identification used to misrepresent who the possessor is for any purpose.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. All stores are no longer allowed to sell toy guns to minors.
 - 1. Guardians are not prohibited from gifting toy guns to minors under their care in the confines of their property. Additionally, with a guardian’s expressed permission, minors may receive toy guns as gifts from people other than their guardian, but still only within the bounds of their property.

- B. Persons wishing to purchase a toy gun will be required to produce a valid ID to prove their age.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any store that is found to be selling toy guns to minors will be fined one hundred thousand (100,000) dollars.
- B. Any adult found giving toy guns to minors, who is not their guardian, or without the guardian's permission, will be fined twenty-five thousand (25,000) dollars and face jail time up to eighteen (18) months after a court hearing.
- C. Any Minor found to have purchased or attempted to purchase a toy gun using a fake ID shall incur all penalties regarding the possession and usage of a fake ID.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one hundred eighty (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2021)

House Bill No. ORU-520

By: McDaniel (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Veteran’s benefits and new requirements for VA centers; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Consideration” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Health Center” Outpatient clinics, hospitals, emergency rooms, or any other facility that provides health services to the general populace.
- B. “VA” The Veterans Association
- C. “Benefits” Any monetary, insurance, health or otherwise, stipend-based aid provided by the VA.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. All health centers, if they do not already have one in their employ, will hire or train personnel who are equipped to give counsel on existing or up and coming VA benefits.
- B. All health centers will maintain a supply of paper applications for VA Benefits in addition to online resources.
 - 1. The personnel who are trained to give counsel will also be trained to aid veterans in filling out applications for aid.
 - 2. The personnel will digitize these applications to maintain the online records.
- C. All health centers will be audited by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure compliance. This audit will occur yearly, in the month of July.

- D. These provisions will remain in place for twenty (20) years, after which they will be reviewed to determine if they remain necessary. The review will be conducted by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any health center that is not in compliance will be first given a written warning. Health Centers will have thirty (30) days from the date of receipt to come into compliance.
 - 1. After the thirty (30) days, if the health center remains out of compliance, the health center will accrue a two-hundred dollars (\$200) fine per day they remain out of compliance, to a maximum of ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000).
 - a. Health centers may request an exception in the case where personnel are in the midst of being hired or trained but are not ready to serve. This request will be reviewed by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs to determine whether the health center need pay the fine.

Section 5. This act shall become effective in one hundred eighty (180) days following its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-521

By: McLean (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the mental health; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Small Canine Hall Mascot” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Puppies” n. a dog younger than twelve (12) months.
- B. “Mental health crisis” shall be defined as that which occurs when mental health has become so bad in such a large area that it must be considered a crisis and needs serious attention.
- C. “Student” shall be defined as any person attending or seeking to enroll in an educational agency.
- D. “Residence hall” shall be defined as a building intended or used principally for long-term sleeping accommodations only by students at a college, university, or other public, quasi-public, or private institution.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. Colleges and universities shall have a partnership with local pounds to ensure that every residential hall or floor has a different puppy to care for every month.
- B. At the end of the term, students will have the option of taking the animal from the pound and keeping it as their own, but only through democratic process with their hall.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any college that refuses to comply with this new law will be fined no more than thirty-thousand (30,000) dollars.
- B. Any person who attempts to harm or harass the puppies owned by the college shall be fined no more than ten-thousand (10,000) dollars, or incarcerated for no more than eighteen (18) months at the judges discretion.

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the start of the next school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-522

By: McLean (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public health; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Anti-Cheese-Whiz” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

A. “Cheese-Whiz” – n. a brand of processed cheese sauce or spread produced by Kraft Foods.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

A. Sale, distribution, and consumption of “Cheese-Whiz” shall hereby be prohibited in the state of Oklahoma.

B. Applicable to all individuals and establishments that serve, sell, or manufacture food.

Section 4. PENALTIES

A. On the first violation, any individual or organization caught with the possession, sales, or consumption of the product “Cheese-Whiz” shall be fined thirty-thousand (30,000) dollars.

B. Each subsequent violation after the first will double the previous fine.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-523

By: Rodriguez (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to school district elections; amending 26 O.S. § 13A-103; amending 26 O.S. § 13A-105; which relate to election dates and declaration of candidacy; modifying permissible dates for certain elections; modifying dates for filing for certain office; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 13A-103 is amended to read as follows:

- A. 1. The general election of members of the board of education of every school district and technology center school district shall be conducted on the first second Tuesday of April November of each odd-numbered year, and on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November in each even-numbered year.
 2. The primary election of members of the board of education of every school district and technology center school district, if necessary, shall be conducted on the second Tuesday in February September of each odd-numbered year, except in any year when a Presidential Preferential Primary is held in February, then the election shall be held on the same day as the Presidential Primary and on the fourth Tuesday of August in each even-numbered year.
 3. If only two candidates qualify to have their names appear on the ballot, the names of both candidates shall appear on the ballot at the Board of Education general election.
 4. If more than two candidates qualify to have their names appear on the ballot, the names of all such candidates shall appear on the ballot at the Board of Education primary election. A candidate receiving more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes cast in the Board of Education primary election shall be elected to the office. If no candidate receives more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes cast in the board of education primary election, then the two candidates with the highest number of votes shall appear on the ballot at the board of education general election.
- B. Elections on the question of making a levy or levies for schools under Section 9, Section 9B, or Section 10 of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution shall

be held on the second Tuesday in February of each year, except in any year when a Presidential Preferential Primary is held in February, then the election shall be held on the same day as the Presidential Preferential Primary.

- C. The board of education of every school district or technology center school district may call a special election for the purpose of voting on any matter or question authorized by law.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2021, Section 13A-105, is amended to read as follows:

Candidates for members of the board of education of every school district or technology center school district shall file declarations of candidacy in the same place and with the same officials as candidates for county office. The declaration of candidacy to be signed by the candidate shall have an attachment to signed by the candidate listing the requirements of a candidate for election or reelection to a school board as set forth in Sections 13A-106 and 5-105a of this title and Sections 5- 110, 5-110.1, and 5-113 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and the candidate shall swear or affirm that he or she is eligible to run for the office or serve in the office if elected. Candidates shall file no earlier than 8:00 a.m. on the first Monday or second Wednesday in December April through no later than 5:00 p.m. on the following Wednesday or next succeeding Friday. For school districts and technology center school districts located in more than one county, filing may be either in the county where the supervision of the district is located or in the county where the candidate resides.

Section 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

Section 4. This act shall become ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-524

By: Rodriguez (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Gun Legislation, providing a short title, providing for definitions, providing for codification, providing for penalties, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Just Makes Sense” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Appropriate Age” - Eighteen (18) years old.
 2. “Sellers” - Public and private individuals or companies selling firearms.
 3. “firearms” (A) any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive; (B) the frame or receiver of any such weapon; (C) any firearm muffler or firearm silencer, or (D) any destructive device. Such a term does not include an antique firearm.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. Sellers must ensure that the purchasing entity is of the appropriate age.
 2. Sellers must apply for a “Firearm Seller’s license” to gain the ability to buy and sell their firearms.
 - a. To apply for the “Firearms Seller’s license,” you must catalog and enter every firearm available for sale into a database so The Bureau of Criminal Investigation may monitor the transaction.
 3. The purchasing of anything classified as a firearm will require a twenty-one (21) day waiting period before acquisition of the firearm.
- Section 4. PENALTIES
1. Any seller that fails to comply with these regulations will be subject to a loss of Firearm Seller’s License along with a suspension of the ability to reapply

for five (5) years and a fine of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be paid within three (3) days.

2. The persons in possession of the illegal firearm will be subject to one (1) year in prison along with, upon release, an ineligibility to purchase a firearm for ten (10) years.

Section 5. This act shall become ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-525

By: Rodriguez (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to snapping and etiquette in the house chambers, providing a short title; providing for definitions, providing for codification, providing for exceptions, providing for penalties, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “House Always Wins” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

A. “Snapping” shall refer to the act of creating noise by snapping one's fingers.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes to read as follows:

1. Snapping Prohibition: Snapping of fingers is prohibited within the House of Representatives chambers during legislative sessions.
2. Singing of Oklahoma State Song: All individuals present in the House chambers during legislative sessions shall participate in the singing of the Oklahoma state song, as designated by the Speaker of the House, at the beginning of each session.

Section 4. EXCEPTIONS

1. The Speaker of the House may grant exceptions to the provisions of Section 3 in cases of extenuating circumstances.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Any individual found in violation of the provisions of Section 3(a) shall be subject to a warning by the House Sergeant-at-Arms for the first offense, followed by expulsion from the House chambers for subsequent offenses.

Section 6. This act shall become effective at the gaveling in of the 1st session of the 55th Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-526

By: Vazquez (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to creating a more organized society; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Pre Choice” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Vasectomy” means minor surgery to block sperm from reaching the semen that is ejaculated from the penis.
2. “Biological Males” meaning a person born with male reproductive organs.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Biological males at the age of fourteen (14) are required to receive a vasectomy until the age of eighteen (18).

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Failure to comply will result in a three (3) day incarceration where the individual will have to record a public apology video to be released via social media on the individual’s account.

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1, 2024 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-527

By: Vazquez (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to creating a more sanitary society; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Gum Reform” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Gum” meaning any form of chewing gum or bubblegum.
2. “Public Place” meaning any freely available public property such as sidewalks, streets, parks, and public buildings.
3. “Irresponsibly Dispose” meaning any disposal of gum in a public place outside of a designated waste bin.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to irresponsibly dispose gum in a public place.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person over the age of eighteen (18) who is convicted of violating this shall be given a misdemeanor and shall be punished with a fine of not over fifty dollars (\$50).

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1, 2024 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-528

By: Vazquez (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to providing tax breaks for teachers; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Teachers Tax Break” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Teacher” meaning any person employed by a public school district in Oklahoma and who is licensed to teach in Oklahoma.
2. “Taxable Income” meaning the amount of income tax subject to Oklahoma state income tax.
3. “Qualified Expenses” meaning expenses occurred for the purpose of teaching supplies and materials.
4. The credit allowed under this section shall not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) per taxable income year.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Teachers in the state of Oklahoma are to be allowed a credit against the teacher’s Oklahoma state income tax for an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the teacher’s qualified expenses.

Section 5. This act shall become effective June 1, 2024 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-529

By: Vidal (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public health and hygiene; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Happy and Healthy” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. "Public Showers and Bathrooms" - Facilities designed to provide showering and bathroom services to the general public, including but not limited to individuals experiencing homelessness, tourists, travelers, and low-income residents.
 - B. "Local Authority" - Any city, town, county, or regional government within the state of Oklahoma.
 - C. "Self-Cleaning Units" - A high pressure jet supplying one-hundred twenty (120) Fahrenheit degree water and sanitization solvent from the ceiling to sanitize and decontaminate for a period of five (5) minutes.
 - D. “Sanitization” – The appropriate hygienic process that results in maintaining and or uplifting personal health and appearance. These include but are not limited to, showers, sinks, toilets, hygienic product dispensaries and syringe safety deposit boxes.
 - E. “Low-Income Areas” - Geographical regions, neighborhoods, or communities where the residents typically have limited financial resources and lower income levels compared to the broader population.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- A. The Oklahoma State Department of Health is responsible for supervising sanitary establishments and is responsible for maintaining the facilities.

- B. The Oklahoma State Department of Health is responsible for ensuring that the public showers are in appropriate locations of great need and are easily accessible.
- C. The Oklahoma State Department of Health is responsible for the reasonable safety of the occupants during use that align with their codes and definitions.
- D. The Oklahoma State Department of Health is responsible for the management of necessary funds for the construction and maintenance of the facilities.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. The safety and upkeep of these public sanitization facilities will be monitored. Only one person will be allowed inside at a time, and if two people enter, they will face fines of up to one thousand (1,000) dollars per offense. Any damage to a facility will result in a five hundred (500) dollar fine, up to a maximum of five thousand (5,000) dollars.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one hundred eighty (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-530

By: Vidal (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to rehabilitation; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Helping Hand” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

- A. “Rehabilitation” - The process of recovering from substance abuse.
- B. “Humane Practices” - Practices that do not jeopardize the physical, mental or emotional well-being of a person.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. The Oklahoma State Department of Health is responsible for organization and overseeing the daily operations of the facilities needed for the rehabilitation and mental health care of the homeless and under privileged communities.
- B. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will ensure high standards of quality with regard to mental health and rehabilitation of patients as well as the certification and licensure of staff and doctors.
- C. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will ensure humane practices are being upheld as the paramount objective and the health and wellbeing of patients its biggest goal.
- D. All patients will have appropriate accommodations, treatment, and medication while undergoing treatment.
- E. Three months after discharge from the program patients will be checked in on to verify and support patients where needed.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any violation of human rights and ill treatment of patients will result in a not exceeding one-hundred-thousand (100,000) dollars or ten (10) years in prison.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one hundred twenty (120) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. ORU-531

By: Vidal (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to homeless individuals; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “The Happy Initiative” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

- A. “Food Hubs” - Locations that provide nutritious food for free to the general public.
- B. “Public Entity” - Any third (3rd) party individual or organization with no governmental affiliations or ties.
- C. “Governmental Affiliations” - Any tie or relationship with a member or staff in the government that may bring into question the ethics involved.
- D. “Failing Grade” - Any score deemed dissatisfactory by the State Department of Health.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. The State Department of Public Works will be responsible for the daily operations of Food Hubs.
 - 1. They will need to be responsible for properly allocating funds to locations based on need.
- B. The food provided will meet the definition of a balanced diet indicated by the Oklahoma State Department of Health.
- C. The food will be fresh and stored properly to maintain health standards. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will conduct regular audits to ensure health standards are met.
- D. Public organizations can participate in providing food for tax credits but will undergo more frequent audits to ensure quality and safety standards are met.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Public entities that participate in the Happy Initiative but fail on three (3) separate occasions to meet the minimum health and safety standards will be subject to more frequent audits and a fifty (50) percent reduction in tax credits for one and a half (1.5) years after receiving a failing grade.
- B. If public entities accrue more than six (6) consecutive failing grades they will be removed from the program and lose all subsequent tax credits.
- C. Anyone found violating the governmental affiliation will accrue an income driven fine of no more than one-hundred-thousand (100,000) dollars per infraction.
- D. Members of governmental organizations will be subject to appropriate organizational penalties for poor conduct or mismanagement of resources and may be subject to legal proceedings under appropriate law.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-501

By: Bishop (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to fentanyl awareness; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Fentanyl Awareness” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Fentanyl” - Illicitly manufactured fentanyl (IMF) which is available as a powder, dropped on blotter paper like small candies, in eye droppers or nasal sprays, or made into pills that look like real prescription opioids and is responsible for a majority of fentanyl-related overdoses and deaths.
2. “Schools” - A place of education funded by public taxation teaching grades six (6) through twelve (12).
3. “Educational Programming” - Research-based instruction related to fentanyl abuse prevention and drug poisoning awareness using resources from the Oklahoma State Department of Health including, but not limited to
 - a. Prevention of the abuse of and addiction to fentanyl
 - b. Awareness of local school and community resources and any processes involved in accessing those resources, and
 - c. Health education information about substance use and abuse, including youth substance use and abuse.
4. “School Personnel” - School principals, vice-principals, guidance counselors, or other administration positions; certified science teachers; or community members with positions and expertise related to health or safety, such as doctors, police officers, therapists, etc.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All schools must provide educational programming on fentanyl at least once per academic year by authorized school personnel.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. School districts that do not provide educational programming to students may receive a two (2) percent reduction in funding for the next fiscal year.

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-502

By: Bishop (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Project ECHO; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “ECHO” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Project Echo” - guided-practice model that reduces health disparities in under-served and remote areas of the state by providing primary and specialty healthcare through educational webinars and teleconferencing services with medical professionals.
2. “Evaluate” - Determine how often Project ECHO is utilized by county officials or physicians.
3. “Infrastructure” - Telehealth resources, including broadband access, computers with video conferencing capabilities, and basic medical supplies.
 - a. Basic medical supplies shall include but not be limited to all supplies needed to perform a routine physical or wellness check.
4. “Vape Products” - Noncombustible products that may or may not contain nicotine that employ a mechanical heating element, battery, electronic circuit, or other mechanism, regardless of shape or size, that can be used to produce a vapor in a solution or other form.
5. “Infrastructure” - Computer systems capable of teleconferencing services, as well as other necessary medical equipment.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The State of Oklahoma must evaluate current Project ECHO programs and county resources to ensure infrastructure is suitable.

2. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall implement a one percent (1%) tax on vape products.
 - a. The revenue produced from this tax shall be used to improve infrastructure in at least one (1) location per county or establish at least one Project ECHO location per county.

Section 4. This act shall become effective one (1) year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-503

By: Castro (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to college attendance policy; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “I’ll show up if I want to” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. College professors - Employers of a college or university that prepares course material and teaching classes to graduate and undergraduate students. Also any teaching assistant (TA) that works for or with the college professor.
2. Penalize - Reduce a student’s grade for missing class.
3. Absences - When a student is not physically present in the classroom or on any video conference meeting, examples may include, but are not limited to Zoom, and Skype.
4. Awake - Not asleep
5. Asleep - a condition of body and mind that typically recurs for several hours every night, in which the eyes are closed, the postural muscles relaxed, the activity of the brain altered, and consciousness of the surroundings practically suspended.
6. Assigned times for class - When registering for class, the scheduled time slots that are for lectures, labs, etc.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. College professors will not be allowed to penalize students' grades because of absences in their class.
2. Any student that attends all of the assigned times for class with zero (0) absences will receive an automatic C or passing grade for the class, regardless of their grades based on quizzes, exams, class assignments, etc.

3. The student must be awake in class and can only fall asleep less than ten percent (10%) of the total assigned times for class of the semester.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any college professor not following these guidelines will be subjected to investigation by the college and may face possible termination.

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the academic 2024-2025 school year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-504

By: Castro (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to stuffed animals; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Stuffed Animals for Children” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Stuff Animal: A toy animal made of fabric stuffed with a soft filling.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Every newborn baby born in Oklahoma will be given a stuffed animal of an American Bison upon first dismissal from an Oklahoma hospital.
2. The Oklahoma Department of Human Services will be required to cover the cost for the stuffed animals out of their discretionary budget.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a hospital fails to comply with this law they will be fined one hundred dollars (\$100) for each baby that doesn't get a stuffed animal of an American Bison.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one hundred twenty (120) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-505

By: Fields (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to felony sentencing; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. §51.1; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “This Isn’t Baseball” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. §51.1 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Except as otherwise provided in the Elderly and Incapacitated Victim's Protection Program and Section 3 of this act, every person who, having been convicted of any offense punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary, commits any crime after such conviction, within ten (10) years of the date following the completion of the execution of the sentence, and against whom the District Attorney seeks to enhance punishment pursuant to this section of law, is punishable therefor as follows:
1. If the offense for which the person is subsequently convicted is an offense enumerated in Section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes and the offense is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term exceeding five (5) years, such person is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term in the range of ten (10) years to life imprisonment.
 - ~~2. If the offense of which such person is subsequently convicted is such that upon a first conviction an offender would be punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for any term exceeding five (5) years, such person is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term in the range of twice the minimum term for a first time offender to life imprisonment. If the subsequent felony offense does not carry a minimum sentence as a first time offender, such person is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term in the range of two (2) years to life imprisonment.~~
 - ~~3. If such subsequent offense is such that upon a first conviction the offender would be punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for five (5)~~

~~years, or any less term, then the person convicted of such subsequent offense is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term not exceeding ten (10) years.~~

~~4. If such subsequent conviction is for petit larceny, the person convicted of such subsequent offense is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term not exceeding five (5) years.~~

~~B. Every person who, having been twice convicted of felony offenses, commits a subsequent felony offense which is an offense enumerated in Section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes, within ten (10) years of the date following the completion of the execution of the sentence, and against whom the District Attorney seeks to enhance punishment pursuant to this section of law, is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term in the range of twenty (20) years to life imprisonment. Felony offenses relied upon shall not have arisen out of the same transaction or occurrence or series of events closely related in time and location. Nothing in this section shall abrogate or affect the punishment by death in all crimes now or hereafter made punishable by death.~~

~~C. Every person who, having been twice convicted of felony offenses, commits a subsequent felony offense within ten (10) years of the date following the completion of the execution of the sentence, and against whom the District Attorney seeks to enhance punishment pursuant to this section of law, is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term in the range of three times the minimum term for a first time offender to life imprisonment. If the subsequent felony offense does not carry a minimum sentence as a first time offender, the person is punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a term in the range of four (4) years to life imprisonment. Felony offenses relied upon shall not have arisen out of the same transaction or occurrence or series of events closely related in time and location. Nothing in this section shall abrogate or affect the punishment by death in all crimes now or hereafter made punishable by death.~~

D. A previous conviction for possession of a controlled dangerous substance pursuant to Section 2-402 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or the equivalent law for possession of a controlled dangerous substance from any other jurisdiction, may not be used to enhance punishment pursuant to this section of law.

E. Every person who, having previously been convicted of a felony other than a felony enumerated in Section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes, is convicted of a second or subsequent felony for:

1. Uttering a subscription on instrument as that of one with the same name, as provided in Section 1592 of this title;

2. Receiving or concealing stolen property, as provided in Section 1713 of this title;
3. False personation of another, as provided in Section 1531 of this title;
4. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, as provided in Section 4-102 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
5. Grand larceny, as provided in Section 1705 of this title;
6. False declaration of ownership to a pawnbroker, as provided in Section 1512 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
7. Forgery in the second degree, as provided in Section 1577 of this title;
8. Receiving, possessing or concealing a stolen vehicle, as provided in Section 4-103 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or
9. Larceny of merchandise from a retailer, as provided in Section 1731 of this title, is punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a term of not more than twice the maximum sentence that could have been imposed for a first conviction of the current offense.

Section 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

- A. It being immediately necessary to protect the freedoms of those on trial and soon to be on trial, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-506

By: Flickinger (OSU)
Gray (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to virginity testing; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Protect Young Women” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Vaginal Virginity Testing - the practice and process of confirming or denying whether a woman and/or girl is a virgin; i.e., to determine that she has never engaged in, or been subjected to, sexual intercourse.
2. Sexual intercourse - the actual penetration of the vagina/anus by the penis.
3. Minor - any unmarried person under the age of eighteen (18) years.
4. “Harmful to minors” means:
 - i. That quality of any description, exhibition, presentation or representation, in whatever form, of nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sadomasochistic abuse when the material or performance, taken as a whole, has the following characteristics.
 - ii. Any description, exhibition, presentation or representation, in whatever form, of inappropriate violence.
5. Nudity -
 - i. showing of the human male or female genitals, pubic area, or buttocks with less than a full opaque covering,
 - ii. showing of the female breast with less than a full opaque covering of any portion of the female breast below the top of the nipple, or
 - iii. depiction of covered male genitals in a discernibly turgid state.
6. Sexual conduct - acts of masturbation, homosexuality, sexual intercourse, or physical contact with a person's clothed or unclothed genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or, if such person be a female, breast.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Prohibition of Vaginal Virginitv Examinations
 - a. No person, doctor, or other form of medical health professional shall perform vaginal virginitv examinations on a minor female requiring her to be put in the nude for the purpose of determining if she has participated in sexual intercourse.
 - b. Even if parents/guardians give consent for testing of any sexual conduct/intercourse, no person shall proceed with the vaginal virginitv examination.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. For any persons and/or medical professional who performs this procedure that is harmful to minors shall receive up to \$3,000 (three thousand) and a prison sentence for 5 (five) years.

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1, 2024.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-507

By: Francione (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to energy drinks; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification, providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Energy Drink Control” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following term are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act:

1. Energy Drink - Any drink or powder that can be mixed to make a drink containing over one hundred (100) mg of caffeine.
2. Warning - A clear label that is at least half as tall and as wide as the radius of the container warning those under eighteen (18) that consumption can be harmful.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. All energy drinks produced for sale within the state of Oklahoma need to have a clear and concise warning.
 - a. This warning should make known that those under eighteen (18) should not consume more than one hundred (100) mg of caffeine.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any company that produces an energy drink without a warning is subject to a fine of double the cost of the energy drink.

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1st of 2025.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-508

By: Gilmore (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to subsidy assistance; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for eligibility; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Subsidy Assistance for Low-Income Families (SAPLIF) Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. "Low-Income Family" shall be defined as a household whose income exceeds the maximum threshold for eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) but is still within a defined income range determined by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.
2. "Oklahoma Health Care Authority" refers to the Oklahoma agency responsible for administering SNAP benefits.
3. “Temporary Surcharge” A temporary surcharge is an additional tax rate that is applied to specific income levels for a limited time. This surcharge is designed to generate extra revenue to address specific needs or funding gaps without permanently altering the existing tax structure.
4. “High-Income Individuals or Corporations” The surcharge targets individuals or corporations with higher incomes. Typically, it affects those who earn income above a certain threshold, such as individuals earning over a specific annual income or corporations with substantial profits.
5. “Progressive Nature” The progressive income tax surcharge aligns with the principle of fairness in taxation. High-income individuals and corporations contribute a larger share of the funding, ensuring that those with greater financial means support those who are in need. This approach helps reduce income inequality and provides essential assistance to low-income families. Quite literally “trickle-down” economics.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Oklahoma shall establish a Subsidy Assistance Program for Low-Income Families (SAPLIF) to provide financial assistance to households that meet the criteria specified in Section 2(a).
2. The SAPLIF program shall be administered by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority and shall be subject to funding allocated by a Progressive Income Tax Surcharge for this purpose.

Section 4. ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible for assistance under the SAPLIF program, a household must meet the following criteria:
 - A. Have an income level that exceeds the income limit for SNAP benefits but falls within the income range determined by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.
 - B. Comply with any additional eligibility requirements or documentation as prescribed by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-509

By: Gilmore (OSU)
Kamesh (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to schools; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 70 O.S. § 8-9; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Make them Test” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Civics” - the study of the rights and duties of Oklahoma and United States citizens and of how those governments work.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 8-9 is amended to read as follows:

8. The subject matter standards for history, social studies and United States Government shall include study of important historical documents, including the United States Constitution, Declaration of Independence, Emancipation Proclamation, Federalist Papers and other documents with significant history and heritage of the United States, and the content of the United States naturalization test, with an emphasis on the specific content of the test and the ideas and concepts it references. Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, the United States naturalization test shall be in accordance with subsection F of this section. A diploma-seeking candidate must pass this exam regardless of if they are graduating from a non-public school including private school students and home-schooled students.
9. The subject matter standards for the United States Government shall include an emphasis on civics, the structure and relationship between the national, state, county and local governments and simulations of the democratic process.

Section 4. This act shall become effective starting the 2024-2025 academic year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-510

By: Gray (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to genocide history education; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Incorporating Worldwide Genocide History Education” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. Genocide: - *A mental element*: the "intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such"; and
 - a. *A physical element*, which includes the following five acts, enumerated exhaustively:
 - i. Killing members of the group
 - ii. Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group
 - iii. Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part
 - iv. Imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group
 - v. Forcibly transferring children of the group to another group
 2. Experts in genocide education: = one who has studied and graduated from an Oklahoma accredited university with valuable experience and knowledge on genocide. This can include any peer reviewed/accredited journal articles and book published.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. The State Department of Education, in consultation with the experts in genocide education, shall develop and make available to public schools' resources related to genocide education for grade-appropriate instruction of students in grades six (6) through twelve (12).

2. Beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, genocide education shall be taught to students in grades six (6) through twelve (12) in public schools in this state, as prescribed in the Oklahoma Academic Standards. Genocide education may be integrated into one (1) or more existing courses of study and shall be taught in manner that:
 - a. Generates an understanding of the causes, course, and effects of genocide;
 - b. Develops dialogue with students on the ramifications of bullying, bigotry, stereotyping, and discrimination;
 - c. Encourages tolerance of diversity and relevance for human dignity for all citizens in a pluralistic society.
3. The State Department of Education, in consultation with experts in genocide education, and shall develop and implement high quality professional learning opportunities for genocide education teachers.

Section 4. This act shall become effective during the 2025-2026 school year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-511

By: Gray of the House (OSU)
Friesen of the Senate (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to measurement units; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Metrication” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. United States Customary System - The current system of measurement units in practice within the United States.
2. International Systems of Unites (SI) - International standard of management encompassing the seven (7) base units of Length, Time, Amount of Substance, Electric Currents, Temperature, Luminous Intensity, and Mass.
3. Metrication - The act or process of converting to the metric system of measurement from a separate system.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. All instances of the United States (U.S.) Customary System will be replaced with the International System of Units (SI), also known as the metric system.
2. The Oklahoma State Department of Education shall slowly dissolve teachings of the U.S. Customary System, with a comparatively increased teaching of the newly implemented SI system.
 - a. Resembled future educational offerings shall offer similar “ratios” of the two taught systems as it stands today, but entirely switching the two.
 - i. Future educational requirements shall allow for a two (2) week intensive educational programming of the past U.S. Customary System for the purposes of historical preservation and ability to interact with other states till their inevitable adoption.

3. Upon the bill's passage, continual education programs and opportunities for all forty-nine (49) other states and two (2) other countries (Myanmar and Liberia) shall be implemented for the purposes of continual conversion and metrication of all those not currently aligned.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ten (10) years upon passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-512

By: Jasper (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to motor vehicles; providing a short title; amending 47 O.S. § 11-309; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Impeding Left Lane” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 11-309 is amended as follows:

1. Whenever any roadway has been divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic, the following requirements in addition to all others consistent herewith shall apply.
 - a. A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practicable entirely within a single lane.
 - b. A vehicle shall not be moved from the lane until the driver has first ascertained that the movement can be made with safety and then given a signal, not less than the last one hundred (100) feet traveled by the vehicle, of his intention to change lanes.
 - c. Upon a roadway which is divided into three lanes, a vehicle shall not be driven in the center lane except when overtaking and passing another vehicle where the roadway is clearly visible and the center lane is clear of traffic within a safe distance, or in preparation for a left turn or where the center lane is at the time allocated exclusively to traffic moving in the direction the vehicle is proceeding and is signposted to give notice of the allocation.
 - d. A two-way left-turn lane is a lane near the center of the highway set aside for use by vehicles making left turns in both directions from or into the roadway. Two-way left-turn lanes shall be designated by distinctive roadway markings consisting of parallel double yellow lines, interior line dashed and exterior line solid, on each side of the lane. A vehicle shall not be driven in a designated two-way left-turn lane except when preparing for or making a left turn from or into a roadway. Vehicles turning left from the roadway shall not be driven in the two-way left-turn lane for more than

two hundred (200) feet while preparing for and making the turn. A vehicle turning left onto the roadway may utilize the two-way left-turn lane as a staging area by stopping and waiting for traffic proceeding in the same direction to clear before merging into the adjacent lanes of travel. A left turn shall not be made from any other lane where a two-way left-turn lane has been designated. Provided, however, this section shall not prohibit driving across a two-way left-turn lane when moving from a service drive onto such marked roadway.

- e. A vehicle shall not be driven in the left lane of a roadway except when overtaking and passing another vehicle; provided, however, this paragraph shall not prohibit driving in the left lane when traffic conditions, flow or road configuration, such as the potential of merging traffic, require the use of the left lane to maintain safe traffic conditions; ~~provided further, this paragraph shall not prohibit driving in the left lane of a roadway within the city limits of a municipality as long as such roadway is not part of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.~~
- f. This act shall only apply to multi-laned roadways and highways that have a posted speed limit of 65 (sixty-five) miles per hour or higher.
- g. Official signs ~~may~~ shall be erected on all roadways or highways that have been divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic. These signs will direct ~~directing~~ slow-moving traffic to use a designated lane or designating those lanes to be used by traffic moving in a particular direction regardless of the center of the roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such sign.

Section 4. This act shall become effective (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-513

By: Jasper (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to infrastructure; providing short title; amending 69 O.S. § 507; providing for funding; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “ Better Roads” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. § 507 is amended as follows:

1. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund to be known as the "County Improvements for Roads and Bridges Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all appropriations and transfers made by the Legislature and the apportionments made pursuant to subsection L of Section 1104 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes. All monies accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and each fiscal year thereafter pursuant to subsection B of this section. Expenditures from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.
2. The funds apportioned pursuant to subsection L of Section 1104 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be in equal amounts to the various Transportation Commission districts. The funds shall be used for the sole purpose of construction or reconstruction of county roads or bridges on the county highway system that are of the highest priority as defined by the Transportation Commission. Counties may accumulate annual funding for a period of up to five (5) years for a specific project, with such funding to be held by the Transportation Commission to the credit of the county project. The Transportation Commission shall promulgate rules for the administration of the process and the development of criteria for determining the level of priority for projects and include such projects in a five-year construction plan that will be updated annually. Projects in the five-year construction plan shall

be contracted as provided by law and awarded by the Transportation Commission.

3. Funds that have been obliged to counties through the County Improvements for Roads and Bridges Fund shall not be withdrawn.
4. The fund shall be invested in whatever instruments are authorized by law for investments by the State Treasurer and the interest earned by any investment of monies from the fund shall be credited to the fund which shall earn the same, if there is any unexpended balance of such fund to which to credit the interest. The interest credited herein shall be expended pursuant to this section. Added by Laws 2006, 2nd Ex. Sess., c. 45, § 7, eff. July 1, 2007. Amended by Laws 2012, c. 304, § 575.

Section 3. FUNDING

1. The County Improvements for Roads and Bridges Fund shall be funded by a one eighth ($\frac{1}{8}$) of a cent increase in sales tax on the sale of gas and diesel at the pump.

Section 4. This act shall become effective January 1st, 2025.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-514

By: Jimenez (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to food benefits; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 56 O.S. § 26.6 ; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “taxation with starvation” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Undocumented persons- any person that entered into the US unlawfully
2. ITIN- Individual Taxpayer Identification Number
3. SNAP- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. The office of Oklahoma Human Services that oversees the allocation of state benefits shall be required to revise and incorporate new state laws and interpretations of new state requirements which would allow an undocumented person with ITIN be able to receive SNAP and other benefits of the state.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 56 O.S. §56-26.6.

1. DEFINITIONS

- a. ITIN-Individual Taxpayer Identification Number
2. (A) Any person in order to be eligible to receive assistance under the provisions of this act must have been a bona fide citizen and actual resident of this state for a period of one (1) year immediately prior to the date of application for assistance provided by this act.
3. (B) Other minimum requirements will be established by rules and regulations promulgated by the Board and adopted by said Board in official meeting.

Section 5. This act shall become effective on October 1, 2024.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-515

By: Lopez (OSU), Jimenez (OSU)
& Edmundson (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to School Lunch; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for funding; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Let Them Eat” Act of 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Free - At no cost to all students and their families.
2. First plate- Each serving portion at designated meal times serving the meal of the day and extra items such as baked goods, desserts, chips, salads, etc.
3. Subsequent plates - Any food items that are in excess of the standardized portion of the meal being served.
4. Small Business - means an enterprise whose annual gross volume of sales made or business done is no more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) (exclusive of excise taxes at the retail level that are separately stated).
5. Large Business - An enterprise whose annual gross volume of sales made or business done is no less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) (exclusive of excise taxes at the retail level that are separately stated).
6. Waiver - At the request of the childrens’ families, they can fill out a form to obtain free school meals.
7. State government funded schools - Public school districts maintaining grades kindergarten through twelfth (k-12).

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All state government funded schools will provide each student with a first plate at a minimum of one (1) free breakfast and one (1) free lunch meal at their designated meal times without the need of a waiver.
2. Subsequent plates of excess food items are to be given out for free if asked for by students.
3. The department must provide to every Oklahoma school participating in the free school meals program state funding for each school lunch and breakfast served to a student, with a minimum of one breakfast and one lunch per student per school day. The state aid equals the difference between the applicable federal reimbursement rate at that school site for a free meal, as determined annually by the United States Department of Agriculture, and the actual federal reimbursement received by the participating school for the breakfast or lunch served to the student.
4. Oklahoma will increase state business tax by one percent (1%) for all small business for the first year and increasing by point zero five percent (.05%) over the next five years capping out at one point two five percent (1.25%)
5. Oklahoma will increase state business tax by one percent (1%) for all large business for the first year and increasing by point three percent (.3%) over the next five (5) years capping out at two point five percent (2.25%).

Section 4. FUNDING

1. Oklahoma will increase state business tax by one percent (1%) for all small business for the first year and increasing by point zero five percent (.05%) over the next five years capping out at one point two five percent (1.25%).
2. Oklahoma will increase state business tax by one percent (1%) for all large business for the first year and increasing by point three percent (.3%) over the next five years capping out at two point five percent (2.5%).
3. Oklahoma will increase the state income tax for Oklahomans that gross seven hundred thousand (\$700,000) or more dollars annually by two percent (2%) maxing out at four percent (4%).

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. For each year that a school or school district denies free meals to students a citation will incur. After a maximum of three (3) citations, a fine consisting of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) will be assigned to said school or school district. Upon refusal to pay the assigned fine, a monthly fifty dollar (\$50) fee will be added to the initial thousand dollars (\$1,000) until the fine is paid in full.

Section 6. This act shall become effective the beginning of the 2026 school year after vote to approve income tax, passage, and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-516

By: Kamesh (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to medical loans; providing short title; amending 63 O.S. § 1-2721; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Amendment of the Oklahoma Medical Loan Repayment Program” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. § 1-2721 is amended to read as follows:

A.

1. The Health Care Workforce Training Commission shall administer the Oklahoma Medical Loan Repayment Program.
2. For the purposes of this section, "primary care physicians" shall mean physicians practicing in family medicine, geriatrics, general internal medicine, general pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, or emergency medicine.
3. For the purposes of this section, "health center" shall mean a federally qualified health center as defined by 42 U.S.C., Section 1905(1)(2)(B).
4. For the purposes of this section, "teaching health center" shall mean a health center that supports the residencies of primary care physicians within the operations of the health center.
5. The Program, depending upon and limited to available funding, shall provide educational loan repayment assistance to Oklahoma licensed primary care physicians and physician assistants who agree to establish a practice in a community located in Oklahoma approved by the Commission.
6. Each award shall be ~~for a contracted period~~ a minimum of eight (8) years to receive the award of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) meaning a maximum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) annually and shall be distributed to the participant by drafts made payable to the participant at the end of each contract year with disbursements not to exceed an amount to be established annually by the Commission. Prior to any

disbursement, the Commission shall certify and properly review reports submitted by the participating physician or physician assistant detailing performance of activities in accordance with the Program.

7. The Commission shall review the performance in the Program of the participating physician or physician assistant and determine Oklahoma Statutes - Title 63. Public Health and Safety Page 816 whether an award may be granted for additional years pursuant to rules promulgated by the Commission.
- B. The physicians and physician assistants entering the Program each year shall agree to provide medical care and services in areas designated by the Commission to provide medical care and services to Medicaid recipients as authorized by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.
- C. A physician or physician assistant shall be eligible to participate in the loan repayment program if the individual:
 1. Is a physician that holds a current Oklahoma medical license;
 2. Is a new primary care graduate physician or physician assistant. Preference will be given to graduates of the primary care residency programs affiliated with the Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine, the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine and the teaching hospitals affiliated with both schools of medicine and teaching health centers located in this state; or
 3. Is a current practicing physician or physician assistant and has met criteria established by the Commission.
- D. The Commission may accept donations of public or private funds to assist in funding the Medical Loan Repayment Program. The Commission may, at its discretion, contract with other public entities and nonprofit corporations for the endowment, management and administration of such funds.
- E. The Commission shall present a report on the operation of the Program to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate within one (1) month of the beginning of each regular session of the Legislature, including but not limited to the progress made in accomplishing the goal of the Program.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-517

By: Kizziar (OSU)
Russell (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act related to health education; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Oklahoma Healthy Youth” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Sexuality” – Capacity for sexual feelings.
2. “Reproductive Health” – A state of complete physical, mental, and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease and infirmity, in all matters relating to the reproductive system and to its functions and processes.
3. “Sex” – either of the two main categories (male and female) into which humans and most other living things are divided on the basis of their reproductive function.
4. “Public Schools” – all free schools supported by public taxation.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. To require comprehensive health education in Oklahoma public schools in grades six (6) through eight (8), for the purpose of:
 - a. Providing pupils with the knowledge and skills necessary to develop healthy attitudes concerning adolescent growth and development, body image, and relationships;
 - b. Promoting knowledge and skills necessary to protect their sexual and reproductive health from sexually transmitted infections and diseases (such as HIV) and unintended pregnancies;
 - c. Promoting healthy, positive, and safe relationships and behaviors;

- d. Promote understanding of sexuality as a normal part of human development.
2. The course should last for the duration of one semester, and shall be required for the graduation of eighth grade, but can be taken at any point between grade levels six (6) through eight (8).
3. The instructor of this comprehensive health education course may be determined by the individual school districts, provided there is an instructor and this instructor is a biology teacher.
4. These instructors must receive training determined by The Oklahoma State Department of Education in conjunction with The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.
5. The exact curriculum may be left up to the individual school districts, but must meet certain qualifications:
 - a. Curriculum must be scientifically accurate and objective;
 - b. Curriculum must be inclusive for use with students of all races, sexes, and ethnic and cultural backgrounds.
6. The funding of this act shall be determined by The Oklahoma State Department of Education.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If an Oklahoma public school district is not in compliance with this new law, the State Board of Education shall alter the accreditation status of the School district at issue to either Accredited With Warning or Accredited With Probation as classified in OAC 210:35-3-201. The Board shall adjust the status to Accredited With Probation if the School district is already Accredited With Warning.

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-518

By: McIntyre of the House (OSU)
L. Smith of the Senate (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to diversity and inclusion; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Protecting DEI” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Diversity” The practice or quality of including or involving people from a range of different social and ethnic backgrounds and of different genders, sexual orientations, etc.
2. “Equity” The quality of being fair and impartial.
3. “Inclusion” The practice or policy of providing equal access to opportunities and resources for people who might otherwise be excluded or marginalized, such as those who have physical or intellectual disabilities and members of other minority groups.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Every Higher Education Institution that receives funding from the State of Oklahoma shall be required to have an office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion on their campus.
2. The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion shall be dedicated to expanding access to higher education and providing resources to higher education students and must provide a semi-annual report to the State Department of Education for review and documentation.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. All state-funded institutions will have a grace period of one(1) year to come into compliance with the new law.
2. After one (1) year, if an institution is found to be out of compliance, it will be issued a six-month warning before harsher penalties incur.
3. If an institution is found to be out of compliance after the six-month warning period, it will be subject to review by the Department of Education and will cease to receive funding from the State of Oklahoma until it comes into compliance with the law.

Section 5. This act shall become effective August 1st of 2024.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-519

By: McIntyre (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to counseling; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and declaring a state of emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Banning Conversion Therapy” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act:

1. “Conversion Therapy” Any practice or treatment by a licensed physician or mental health worker that attempts or purports to change an individual’s sexual orientation or gender identity, including efforts to change behaviors or gender expressions or to eliminate or reduce sexual or romantic attraction or feelings toward individuals of the same sex.

A. “Conversion Therapy” Does not include practices or treatments that provide:

1. Acceptance, support, and understanding for the facilitation of an individual’s coping, social support, and identity exploration and development, including sexual orientation-neutral interventions to prevent or address unlawful conduct or unsafe sexual practices, as long as the counseling does not seek to change sexual orientation or gender identity: or
2. Assistance to a person undergoing gender transition.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Any licensed medical professional or certified mental health worker found to be practicing Conversion Therapy on individuals younger than 18 years of age must stop their practice immediately.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any licensed medical professional or certified mental health worker found to be in their first violation of this law will be subject to a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000) fine.
2. If a licensed medical professional or certified mental health worker is found to be in violation of this law more than once but less than three times, they will be subject to a thirty thousand dollar (\$30,000) fine.
3. If a licensed medical professional or certified mental health worker is found to be in violation of this law four or more times, they will have their license or certification revoked immediately.

Section 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-520

By: Mitchell (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Education; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “College Voters” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “College” shall be defined as a state-funded university, trade school, community college or other organization of higher education.
2. “Student” shall be defined as any person enrolled in higher education at a college.
3. “Surrounding States” shall be defined as Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, and Texas.
4. “Election day” shall be defined as a state or federal election for Oklahoma and the surrounding states, excluding state special elections.
5. “Supplemental learning” shall be defined as course material provided for students relating to the class period on the election day.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. College classes shall not be required on election days.
 - a. Attendance cannot be required of students, assignments can not be due in class.
 - i. Classes can be canceled on election days, but not required.
 - ii. Supplemental learning shall be provided for all students on these election days.
 - b. Tests, labs, or quizzes can not be held on election days.
 - c. Assignments worth five percent (5%) or more in the course can not be due on election days.

2. Student Organizations cannot require their members to attend meetings on election days, this includes intramural sports teams, clubs, fraternities/sororities, and student government.
3. Missing class on an Election Day shall not hurt or benefit a student's grade within a course.
4. College students who are on scholarship for athletics or band, work-study program students, and students who are on scholarship for a reason other than academic will still be required to meet those responsibilities unless excused by the managing body.

Section 4. This act shall become effective at the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-521

By: Mitchell (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Fraud; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and declaring a state of emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Fraudulent Law” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Fraud” shall be defined as the intentional use of deceit, a trick or some dishonest means for the purpose of passing legislation.
2. “Politician” shall be defined as any elected or appointed official who works for the state of Oklahoma.
3. “Intent to defraud” shall be defined as whenever, by any of the provisions of this chapter, an intent to defraud is required in order to constitute any offense, it is sufficient if an intent appears to defraud any person, association or body politic or corporate whatever.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Any politician may not fraudulently present a piece of legislation with intent to defraud as outlined in 21 O.S. § 110.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any politician who is suspected of using fraud to pass a piece of legislation will be put on probation and temporarily relieved of their duties during the investigation.
2. Any politician found guilty of fraud, shall be guilty of a felony punishable by a fine not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), or by

imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a term not exceeding five (5) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

- a. Any politician found guilty of fraud shall be ineligible to run for state office, work for the state of Oklahoma, or receive benefits from the state.

Section 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-522

By: Russell (OSU)
Edmundson (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Minimum Wage; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Why does a Big Mac meal cost more than minimum wage” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. Minimum wage - The minimum amount of U.S currency you are legally allowed to pay employees engaged in commerce; home workers in Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands; employees in American Samoa; seamen on American vessels; agricultural employees; or any other U.S. territory. In compliance with 29 U.S. Code § 206.
 2. Inflation Rate - The rate of increase in prices over a given period of time.
 3. Tipped Workers - A tipped employee engages in an occupation in which he or she customarily and regularly receives more than thirty dollars (\$30) per month in tips.
 4. Large employer - means an enterprise whose annual gross volume of sales made or business done is not less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) (exclusive of excise taxes at the retail level that are separately stated).
 5. Small employer - means an enterprise whose annual gross volume of sales made or business done is less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) (exclusive of excise taxes at the retail level that are separately stated).
 6. Employee - A person that is currently employed within the state of Oklahoma.
 7. Part-time - An employee of a company that works no more than thirty (30) hours a week and receives no benefits (insurance, health care, paid time off, etc.).

8. Full-time - An employee of a company that works thirty-two to forty (32-40) hours a week or one hundred thirty (130) hours a month that receives benefits (insurance, health care, paid time off, etc.).

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Three years after the passage and ratification of this bill, every large employer will be required to pay all of their employees a minimum wage of fifteen dollars (\$15) per hour.
 - a. After every employee of a large employer has reached the new minimum wage, large employers give their employees no less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the national inflation from their last raise to the current raise. This must be done at least once every two years.
2. Three years to the day after the passage and ratification of this bill, every small employer will be required to pay all of their employees a minimum wage of twelve dollars (\$12) per hour.
 - a. After every employee of a small employer has reached the new minimum wage, small employers will be required to give a pay raise to their employees no less than twelve point five percent (12.5%) of the national inflation from their last raise to the current raise. This must be done at least once every two years.
3. Three years to the day after the passage and ratification of this bill, all tipped workers will be required to make a minimum wage of no less than eight dollars (\$8) per hour.
 - a. After every tipped worker of a small and large employer has reached the new minimum wage, small and large employers will be required to give a pay raise to their employees no less than five percent (5%) of the national inflation from their last raise to the current raise. This must be done at least once every two years.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. For any large employer who does not comply with the adjustments to the wage of their employees specified in Section 3 subsections 1 & 3 by the scheduled dates listed in Section 3 subsections 1 & 3. They will be fined one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per employee. The large employers will also be obligated to track and reimburse the back pay of said employee(s) for the difference in pay between their current pay and the state minimum wage.

2. For any small employer who does not comply with the adjustment to the wage of their employees specified in Section 3 subsections 2 & 3 by the scheduled dates listed in Section 3 subsection 2 & 3. They will be fined two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per employee. The small employers will also be obligated to track and reimburse the back pay of said employee(s) for the difference in pay between their current pay and the state minimum wage.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-523

By: Smith (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to seatbelts; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 47 O.S. § 12-417(E); providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Never Too Cool For Seatbelts” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Motor Vehicle” Class A commercial motor vehicle, Class B commercial motor vehicle, Class C commercial motor vehicle or a passenger vehicle.
2. “Passenger Vehicle” A Class D motor vehicle, but shall not include trucks, tractors, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, motorized bicycles, or a vehicle used primarily for farm use.
3. “Child” A person aged twelve (12) years or younger.
4. “Teenager” A person aged thirteen (13) years to seventeen (17) years.
5. “Adult” A person aged eighteen (18) years or older.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. In addition to persons described in Section 12-417, all passengers of a motor vehicle must wear a properly adjusted and fastened safety seat belt system, required to be installed in the motor vehicle when manufactured pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Section 571.208.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 12-417(E) is amended to read as follows:

- E. ~~Fine and court costs for violating the provisions of this section shall not exceed Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).~~

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Any person that violates the requirements of this section or Section 12-417 shall be subject to:
 - a. A fine of fifty (50) dollars if an adult or teenager is cited for not wearing a seatbelt in one of the front seats of a motor vehicle.
 - b. A fine of one-hundred (100) dollars if cited for a child not wearing a seatbelt in a motor vehicle. An extra fine of fifty (50) dollars shall be added if the child in question is under the age of eight (8).
 - c. A fine of twenty-five (25) dollars if an adult or teenager is cited for not wearing a seatbelt in one of the seats behind the front seats of a motor vehicle.
2. All of the fines incurred by passengers of a motor vehicle shall be given to the operator of the vehicle.

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-524

By: Tate (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to environmental protection; providing short title; providing definitions; providing for codification; providing an effective date

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Natural Fish Protection” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Invasive fish - grass carp, bighead carp, silver carp, and white perch

Section 3. NEW LAW. A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Any person with a legal fishing license can bring fish into a Wildlife and Fisheries Department office.
2. Upon the arrival of fish at the department, said person must fill out a form identifying the location where the fish was caught.
3. After the fish has been identified and the form completed, the person shall receive credit on an Oklahoma hunting and fishing license(s) for the upcoming year.
4. The amount credited will be designated by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife.

Section 4. This act shall become effective one (1) year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-525

By: Tate (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to intoxicating liquors; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for amending (insert statute number here); providing for codification; providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Protect Liquor Stores” act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Hard liquor – alcoholic beverage that is produced through distillation
2. Undistilled Liquor – alcohol that undergoes fermentation
3. Franchise stores – a series of stores owned by one company and selling the same merchandise nationally or internationally

Section 3. AMENDATORY

A. Section 148 Subsection 4.

- ~~1. Sell any beer and wine on credit; provided, that acceptance by a grocery store, convenience store or drug store of a cash or debit card, or a nationally recognized credit card, in lieu of actual cash payment does not constitute the extension of credit; provided, further, as used in this section:~~

Section 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Franchise stores can not sell hard liquor at any store location or online.
2. Franchise stores can not sell undistilled liquor of any alcohol content at any store location or online.

Section 5. This act shall become effective one (1) year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-526

By: Tate (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to environmental protection; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing an effective date

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Cattle and Livestock Feed (C.A.L.F.)” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Seaweed – brominta, a form of red seaweed.
2. Bovaer – feed additive that suppresses enzymes that create methane and is broken down into compounds naturally present in the rumen.
3. Methane – powerful greenhouse gas released when cattle burp.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall provide a fifteen percent (15%) tax cut to livestock owners who spend more than five thousand (5,000) dollars on cattle feed that contains seaweed or Bovaer.
2. Farmers must provide proof of purchase to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture
3. Dairy and beef cattle can only be given Bovaer.
4. Non-dairy and non-beef cattle can be given either seaweed or Bovaer.
5. Farmers must tag cattle that are given seaweed or Bovaer.
6. Owners who decide to partake in this plan, must allow research to be done on methane emissions of their cattle.

Section 4. This act shall become effective one hundred eighty days (180) after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-527

By: Tynes (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the state vegetable; providing a short title; providing for definitions; amending 25 O.S. § 98.15; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Make the State Vegetable a Vegetable Again” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Sweet Potato - Also known as the *Ipomoea batatas*, this vegetable is considered a vegetable both in nutritional and culinary uses. It is a large, starchy, and tuberous root vegetable used in many ways throughout the State of Oklahoma.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. § 98.15 is amended to read as follows:

1. The ~~watermelon~~ sweet potato is hereby designated and adopted as the official vegetable of the State of Oklahoma.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-528

By: Tynes (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to County Sheriff's Department Websites; providing a short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the "County Sheriff's Department Websites" Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. All county deputies must be listed on each county's sheriff's office website.
 - a. Exceptions can be granted by the District Attorney for officers working undercover, or at risk of harm when listed publicly.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-529

By: Valgora (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Capital Punishment; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Humanitarian Capital Punishment” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Capital Punishment” shall be defined as killing a person as punishment for a crime, also referred to as “execution”.
2. “Firing Squad” shall be defined as a method of execution by Winchester rifle, using .30 caliber ammunition, in accordance with the current standard procedure for this method as stated below.
3. “Lethal Injection” shall be defined as a combination of the sedative midazolam, the paralytic vecuronium bromide, and potassium chloride administered as a method of execution.
4. “Riflemen” shall be defined as trained volunteers from the Oklahoma Department of Corrections who will carry out the capital punishment sentence, also referred to as “shooters”.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Execution by firing squad shall become the primary method of execution for the purpose of capital punishment in Oklahoma.
 - a. The prisoner will be blindfolded and strapped to a metal chair in front of a heavy barrier with sandbags surrounding the sides of the chair.
 - b. Five (5) riflemen will line up side-by-side approximately fifteen (15) feet away from the prisoner. Each will be outfitted with a Winchester rifle firing .30 caliber ammunition. One of the rifles will fire a blank round.

- c. A small, white cloth will be affixed over the prisoner's heart to aid the aim of the shooters.
 - d. The shooters will be instructed to raise their rifles and shoot at the same time, aiming for the prisoner's heart.
 - e. A medical doctor on scene will confirm the death of the prisoner and announce a time of death.
 - f. If the prisoner is not pronounced dead, one (1) of the riflemen will approach and fire at the prisoner's heart at close range.
 - g. Any witnesses will be escorted out of the viewing gallery at this time so the body may be removed and autopsied.
2. In the event that execution by firing squad is declared unconstitutional or is unavailable, execution by lethal injection may be used as an alternate method of execution.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OSU-530

By: Walker (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Food Insecurity; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Need for food” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS: The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. Food Insecurity - the inability to obtain enough food or food of sufficient quality to meet one's fundamental needs. The accessibility of food inside a nation and the capacity of its citizens to obtain, afford, and procure enough food.
 2. Food utilization - the proper biological use of food, requiring a diet providing sufficient energy and essential nutrients, potable water, and adequate sanitation.
 3. Food access - is ensured when households and all individuals within them have adequate resources to obtain appropriate food for a nutritional diet.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
1. All counties within the state of Oklahoma are required to apply to a list of programs that targets food access, food utilization, and food insecurity to ensure that their students and communities are well provided for.
 - a. If a county has enough funds and does not need the resources, the funds will be appropriated to other counties to meet their needs.
- Section 4. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-501

By: April (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to sexual assault resources; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Sexual Assault Victims Right To Resources” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Sexual Assault” means any type of sexual contact or behavior that occurs without explicit consent of the recipient including, but not limited to, forced sexual intercourse, forcible sodomy, child molestation, child sexual abuse, incest, fondling and all attempts to complete any of the aforementioned acts.
2. “Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner” means a health care provider who has been specially educated to provide medical and forensic care for a patient who has suffered sexual assault/abuse, trained in the collection of forensic evidence, and to testify in court as an expert or fact witness
3. "Sexual assault forensic evidence" means any human biological specimen collected by a medical provider during a forensic medical examination from an alleged sexual assault victim including, when circumstances indicate the need, a toxicology kit.
4. “Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examination” means a physical examination to collect evidence from a sexual assault victims body and clothes after a sexual assault.
5. “Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit” means a container that includes a checklist, materials, and instructions, along with envelopes and containers to package any specimens collected during the exam.
6. “Sexual Assault Victim” or "victim" means any person who is a victim of a sexual assault.
7. “Telehealth” means means the practice of health care delivery, diagnosis, consultation, evaluation and treatment, transfer of medical data or exchange of

medical education information by means of a two-way, real-time interactive communication, not to exclude store and forward technologies, between a patient and a healthcare provider with access to and reviewing the patient's relevant clinical information prior to the telemedicine visit.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All of the forty-four (44) colleges and universities in the state of Oklahoma shall authorize programs for the use of Telehealth through its university health centers to provide individuals with the means to speak to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners who are licensed to administer and perform sexual assault examinations and collect sexual assault forensic data evidence to any person who is a sexual assault victim.
2. All of the one-hundred and sixty-four (164) licensed hospitals in the state of Oklahoma shall authorize programs for the use Telehealth to provide individuals with the means to speak to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners.
3. Health care facilities at Oklahoma universities or licensed public hospitals in the state of Oklahoma that do not already have Telehealth programs available may apply for funding from grants through the State Department of Health.
4. All one-hundred and sixty-four (164) licensed hospitals in the state of Oklahoma will be mandated to provide Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits.
5. All forty-four (44) universities in the state of Oklahoma will be mandated to supply Sexual Assault Evidence Collection kits at their university clinics.
6. Along with the creation of programs to allow for individuals to speak to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners through the use of Telehealth at health care facilities across Oklahoma, additional programs to fund the distribution of Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits will be created.
 - I. The distribution of the Sexual Assault Evidence Collection will be funded through grants that can be requested through the Department of Health in the state of Oklahoma or the Office of Justice Programs through the United States Department of Justice.
7. The Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits will be distributed to any of the licensed hospitals and universities in Oklahoma that request them.
8. The additional program will allow the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners to help nurses in health care facilities administer Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits through the Telehealth programs for health care facilities that do not have Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners employed at their facilities.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. On a first offense, any university or licensed hospital found in violation of this law is subject to an initial penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500).
2. On a second offense, the institution will be subject to an additional penalty of one-thousand dollars (\$1000).
3. On a third offense, there will be a penalty of five-thousand dollars (\$5000) and the offending institution's accreditation or license will be suspended until that time when the institution is operating in accordance with this law.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-502

By: Gribbin (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to health insurance; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1 This act shall be known as the “Co-Pay Reduction” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITION The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Co-Pay” refers to a fixed amount of funds to cover the cost of medical treatments and services.
2. “College Student” refers to anyone pursuing higher education enrolled at a college or university, whether undergraduate or postgraduate.
3. “Low-income” refers to anyone having an annual income under the federal poverty line.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The State of Oklahoma shall provide a copay assistance card to low-income college students studying at a university in Oklahoma. This includes low-income college students studying in-person or online.
 - a. The copay assistance card will last for twelve (12) months and provide up to two hundred dollars (\$200) in assistance for the twelve (12) months.
 - b. The copay assistance card may be applied to pharmaceutical medication copays only.
 - c. Students can reapply for the copay assistance card annually while they attend university in Oklahoma.
 - d. The student may not be a participant of Medicare or Medicaid.
2. The process of applying for the copay card will require documentation of a being in need, as follows:

- a. Must provide documentation of being in need of financial assistance.
- b. Must provide documentation of attending a university.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individuals or parties found to be in violation of Section 3.1 shall be fined an amount ranging from five thousand to ten thousand dollars (\$5000-\$10,000) depending upon the gravity of the offense as determined by an Oklahoma district court unless specified otherwise.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-503

By: Hassebroek (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to solitary confinement; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Solitary Confinement Reform” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITION The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.
1. “Solitary Confinement” is defined as a form of internal discipline where a prisoner is placed in a cell away from other prisoners, with limited contact with others. It is intended to influence the prisoner psychologically and is usually awarded in serious crimes.
 2. “Extended Restrictive Housing” is defined as housing that separates the inmate from contact with the general population while restricting an inmate to their cell for at least twenty-two (22) hours per day and for more than thirty (30) days for the safe and secure operation of the facility.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. The maximum amount of hours per week a prisoner can spend in solitary confinement may not exceed one-hundred (100) hours.
 - a. This act excludes death row inmates and is targeted towards prisoners placed in extended restrictive housing with up to one (1) life sentence in the state of Oklahoma.
 2. Inmates in solitary confinement must have a way to see natural light and day and night cycles in all penitentiaries across the state of Oklahoma.
- Section 4. This act shall become effective one hundred and twenty (120) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-504

By: Helms (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to sexual health education; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 70 O.S. §11-103.3; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “HIV/AIDS Literacy” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Abstinence-only teaching: A form of sex education that solely teaches not having sex outside of marriage. It often excludes other types of sexual and reproductive health education, such as birth control and safe sex practices that aid in avoiding virus contraction.
2. Comprehensive sexual health education: A curriculum-based process of teaching and learning about the cognitive, emotional, physical, and social aspects of sexuality.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 11-103.3 is amended to read as follows:

1. Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) prevention education shall be taught in the public schools of this state. AIDS prevention education shall be limited to the discussion of the disease AIDS and its spread and prevention. Students shall receive such education:
 - a. at the option of the local school district, a minimum of once during the period from grades ~~five through grade six~~ first through fifth.
 - b. a minimum of once during the period from grades ~~seven through grade nine~~ six through eight; and
 - c. a minimum of once during the period from grades ~~ten through grade twelve~~ nine through twelve.
2. The State Department of Education shall develop curriculum and materials for AIDS prevention education in conjunction with the State Department of Health. A school district may also develop its own AIDS prevention education

curriculum and materials. Any curriculum and materials developed for use in public schools shall be approved for medical accuracy by the State Department of Health. A school district may use any curriculum and materials which have been developed and approved pursuant to this subsection.

3. School districts shall make the curriculum and materials that will be used to teach AIDS prevention education available for inspection by the parents and guardians of the students that will be involved with the curriculum and materials. Furthermore, the curriculum must be limited in time frame to deal only with factual medical information for AIDS prevention. The school districts, at least one (1) month prior to teaching AIDS prevention education in any classroom, shall conduct for the parents and guardians of the students involved during weekend and evening hours at least one presentation concerning the curriculum and materials that will be used for such education. No student shall be required to participate in AIDS prevention education if a parent or guardian of the student objects in writing to such participation.
4. AIDS prevention education shall specifically teach students that:
 - a. ~~engaging in homosexual activity, promiscuous sexual activity, intravenous drug use, or contact with contaminated blood products is now known to be primarily responsible for contact with the AIDS virus;~~ Engaging in uninformed and unsafe sexual practices, intravenous drug use, and coming into contact with contaminated blood products is known to be possible causations for contracting HIV/AIDS
 - b. ~~avoiding the activities specified in paragraph 1 of this subsection is the only method of preventing the spread of the virus;~~ By avoiding the activities specified in paragraph 1 of this subsection, the risk of contracting or spreading the virus is greatly lowered.
 - c. sexual intercourse, with or without ~~condoms~~ protection, with any person testing positive for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) antibodies, or any other person infected with HIV, places that individual in a high-risk category for developing AIDS.
 - d. ~~The program of AIDS prevention education shall teach that abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain means for the prevention of the spread or contraction of the AIDS virus through sexual contact. It shall also teach that artificial means of birth control are not a certain means of preventing the spread of the AIDS virus and reliance on such methods puts a person at risk for exposure to the disease. The program of AIDS~~ prevention education shall not solely focus on the concept of abstinence but be based on comprehensive sexual health education in its teaching methods. It should teach that while abstinence can be maintained for absolute safety measures, there are other concepts that should be taught in

conjunction that reduce the risk of contraction, such as but not limited to: instruction on the nature of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and AIDS, methods of transmission, strategies to reduce the risk of HIV infection, information on artificial means of birth control, and social and public health issues related to HIV and AIDS.

5. The State Department of Health and the State Department of Education shall update AIDS education curriculum material as newly discovered medical facts make it necessary.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any academic institution found not compliant will lose its accreditation sixty (60) days after the first infraction, in the case that the previous breach was not corrected.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-505

By: Hutchins (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to accessibility; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Judy Heumann” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Public school” refers to all learning institutions funded by local, state, and/or federal governments, including institutions of higher education such as public universities.
2. “The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)” refers to a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including jobs, schools, transportation, and all public and private places that are open to the general public.
3. “Infraction” refers to anything that an ADA Coordinator deems to be out of compliance with the ADA.
4. “ADA Coordinator” refers to the individuals who have been determined to have adequate knowledge of the ADA and have been appointed as such within all local and state government entities, including school districts, with more than fifty (50) employees.
5. “Special Olympics Oklahoma” refers to the nonprofit organization that provides sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Beginning August 1, 2024, all public schools within the state of Oklahoma shall be required to schedule an inspection with an ADA Coordinator every

four (4) years. On the agreed-upon date and time, the ADA Coordinator shall inspect the campus of the public school to ensure compliance with the ADA.

- a. Should a school district with less than fifty (50) employees not have an ADA coordinator, they shall contact the Oklahoma Office of Disability Concerns to schedule an inspection with a nearby ADA Coordinator.
 - i. Any ADA Coordinator employed within the state of Oklahoma traveling on authorized state business may apply to be reimbursed for expenses incurred during such travel.
2. Upon completion of the inspection, the ADA Coordinator will provide the public school with a detailed list of infractions. The public school shall then receive a period of ninety (90) days to resolve all infractions. After the ninety (90) day period has expired, a second inspection will occur at a time agreed upon by the ADA Coordinator and the public school.
 - a. Extensions to the ninety (90) day period may be granted at the discretion of the Oklahoma Office of Disability Concerns.
 - b. In the event there are no infractions, the public school shall be provided a certificate indicating such.
3. All fines collected by the Oklahoma Office of Disability Concerns as a result of any public school within the state of Oklahoma failing to meet these requirements shall be donated to Special Olympics Oklahoma.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Upon failing a second inspection, all public schools shall be fined five hundred dollars (\$500) per remaining infraction and a third inspection will occur following a ninety (90) day period at a time agreed upon by the ADA Coordinator and the public school.
 - a. Extensions to the ninety (90) day period may be granted at the discretion of the Oklahoma Office of Disability Concerns.
2. Upon discovery that a public school has failed to schedule and complete an inspection within the four (4) year period, the public school will be fined one hundred dollars (\$100) for every month it is overdue for an inspection.
3. All state-accredited public schools will lose state accreditation upon failing a third inspection or failing to schedule and complete an inspection for more than five (5) years.
 - a. All public universities will lose state funding upon failing a third inspection or failing to schedule and complete an inspection for more than five (5) years.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and

approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-506

By: Landry (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to standard time; providing short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Save Our Biological Clocks” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The standard time in Oklahoma shall be the mean solar time of the ninetieth (90th) meridian west of Greenwich, commonly known as central standard time.
2. This section shall not be construed to affect the standard time established by United States law governing the movements of common carriers engaged in interstate commerce or the time for performance of an act by an officer or department of the United States, as established by a statute, lawful order, rule or regulation of the United States or an agency thereof.
3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary by the United States government relating to adoption of daylight saving time by all of the states, the state of Oklahoma elects to reject such time and elects to continue in force the terms of section 2 subsection 1, relating to standard time in Oklahoma.
4. The rejection of daylight saving time as provided for in this section may be changed by future legislative action.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-507

By: Landry (OU)
Wadley (OU)
Schonfield (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to muppets; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Rowlf Rules” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Rowlf the Dog: a scruffy brown dog of indeterminate breed with a rounded black nose and long floppy ears. He was created and originally performed by Jim Henson. Rowlf is the Muppet Theatre's resident pianist on The Muppet Show, as well as one of the show's main cast members. He is a fluffy canine that connects well to the arts.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Given that dogs may very well be man’s best friend, especially as embodied by Rowlf the Dog, the State of Oklahoma shall recognize Rowlf the Dog as the state Muppet.
2. All K-12 publicly funded schools in the State of Oklahoma must provide at minimum one (1) service dog to support the teaching of music education classes. Funding for the adoption of these dogs shall be allocated from the General Revenue Fund as per 62 O.S. § 34.57.
3. All dogs serving the above mentioned schools must watch a minimum of twenty four (24) hours of Rowlf the Dog videos for preparation.
4. Teachers previously employed for the conducting of these music classes shall not be fired because of or fully replaced by dogs implemented in this act.

Section 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

1. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval. Upon rejection of the emergency clause, this act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-508

By: Landry (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to balloon releases; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “No Strings Attached” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Balloon: A sac filled with hot air or gas to make it rise in the air, typically sealed at the neck.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The Legislature finds that the release into the atmosphere of large numbers of balloons inflated with lighter-than-air gasses poses a danger and nuisance to the environment, particularly to wildlife and marine animals.
2. It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to intentionally release, organize the release, or intentionally cause to be released within a twenty-four (24) hour period ten (10) or more balloons inflated with a gas that is lighter than air except for:
 - a. Balloons released by a person on behalf of a governmental agency or pursuant to a governmental contract for scientific or meteorological purposes;
 - b. Hot air balloons that are recovered after launching;
 - c. Balloons released indoors; or
 - d. Balloons that are either biodegradable or photodegradable, or made of any material which requires less than five minutes' contact with air or water to degrade and which are closed by a hand-tied knot in the stem of the balloon without string, ribbon, or other attachments. In the event that any balloons are released pursuant to the exemption established in this

paragraph, the party responsible for the release shall make available to any law enforcement officer evidence of the biodegradability or photodegradability of said balloons in the form of a certificate executed by the manufacturer. Failure to provide said evidence shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this act.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person who violates section 3 of this law is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine of five dollars (\$5) per balloon above the allowable limit.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-509

By: Landry (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to lead shot; providing short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Lead is Poison” Act of 2023.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. On a Public Hunting Area (PHA portion), all legal forms of wildlife harvest are permitted under statewide hunting, fishing and furbearer regulations unless specific regulations for the area indicate otherwise. Unless otherwise provided, all shotgun hunting on a Public Hunting Area is restricted to federally approved nontoxic shot and the possession of lead shot is prohibited.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-510

By: Landry (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to HIV/AIDS education; providing short title; amending 70 O.S. § 11-103.3; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “HIV/AIDS Prevention Education 2.0” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 11-103.3 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) prevention education shall be taught in the public schools of this state. ~~AIDS prevention education shall be limited to the discussion of the disease AIDS and its spread and prevention.~~ Students shall receive such education:
1. at the option of the local school district, a minimum of once during the period from grade five through grade six;
 2. a minimum of once during the period from grade seven through grade nine; and
 3. a minimum of once during the period from grade ten through grade twelve.
- B. The State Department of Education shall develop curriculum and materials for HIV/AIDS prevention education in conjunction with the State Department of Health. A school district may also develop its own HIV/AIDS prevention education curriculum and materials. Any curriculum and materials developed for use in the public schools shall be approved for medical accuracy by the State Department of Health. A school district may use any curriculum and materials which have been developed and approved pursuant to this subsection.
- C. School districts shall make the curriculum and materials that will be used to teach AIDS prevention education available for inspection by the parents and guardians of the students that will be involved with the curriculum and materials. Furthermore, the curriculum must be limited in time frame to deal only with factual medical information for HIV/AIDS prevention. The school

districts, at least one (1) month prior to teaching HIV/AIDS prevention education in any classroom, shall conduct for the parents and guardians of the students involved during weekend and evening hours at least one presentation concerning the curriculum and materials that will be used for such education. No student shall be required to participate in HIV/AIDS prevention education if a parent or guardian of the student objects in writing to such participation.

- D. AIDS prevention education shall specifically teach students that:
1. ~~engaging in homosexual activity, promiscuous sexual activity, unprotected sexual contact,~~ intravenous drug use, ~~or~~ contact with contaminated blood products, ~~or transfer from mother to child during pregnancy, childbirth or breast-feeding~~ are known to be primarily responsible for contact with the HIV/AIDS virus;
 2. ~~avoiding the activities specified in paragraph 1 of this subsection is the only method of preventing the spread of the virus;~~
 3. ~~sexual intercourse, with or without condoms, with any person testing positive for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) antibodies, or any other person infected with HIV, places that individual in a high risk category for developing AIDS.~~
 4. methods of prevention include safe sex, needle exchange programs, treating those who are infected, as well as both pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis. Disease in a baby can often be prevented by giving both the mother and child antiretroviral medication.
- E. ~~The program of AIDS prevention education shall teach that abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain means for the prevention of the spread or contraction of the AIDS virus through sexual contact. It shall also teach that artificial means of birth control are not a certain means of preventing the spread of the AIDS virus and reliance on such methods puts a person at risk for exposure to the disease.~~
- F. The State Department of Health and the State Department of Education shall update AIDS education curriculum material as newly discovered medical facts make it necessary.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-511

By: Landry (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to sex work; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. § 1029, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Protect All Workers” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1029 is amended to read as follows:

~~A. It shall further be unlawful:~~

- ~~1. To engage in prostitution, lewdness, or assignation;~~
- ~~2. To solicit, induce, entice, or procure another to commit an act of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution, with himself or herself;~~
- ~~3. To reside in, enter, or remain in any house, place, building, or other structure, or to enter or remain in any vehicle, trailer, or other conveyance with the intent of committing an act of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation; or~~
- ~~4. To aid, abet, or participate in the doing of any of the acts prohibited in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of this subsection.~~

~~B. Any prohibited act described in paragraph 1, 2, 3 or 4 of subsection A of this section~~ Any of the following acts committed with a person under eighteen (18) years of age shall be unlawful and deemed child prostitution, as defined in Section 1030 of this title, and shall be punishable as provided in Section 1031 of this title:;

1. Engaging in prostitution, lewdness, or assignation;
2. Soliciting, inducing, enticing, or procuring another to commit an act of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution, with themselves;
3. Residing in, entering, or remaining in any house, place, building, or other structure, or entering or remaining in any vehicle, trailer, or other conveyance with the intent of committing

C. In any prosecution of a person sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age for an offense described in subsection A of this section, there shall be a presumption that the actor was coerced into committing such offense by

another person in violation of the human trafficking provisions set forth in Section 748 of this title.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-512

By: Lokey (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to DUIs; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.

Section 1. This act shall be known as “The DUI Reduction” Act of 2023.

Section 2: DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act.

1. “DUI” is defined as Driving Under the Influence, characterized by such conditions as:
 - a. A person’s BAC is .08% or higher
 - b. A person is under the influence of alcohol
 - c. There is any amount of a Schedule I chemical or controlled substance in a person’s body
 - d. A person is under the influence of any intoxicating substances besides alcohol that render you incapable of safely operating your motor vehicle
 - e. A person is under the combined influence of alcohol, drugs, and/or other intoxicating substances and have been rendered incapable of safely operating your motor vehicle.
2. “BAC” is defined as Blood Alcohol Content.
3. “Rehabilitation” is defined as a set of interventions designed to optimize functioning and reduce disability in individuals with health conditions in interaction with their environment.
4. “Therapy” is defined as treatment intended to relieve or heal a disorder.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

- A. When a person is charged with a DUI by the state of Oklahoma, they will automatically be required to receive state-funded rehabilitation treatment as well as therapy sessions.

- B. If the offender is in prison for the DUI charge, they can fulfill these obligations while in the prison system.
- C. If the offender is only charged with a fine, they will have a supervisor who oversees their treatment and checks up on them throughout the process.
- D. Any necessary funds for the purposes of this bill will be garnered from a one percent (1%) tax to be levied on the sale of medical marijuana.
 - a. Any annual funds not used will be carried over to the next fiscal year to be used for the same purpose.

Section 4. This act will become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-513

By: McCumber (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public health and safety; providing short title; amending 63 O.S. § 1-238; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Adjusted State Plan” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. § 1-238 is amended to read as follows:

- A. The State Plan for Coordination of Efforts for Prevention of Adolescent Pregnancy and Sexually Transmitted Diseases shall include but not necessarily be limited to:
1. A statewide public awareness campaign which ~~extols the virtue of abstaining from premarital sexual activity. Said public awareness campaign shall not directly or indirectly condone premarital or promiscuous sexual activity;~~ highlights the concerning STI and adolescent pregnancy rates in the state and calls for public action in accordance with Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines.
 2. Identification of effective prevention strategies and materials;
 3. Identification of resources, both within the agencies subject to the provisions of this act and within the communities;
 4. Identification of sources of revenue for programs and efforts from private as well as federal and state sources;
 5. Development and replication of effective model programs outside of abstinence-based curriculum and in accordance with CDC guidelines;
 6. Empowerment of communities in developing local prevention strategies through, but not limited to, resources, mentorship, and funding;
 7. Development of recommendations for local prevention efforts and technical assistance to communities;
 8. Delineation of service responsibilities and coordination of delivery of services by the agencies subject to the provision of this act;
 9. Coordination and collaboration among related efforts, individuals, and programs;

10. Evaluation of prevention strategies and programs produced and published to the public every six (6) months or as needed;
 11. Distribution of information on prevention program and strategies; and
 12. A funding and implementation plan which shall provide for utilization of identifiable financial resources from federal, state, local, and private resources and coordination of those resources to fund related services.
- B. On or before July 1, 1995, the agencies subject to the provisions of this act shall enter into interagency agreements for the purpose of implementing the State Plan. These interagency agreements are subject to yearly review every March 1 thereafter to evaluate the program's implementation and readjust as necessary with new reports to ensure data-driven efficiency and effectiveness.
- C. On or before September 1, 1995, and each September 1 thereafter a joint funding plan shall be submitted to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by the agencies subject to the provisions of this act. The individual components of the plan as they relate to individual agencies shall be incorporated annually into each affected agency's budget request in accordance with the provisions of Section ~~41.29~~ 34.95 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-514

By: McCumber (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to definitions and general provisions; providing short title; repealing 25 O.S. §90.17; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Ew It’s Reagan” Act of 2023.

Section 2. REPEALER 25 O.S. § 90.17 is hereby repealed

~~President Ronald Reagan Day. The sixth day of February of each year is hereby designated as "President Ronald Reagan Day" to commemorate the anniversary of the birth of the 40th President of the United States of America.~~

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-515

By: McCumber (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to definitions and general provisions; providing short title; repealing 25 O.S. §94.11; repealing 25 O.S. §94.12; repealing 25 O.S. §94.13; repealing 25 O.S. §94.14; repealing 25 O.S. §94.16; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Can We Please Just Separate Church and State” Act of 2023.

Section 2. REPEALER 25 O.S. § 94.11 is hereby repealed

~~The official state gospel song of the State of Oklahoma is hereby declared to be the words of the song “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”, composed and written by Wallis Willis, a Choctaw freedman living in Indian Territory before 1862.~~

Section 3. REPEALER 25 O.S. §94.12 is hereby repealed

~~The State Library shall be the official depository of the official Oklahoma State Gospel Song, and the State Librarian shall cause a copy thereof to be kept in the State Library.~~

Section 4. REPEALER 25 O.S. §94.13 is hereby repealed

~~The words to the Oklahoma State Gospel Song, “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”, words by Wallis Willis, are as follows:~~

~~Swing low, sweet chariot,
Coming for to carry me home,
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin’ for to carry me home.
Hooked over Jordan, and what did I see,
Comin’ for to carry me home,
A band of angels comin’ after me,
Comin’ for to carry me home.~~

~~Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home,
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home.
If you get there before I do,
Comin' for to carry me home,
Tell all my friends I'm comin' too,
Comin' for to carry me home.
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home,
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home.
I'm sometimes up and sometimes down,
Comin' for to carry me home,
But still my soul feels heavenly bound,
Comin' for to carry me home.
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home,
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home.
The brightest day that I can say,
Comin' for to carry me home,
When Jesus washed my sins away,
Comin' for to carry me home.
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home,
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Comin' for to carry me home.~~

Section 5. REPEALER 25 O.S. § 94.14 is hereby repealed

~~The official inspirational song of the State of Oklahoma is hereby declared to be "I Can Only Imagine" by MercyMe.~~

Section 6. REPEALER 25 O.S. §94.16 is hereby repealed

~~The words to the official inspirational song for the State of Oklahoma, "I Can Only Imagine", written and composed by lead vocalist Bart Millard of the band MercyMe, are as follows:~~

~~"I can only imagine what it will be like~~

~~When I walk by your side
I can only imagine what my eyes will see
When your face is before me
I can only imagine
Surrounded by your glory, what will my heart feel
Will I dance for you Jesus or in awe of you be still
Will I stand in your presence or to my knees will I fall
Will I sing hallelujah, will I be able to speak at all
I can only imagine
I can only imagine
I can only imagine when that day comes
And I find myself standing in the Son
I can only imagine when all I will do
Is forever, forever worship You
I can only imagine
I can only imagine."~~

Section 7. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-516

By: McCumber (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to schools; providing short title; repealing 70 O.S. §11-103.11; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Religious Freedom of Education” Act of 2023.

Section 2. REPEALER 70 O.S. §11-103.11 is hereby repealed:

- ~~A. A school district may offer to students in grade nine or above:
 - ~~a. An elective course on the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) and its impact and an elective course on the New Testament and its impact; or~~
 - ~~b. an elective course that combines the courses described in paragraph 1 of this subsection.~~~~
- ~~B. The purposes of courses authorized by this section are to:
 - ~~a. Teach students knowledge of biblical content, characters, poetry, and narratives that are prerequisites to understanding contemporary society and culture, including literature, art, music, mores, oratory, and public policy; and~~
 - ~~b. Familiarize students with, as applicable:
 - ~~i. The contents of the Hebrew Scriptures or New Testament;~~
 - ~~ii. The history of the Hebrew Scriptures or New Testament~~
 - ~~iii. The literary style and structure of the Hebrew Scriptures or New Testament, and~~
 - ~~iv. The influence of the Hebrew Scriptures or New Testament on law, history, government, literature, art, music, customs, morals, values, and culture.~~~~~~
- ~~C. The Bible shall be the primary text of the course and may be supplemented with additional resources. The primary text for the course will be a parallel translation Bible or multi-translation Bible that uses more than one translation for side-by-side comparison chosen by the school district. However, a student may not be required to use a specific translation as the sole text of the Hebrew~~

~~Scriptures or New Testament and may use as the basic textbook a different translation of the Hebrew Scriptures or New Testament from that chosen by the district board of education or the student's teacher.~~

~~D. A course offered pursuant to this section shall follow applicable law and all federal and state guidelines in maintaining religious neutrality and accommodating the diverse religious views, traditions, and perspectives of students in the school district. A course offered pursuant to this section shall not endorse, favor, or promote, or disfavor or show hostility toward, any particular religion or nonreligious faith or religious perspective. Nothing in this section is intended to violate any provision of the United States Constitution or federal law, the Oklahoma Constitution or any state law, or any rules or guidelines provided by the United States Department of Education or the State Department of Education.~~

~~E. A teacher of a course offered pursuant to this section must be certified to teach social studies or literature.~~

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-517

By: McPherson (OU)
Elbow (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to infrastructure; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for funding; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Expanding Infrastructure for a Better Oklahoma” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act.
1. “Infrastructure” refers to the basic physical and organizational structures and facilities (e.g. buildings, roads, power supplies) needed for the operation of a society or enterprise.
 2. “High Speed Rail System” refers to a type of rail system that runs significantly faster than traditional rail, using an integrated system of specialized rolling stock and dedicated tracks that create rail lines built to handle speeds above one hundred fifty-five (155) miles per hour (mph).
 3. “Green Energy” Green energy is energy that can be produced using a method, and from a source, that causes no harm to the natural environment.
 4. “Local Contractor” a labor contractor originating within the state of Oklahoma.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation will begin constructing a high speed rail system directly connecting Oklahoma City and Tulsa.
 2. The Rail system will not connect any other cities along the route as it is meant to only connect the two cities in a way in which fast tracks the commute between the two cities.
 3. The rail system will be constructed primarily using green energy and will be constructed in a way which does minimal harm to the surrounding ecosystem.

- a. This will be done by having the route follow that of the existing highway system along I44.
4. The rail system, and subsequently other infrastructure projects being funded by this bill after rail system construction, will only employ local contractors and employees.
5. The rail system will utilize a student job training and internship program.
 - a. This will be a paid job program which will guarantee employment to participants post graduation.
6. The Ticket cost shall be a price no lower than two (2) dollars for a day pass and not exceeding six (6) dollars.
 - a. This will be determined by the department of transportation after development of the rail and a cost analysis has been completed by the department of transportation.
7. The rail system should be completed by the end of December 2028.

Section 4. FUNDING

1. The following resolution will pull from existing infrastructure funding via federal infrastructure grants in order to pay for initial costs.
 - a. This amount should exceed no more than one (1) billion dollars of federal infrastructure funding.
2. Additional costs and maintenance will be paid for via a one (1) cent state-wide sales tax.
 - a. This sales tax will solely be used for infrastructure development, any additional funds collected beyond the needs of the rail system will go toward the upkeep and construction of other infrastructure improvements and beautification efforts handled by the Oklahoma department of transportation (I.E. bridges, roads, public highways, bus and bike lanes, etc.)
 - b. This sales tax will stay in effect permanently after the construction of the rail system to fund upkeep and to fund other infrastructure projects.
 - c. All funding from the sales tax will go to the Oklahoma department of Transportation which will handle dispersion of funds to other projects after the development of the rail system.

Section 5. This act shall be effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-518

By: McPherson (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to protected classes; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Expansion of Protected Class Identification” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose of this act.
1. “Protected Class” Protected Class are classes in which are protected from discrimination by law in various areas including but not limited to employment, housing, public accommodations, etc.
 2. “Gender Identity” Gender identity is the personal sense of one's own gender. Gender identity can correlate with a person's assigned sex or can differ from it. Gender identity for the purposes of this legislative act will encompass any and all gender identities including those differing from an individual's assigned sex.
 3. “Assigned sex” Assigned sex is the biological determinant of an individual's sex and is separate from an individual's gender.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. The state of Oklahoma shall recognize gender identity as a protected class.
 2. Henceforth all nondiscrimination legislation and legislation regarding protected classes shall include gender identity.
- Section 4. This act shall be effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.
- Section 5. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason

whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-519

By: McPherson(OU)
Ward (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to marriage equality; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Animal Companion Marriage Equality” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Animal Companion: Any canine, Feline, equestrian or Avian companion.

Section 3 NEW LAW A New law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Marriage rights shall be expanded to canine, feline, equestrian, or avian companions in the State of Oklahoma with a valid marriage certificate.
 - a. No one shall discriminate against or hinder a canine, feline, equestrian, or avian companions’ right to be married.
 - b. No fees will be charged to marriage involving two canine, feline, equestrian or avian companions.
 - c. This act covers gay, lesbian, and straight same species animal marriage.
2. Any married animal in the custody of any city, county, or state animal control authority or releasing agency shall be exempt from spaying and neutering pursuant to 4 Ch. 14A § 499.
3. Any married animal in the custody of any city, county, or state animal control authority or animal shelter shall not be denied by any official the privilege of a scheduled conjugal visit.
 - a. Participants are allowed to bring only a minimum amount of personal property as necessary for the duration of the visit including personal toys and items of personal necessity, including treats and cute outfits. Please

Note: the facility shall provide kibble, pillows, blankets, bed linens, towels, and condoms.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Anyone who refuses to marry two animal companions will face up to and no more than a fine of five hundred (\$500) dollars and or three (3) weeks jail time.
2. Any owner found guilty of infringing upon animal companionship shall be faced with the charges equivalent to that of animal cruelty and mistreatment.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-520

By: Miranda (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to pay transparency; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for exceptions; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Know Your Worth” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Job posting” refers to the advertisement of an available position(s) in a workplace. The advertisement can be done through emails, posters, flyers, websites, and social media platforms.
2. “Good faith” refers to dealing with honest and fair intentions.
3. “Open-ended range” refers to the lack of a clear pay limit.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Job postings must disclose the following information:
 - a. The minimum and maximum salary pay or hourly wage that an employer is willing to pay for the job position.
 - b. The minimum and maximum commission rate for the job, if applicable.
 - c. The benefits provided by the employer
2. Job postings must follow these new regulations if:
 - a. The employee must work physically in Oklahoma or
 - b. The employee works remotely, but reports to a supervisor, an office, or work site located in Oklahoma.

Section 4. EXCEPTIONS

1. Businesses with three (3) or less employees are permitted to forgo these new regulations.
2. Employers are allowed to post a fixed rate salary or hourly pay as long as the pay rate is direct and not an open-ended range.
3. Employers are allowed to go beyond their listed pay, benefits, and/or commission rates if they are dealing in good faith with the applicant.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. An employer found to be in violation will be given a single warning and three (3) business days to update their job posting or take down the original job posting and replace it with a new one.
 - a. Failure to comply will result in a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
2. An employer found to be in violation a second time will be given a fine of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) and must take down the original job posting within five (5) business days.
 - a. Failure to comply will result in an additional fine of three thousand dollars (\$3,000).
3. An employer found to be in violation a third time will be given a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and must take down the original job posting within three (3) business days.
 - a. Failure to comply will result in an additional fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000).
4. Further repeated violations will result in a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) that will repeat for every three (3) business days

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-521

By: Patel (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Section eight (8) vouchers; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Section eight (8) Discrimination” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Section eight (8) Vouchers: Funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which provides monthly rental assistance to low-income families across the State of Oklahoma; funds to bridge the gap for person(s) who come short on monthly rent.
2. Discrimination: The unjust or prejudicial treatment of different categories of people, especially on the grounds of ethnicity, age, sex, or disability.
3. Fair Housing Act: The Fair Housing Act protects people from discrimination when they are renting or buying a home, getting a mortgage, seeking housing assistance, or engaging in other housing-related activities.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It shall be an unlawful discriminatory housing practice for any person, or any agent or employee of such a person to refuse housing on the basis of HUD provided vouchers.
 - a. Discriminatory complaints shall be viewed and processed for investigation by the department within thirty (30) days of acquisition.
 - b. Landlords shall receive notice for the need to cooperate with a HUD investigation as soon as the complaint has been proceeded; landlords shall also provide applicable proof for the refusal of leasing.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Failure to comply with a HUD investigation can result in a fine of up to eight hundred dollars (\$800) or restraintment.
2. If a HUD investigation determines that an individual has refused housing on the basis of a Section eight (8) Voucher, it may result in a fine up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).
3. If an individual commits a second or greater violation within a ten (10) year time span, it may result in a fine of up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-522

By: Perez (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to state mourning; providing short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Mourning Time” Act of 2023.”
- Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. An official statewide period of mourning shall be observed following the deaths of several individuals.
 2. During such a period, all flags flown on State lands shall be flown at half staff.
 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed as to prevent private individuals from observing personal mourning periods and flying their personal flags at half staff.
 4. The length of official periods of mourning shall be as follows:
 - a. Ninety (90) days:
 - i. Sitting President of the United States of America
 - b. Sixty (60) days:
 - i. Sitting Vice-President of the United States of America
 - ii. Sitting Governor of the State of Oklahoma
 - c. Forty-five (45) days:
 - i. Sitting Speaker of the United States House of Representatives
 - ii. Sitting Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court
 - iii. Former President of the United States of America
 - iv. Former Vice-President of the United States of America
 - v. Current or former spouse of a President or Vice-President of the United States of America
 - d. Thirty (30) days:
 - i. Sitting United States Cabinet member
 - ii. Former Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court

- iii. Sitting or former Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court
- iv. Sitting President pro tempore of the United States Senate
- e. Twenty-one (21) days:
 - i. Sitting member of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Oklahoma
 - ii. Sitting United States Senator from the State of Oklahoma
- f. Fourteen (14) days:
 - i. Former member of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Oklahoma
 - ii. Former United States Senator from the State of Oklahoma
 - iii. Former Governor of the State of Oklahoma
 - iv. Sitting Lieutenant Governor of the State of Oklahoma
- g. Seven (7) days:
 - i. Sitting mayor of a city in the State of Oklahoma
 - ii. Sitting member of the United States House of Representatives
 - iii. Sitting United States Senator
 - iv. Sitting Justice on the Oklahoma Supreme Court
 - v. Sitting Oklahoma Cabinet member
- h. Three (3) days:
 - i. Sitting member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives
 - ii. Sitting Oklahoma State Senator
 - iii. Former Justice on the Oklahoma Supreme Court
- i. One (1) day:
 - i. Former Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives
 - ii. Former President pro tempore of the Oklahoma Senate
 - iii. Any other sitting individual elected to state-wide office in the State of Oklahoma

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-523

By: Perez of the House (OU)
Hutchins of the House (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to sleeping on the job; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Paid Time Nap” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Paid Time Nap (PTN)” refers to a period of time that an employee is paid to nap during work.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. Individuals are allotted a PTN of twenty (20) minutes a day.
 - a. This requirement will not interfere with any disability accommodations.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any employer found in violation of this law is not allowed to go to sleep for a full twenty-four (24) hours.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-524

By: Perez of the House (OU)
Patel of the House (OU)
Gribbin of the House (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to certain supernatural creatures; providing short title; providing definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Twilight” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Vampire” shall be recognized as an immortal being that requires the vital essence of the living.
2. “Werewolf” shall be recognized as an individual that can shapeshift into a wolf, either purposely or after being placed under a curse or affliction with the transformations occurring on the night of a full moon.

Section 3. NEW LAW. A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

1. Vampires and werewolves shall be able to own property and retain the property of their former selves.
2. Vampires and werewolves shall have the right to own and operate businesses.
3. Vampires and werewolves shall have the right to marry.
4. Vampires and werewolves shall have the right to retain all of their civil rights endowed to all other citizens by the Oklahoma State Constitution.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety days (90 days) upon passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-525

By: Perez (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to game and fish; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Get HIM!” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Big Foot: A large and hairy human-like mythical creature purported to inhabit forests.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall promulgate rules establishing a big foot hunting season. The Commission shall set annual season dates and create any necessary specific hunting licenses and fees.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-526

By: Ripley (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating prisoner debt; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Kicking Back on Prison Fines” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITION The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

1. Kickbacks: a commission paid by a service provider to the contracting government agency.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. With regards to prison institutions, kickbacks will be banned in order to reduce the amount of debt incurred by prisoners.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any privately owned institution or facility found to violate Section 3 of this bill will be fined five thousand dollars (\$5000) for every day they continue to be in violation of this statute.
2. Any state-ran institution or facility found to violate Section 3 of this bill will be given three (3) month’s notice to amend its shortfalls before losing any licensing or accreditation necessary to operate such institution or facility.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-527

By: Schonfield (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Minimum Wage Law; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 40 O.S. § 160; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Localized Minimum Wage” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. Wages - compensation owed by an employer to an employee for labor or services rendered including salaries, commissions, holiday and vacation pay, overtime pay, severance or dismissal pay, bonuses and other similar advantages agreed upon between the employer and the employee, which are earned and due, or provided by the employer to his or her employees in an established policy, whether the amount is determined on a time, task, piece, commission or other basis of calculation.
2. City - a municipality that has been incorporated as a city in accordance with the laws of this state.
3. "Governing body" or "municipal governing body" - the city council of a city, the board of trustees of a town, or the legislative body of a municipality, as it may be defined by applicable law or charter provision.
4. Mayor - the official head of the municipal government as defined by applicable law or charter provision. The mayor is the presiding officer of the governing body in all statutory forms of municipal government and is the chief executive officer in cities having the statutory aldermanic and statutory strong-mayor-council forms of city government.
5. Municipality - any incorporated city or town.
6. “Officer or Official” - any person who is elected to an office in municipal government or is appointed to fill an unexpired term of an elected office, and the clerk and the treasurer whether elected or appointed. When "officer" or "official" is modified by a term that refers to a personnel position or duty, the

holder of the position or duty is not an officer or official of the municipality for any purpose.

7. Ordinance - a formal legislative act of a municipal governing body that has the force and effect of a continuing regulation and a permanent rule of conduct or government for the municipality.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 40 O.S. § 160 is amended to read as follows:

As a matter of public policy and due to an overriding state interest, the Legislature hereby occupies and preempts the entire field of legislation in this state touching in any way mandated ~~minimum wage and~~ employee benefits regarding mandatory minimum number of vacation or sick leave days. Notwithstanding any exemption from state statutes previously allowed for certain municipalities pursuant to Section 1-101 of Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes, no municipality or other political subdivision of this state shall establish a mandatory minimum number of vacation or sick leave days, whether paid or unpaid, ~~or a minimum wage rate which an employer would be required to pay or grant employees.~~ Any existing or future ordinances, orders or regulations in this field, except as may be specifically provided in this section, are null and void.

The provisions of this section shall not affect the minimum number of vacation or sick leave days, whether paid or unpaid, authorized by a municipality for its employees as a benefit of employment.

Section 4. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It is the role of municipal governing bodies to create minimum wage ordinances as they consider necessary.
2. Municipal governing bodies must conduct a cost of living review every year ending with a zero (0); its completion is required six (6) months following the release of the U.S. Census data collected that year.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Any municipality found to be in violation of Section 4. Subsection 2. of this bill will be subject to a one thousand dollar (\$1000) fine, which will be made payable to Jacob Dwain Schonfield, for each day it is found to be in violation.

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-528

By: Schonfield (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to voting; providing short title; providing for definitions; repealing 26 O.S. §1-101 - §1-105; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “The People’s Choice” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

1. “Ranked Choice Voting” A voting system in which voters rank candidates in a sequence of first, second, third, and so on, on their respective ballots. Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) allows each voter to rank multiple candidates for the same office on a ballot in order of preference rather than making a single choice. After the ballots in an RCV election have been counted, if a candidate is a majority of the electorate’s first choice, that candidate is the winner. If no first-choice candidate receives a majority, the candidate with the fewest first-choice ballots is eliminated, and the ballots of the eliminated candidate are counted for their second-choice candidates. This process is repeated, with the candidate receiving the fewest votes eliminated, until a candidate receives a majority of the votes.

Section 3. REPEALING 26 O.S. §1-101 - §1-105

~~§26-1-101. General elections. On the first Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November, 1976, and every four (4) years thereafter, a General Election shall be held, at which time electors for President and Vice President shall be elected. On said date, and every two (2) years thereafter, United States Senators and United States Representatives, whose terms expire before the next succeeding General Election, and state, district and county officers, whose terms expire before the next succeeding General Election, shall be elected. No county, municipality or school district shall schedule an election on any date during the~~

~~twenty (20) days immediately preceding the date of any such General Election. Laws 1974, c. 153, § 1-101, operative Jan. 1, 1975; Laws 1977, c. 134, § 1.~~

~~§26-1-102. Primary elections. A Primary Election shall be held on the last Tuesday in June of each even-numbered year, at which time each political party recognized by the laws of Oklahoma shall nominate its candidates for the offices to be filled at the next succeeding General Election, unless otherwise provided by law. No candidate's name shall be printed upon the General Election ballot unless such candidate shall have been nominated as herein provided, unless otherwise provided by law; provided further that this provision shall not exclude the right of a nonpartisan candidate to have his or her name printed upon the General Election ballots. No county, municipality or school district shall schedule an election on any date during the twenty (20) days immediately preceding the date of any such primary election. Added by Laws 1974, c. 153, § 1-102, operative Jan. 1, 1975. Amended by Laws 1977, c. 134, § 2; Laws 2003, c. 162, § 2; Laws 2011, c. 196, § 2, eff. Nov. 1, 2011.~~

~~§26-1-103. Runoff primary election. If at any Primary Election no candidate for the nomination for office of any political party receives a majority of all votes cast for all candidates of such party for the office, no candidate shall be nominated by such party for the office, but the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes at such election shall be placed on the official ballot as candidates for such nomination at a Runoff Primary Election to be held on the fourth Tuesday of August in the same year. No county, municipality or school district shall schedule an election on any date during the twenty (20) days immediately preceding the date of any such Runoff Primary Election. Added by Laws 1974, c. 153, § 1-103, operative Jan. 1, 1975. Amended by Laws 1977, c. 134, § 2; Laws 2003, c. 162, § 3.~~

~~§26-1-104. Closed primaries - Independent voters. A. No registered voter shall be permitted to vote in any Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of any political party except the political party of which his registration form shows him to be a member, except as otherwise provided by this section. B. 1. A recognized political party may permit registered voters designated as Independents pursuant to the provisions of Section 4112 of this title to vote in a Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of the party. 2. The state chairman of the party shall, between November 1 and 30 of every odd-numbered year, notify the Secretary of the State Election Board as to whether or not the party intends to permit registered voters designated as Independents to vote in a Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of the party. If the state chairman notifies the Secretary of the~~

~~State Election Board of the party's intention to so permit, registered voters designated as Independents shall be permitted to vote in any Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of the party held in the following two (2) calendar years. If the state chairman of one party notifies the Secretary of the State Election Board of the party's intent to so permit, the notification period specified in this paragraph shall be extended to December 15 for the state chairman of any other party to so notify or to change prior notification. A registered voter designated as Independent shall not be permitted to vote in a Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of more than one party.3. Failure to so notify the Secretary of the State Election Board shall serve to prohibit registered voters designated as Independents from voting in a Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of the party. 4. A group of persons seeking to form a recognized political party pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-108 of this title shall, upon filing of the petitions seeking recognition of the political party with the Secretary of the State Election Board, notify the Secretary of the State Election Board as to whether or not the party intends to permit registered voters designated as Independents to vote in a Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of the party. If the party is recognized and the group of persons seeking recognition of the party notifies the Secretary of the State Election Board of such intention, registered voters designated as Independents shall be permitted to vote in any Primary Election or Runoff Primary Election of the party held prior to January 1 of the following even-numbered year. Added by Laws 1974, c. 153, § 1-104, eff. Jan. 1, 1975. Amended by Amended by Laws 1987, c. 72, § 1, eff. Nov. 1, 1987.~~

~~§26-1-105. Substitute candidates. A. In the event of the death of a political party's nominee for office prior to the date of the General Election, or in the event that a deceased person receives a political party's nomination for office, a substitute candidate will be permitted to have his or her name placed on the General Election ballot as follows: 1. If the nominee was a candidate for county office, the political party's central committee of the county shall notify the secretary of the county election board of the name of an alternative candidate to be placed on the General Election ballot. Such notice shall be submitted in writing, within fifteen (15) days after the death has occurred, but not later than five o'clock p.m. on the Friday following the date of the Runoff Primary Election, and shall be signed by at least two duly authorized members of the political party's county central committee. If a political party's central committee fails to submit the notice in the manner described, then a nominee for that party shall not appear on the ballot for that office; 2. If the nominee was a candidate who filed a Declaration of Candidacy with the State Election Board, the state central committee of the party affected shall notify the Secretary of the State Election~~

~~Board of the name of an alternative candidate to be placed on the General Election ballot. Such notice shall be submitted in writing, within fifteen (15) days after the death has occurred, but not later than five o'clock p.m. on the Friday following the date of the Runoff Primary Election, and shall be signed by at least two duly authorized members of the political party's state central committee. If a political party's central committee fails to submit the notice in the manner described, then a nominee for that party shall not appear on the ballot for that office; and 3. Provided, if the death of a political party's nominee for an office described in paragraph 1 or 2 of this subsection should occur after the Friday following the date of the Runoff Primary Election, then the election shall proceed with the deceased candidate's name printed on the ballot. B. In the event of the death of an independent candidate for an office described in paragraph 1 or 2 of subsection A of this section, the following procedure shall apply: 1. If the death occurs on or prior to the Friday following the date of the Runoff Primary Election, the candidate's name shall not be printed on the ballot; and 2. If the death occurs after the Friday following the date of the Runoff Primary Election, the candidate's name shall be printed on the ballot. C. In the event a deceased candidate is certified by the appropriate Election Board as having won an election, a vacancy in the office shall occur upon the date the candidate would have taken office, and the vacancy shall be filled in the manner prescribed by law. D. In the event of the death of a candidate who was unopposed for election, a Special Election shall be called by the Governor. The Special Election shall be conducted according to the laws governing such elections, Section 12-101 et seq. of this title. Added by Laws 1974, c. 153, § 1-105, operative Jan. 1, 1975. Amended by Laws 1983, c. 171, § 1, emerg. eff. June 6, 1983; Laws 1990, c. 190, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1990; Laws 2009, c. 221, § 1, eff. Nov. 1, 2009; Laws 2014, c. 69, § 1, eff. Jan. 1, 2015; Laws 2019, c. 127, § 1, eff. Nov. 1, 2019.~~

Section 4. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. The date(s) upon which the electors for President and Vice President shall be elected in this State shall be determined in accordance with 3 USC § 1.
2. The date(s) upon which this state's Senators to the U.S. Congress shall be elected in this State shall be determined in accordance with 2 USC § 1.
3. The date(s) upon which this state's Representatives to the U.S. Congress shall be elected in this State shall be determined in accordance with 2 USC § 7.
4. All elected positions mentioned in Section 4, Subsections 1, 2, and 3 shall be elected via Ranked Choice Voting.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-529

By: Sherer (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to criminal procedure; providing short title; amending 22 O.S. § 152; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Silence is Not an Option” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. § 152 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Prosecutions for the crimes of bribery, embezzlement of public money, bonds, securities, assets or property of the state or any county, school district, municipality or other subdivision thereof, or of any misappropriation of public money, bonds, securities, assets or property of the state or any county, school district, municipality or other subdivision thereof, falsification of public records of the state or any county, school district, municipality or other subdivision thereof, and conspiracy to defraud the State of Oklahoma or any county, school district, municipality or other subdivision thereof in any manner or for any purpose shall be commenced within seven (7) years after the discovery of the crime; provided, however, prosecutions for the crimes of embezzlement or Oklahoma Statutes - Title 22. Criminal Procedure Page 99 misappropriation of public money, bonds, securities, assets or property of any school district, including those relating to student activity funds, or the crime of falsification of public records of any independent school district, the crime of criminal conspiracy, the crime of embezzlement pursuant to Sections 1451 through 1461 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the crime of False Personation or Identity Theft pursuant to Sections 1531 through 1533.3 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult pursuant to Sections 843.1, 843.3 and 843.4 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or Medicaid fraud pursuant to Section 1005 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall be commenced within five (5) years after the discovery of the crime.
- B. Prosecutions for criminal violations of any state income tax laws shall be commenced within five (5) years after the commission of such violation.

- C. 1. Prosecutions for sexual crimes against children, specifically rape or forcible sodomy, sodomy, lewd or indecent proposals or acts against children, involving minors in pornography pursuant to Section 886, 888, 1111, 1111.1, 1113, 1114, 1021.2, 1021.3, 1040.12a or 1123 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, child abuse pursuant to Section 843.5 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and child trafficking pursuant to Section 866 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced by the forty-fifth birthday of the alleged victim. Prosecutions for such crimes committed against victims eighteen (18) years of age or older shall be commenced within ~~twelve (12)~~ twenty-five (25) years after the discovery of the crime.
2. However, prosecutions for the crimes listed in paragraph 1 of this subsection may be commenced at any time after the commission of the offense if:
- a. physical evidence is collected and preserved that is capable of being tested to obtain a profile from deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA), and
 - b. the identity of the offender is subsequently established through the use of a DNA profile using evidence listed in subparagraph a of this paragraph.
- A prosecution under this exception must be commenced within three (3) years from the date on which the identity of the suspect is established by DNA testing.
3. No prosecution under this subsection shall be based upon the memory of the victim that has been recovered through psychotherapy unless there is some evidence independent of such repressed memory.
4. Any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false claim pursuant to this subsection or a claim that the person knows lacks factual foundation may be reported to local law enforcement for criminal investigation and, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a felony.
- D. Prosecutions for criminal violations of any provision of the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code shall be commenced within three (3) years after the commission of such offense.
- E. Prosecutions for the crime of criminal fraud or workers' compensation fraud pursuant to Section 1541.1, 1541.2, 1662 or 1663 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall commence within three (3) years after the discovery of the crime, but in no event greater than seven (7) years after the commission of the crime.
- F. Prosecution for the crime of false or bogus check pursuant to Section 1541.1, 1541.2, 1541.3 or 1541.4 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced within five (5) years after the commission of such offense.

- G. Prosecution for the crime of solicitation for murder in the first degree pursuant to Section 701.16 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced within seven (7) years after the discovery of the crime. For purposes of this subsection, "discovery" means the date upon which the crime is made known to anyone other than a person involved in the solicitation.
- H. In all other cases a prosecution for a public offense must be commenced within three (3) years after its commission.
- I. Prosecution for the crime of accessory after the fact must be commenced within the same statute of limitations as that of the felony for which the person acted as an accessory.
- J. Prosecution for the crime of arson pursuant to Section 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404 or 1405 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced within seven (7) years after the commission of the crime.
- K. Prosecutions for criminal violations in which a deadly weapon is used to commit a felony or prosecutions for criminal violations in which a deadly weapon is used in an attempt to commit a felony shall be commenced within seven (7) years after the commission of the crime.
- L. Prosecutions for the crime of human trafficking pursuant to Section 748 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be commenced within three (3) years after discovery of the crime. For purposes of this subsection, "discovery" means the date upon which the crime is reported to a law enforcement agency.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. OU-530

By: Wright (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to urban mobility; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Oklahoma Urban Mobility” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITION The following term is to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

1. “Mixed-use development” means a building designed for more than one land use, containing any combination of retail, office, manufacturing, residential, and industrial or warehousing activity.
2. “Parking requirements” mean a form of land use regulation that intervenes to prescribe a specific amount of parking to be provided imposed by the government, with each form of development (retail, office, residential, and others) having its own distinct guidelines for mandatory parking requirements.
3. “Permit” means an official written statement allowing for exceptions in certain disclosed rules or privileges.
4. “Major Transit Spot” means a site containing an existing rail transit station, a ferry or street car terminal, or the presence of a bus stop with frequencies of service intervals of 30 (thirty) minutes or less during the morning and afternoon peak-commute periods.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. All municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are hereby not allowed to construct municipal ordinances which require developers, landowners, or otherwise head of mixed-use developments to tabulate separately each parking requirement for each use within the development.
2. All municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are hereby not allowed to construct municipal ordinances which require developers, landowners, or otherwise head of mixed-use developments to be barred from combining separate parking requirements to achieve a reduced parking requirement.

3. All municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are hereby not allowed to construct municipal ordinances which require developers, landowners, or otherwise head of mixed-use developments, whereupon the mixed-use development is converted to another use category, to recalculate parking requirements based on the new square footage figure.
4. All municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are hereby not allowed to construct municipal ordinances which require developers, landowners, or otherwise head of mixed-use developments involving manufacturing or industrial use with more than one working shift of employees to develop parking facilities to accommodate overlap requirements during transition periods.
5. Where a mixed-use development is proposed to be occupied by a use which can be demonstrated by the occupant to require less parking than the standards contained herein, all municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are compelled to evaluate the request in the appropriate department; and, the balance of land required by these regulations should the permit be granted shall not be mandated to be held in reserve as an unpaved or otherwise undeveloped area and be in the immediate control of the developers, landowners, or otherwise head of mixed-use development for expedient use.
6. All municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are compelled to grant a “housing density bonus” to all residential or mixed-use developments which include a certain percentage of affordable units at specific levels of affordability, depending on the area’s median income. In exchange, the municipality is compelled to grant an increase in the otherwise maximum allowable gross residential density and, if requested by the applicant, grant certain concessions, waivers, or modifications that allow the housing density bonus to be enacted, including the waiver or permit for modified parking requirements, height restrictions, or other related regulation.
7. All municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are compelled to suspend all parking requirements in developments approximately one-half mile from a Major Transit Spot.
8. Any new business constructed in the place of a previously existing business entity, so long as there is not an expansion of space, may, and all municipalities in the State of Oklahoma are compelled to permit, maintain the same amount of off-street parking as what was required of the previous tenant, provided that other provisions do not apply.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SE-501

By: A. Boner (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to police vehicles; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 47 O.S. § 12-218; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Restoring Police Visibility” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. High visibility colors shall be defined as orange, yellow, strong yellow green, or fluorescent versions of these colors as measured in compliance with the requirements of the Federal Highway Commission (FHWA) Color Tolerance Charts according to established procedures for color determination and specification including but not limited to the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) test method E1349 or any other standards defined under 23 CFR Part 655 Subpart F and its corresponding appendices.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 147 O.S. § 12-218 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Every authorized emergency vehicle shall, in addition to any other equipment and distinctive markings required by this title, be equipped with flashing red or blue lights or a combination of flashing red and blue lights. The lights shall be visible at five hundred (500) feet in normal sunlight .
- B. A law enforcement vehicle when used as an authorized emergency vehicle may but need not be equipped with alternately-flashing red or blue lights specified herein. ~~An unmarked~~ A vehicle used as a law enforcement vehicle for routine traffic enforcement shall be equipped with the following combination of lights and high visibility colors:
1. Three flashing red, blue, or a combination of red and blue lights emitting the flashing lights to the front of the vehicle;
 2. Two flashing white lights emitting the flashing white lights to the front of the vehicle;

3. Flashing red, blue, white or any combination of red, blue or white lights placed at and emitting the flashing lights from the four corners of the vehicle so that they are visible for three hundred sixty (360) degrees; and
 4. One flashing red, blue, amber, or any combination of red, blue, or amber lights emitting the flashing light to the rear of the vehicle.
 5. Two flashing red and blue lights permanently mounted to the external roof of the vehicle.
 6. High visibility colors shall cover not less than fifty percent (50%) of the total visible surface of the vehicle when viewed from the front, above, and either side. High visibility colors shall be patterned in either stripes not less than fourteen inches (14) wide alternating with the base color of the vehicle, or squares not less than fourteen inches (14) per side alternating with the base color of the vehicle.
 7. The ~~word "Police"~~ name of the law enforcement agency shall be added to either side of the vehicle in lettering visible at five hundred (500) feet in normal sunlight.
- C. The use of the signal equipment described herein shall impose upon drivers of other vehicles the obligation to yield right-of-way and stop for authorized emergency vehicles, as prescribed in Section 11-405 of this title.

Section 4. These standards shall apply to vehicles purchased or leased by departments upon the passage of this bill. Existing patrol vehicles may continue to be used until December 31, 2029. As of January 1, 2030, all patrol vehicles must meet these standards.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SE-502

By: Baughman (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to fertility fraud; providing short title; providing definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Protecting Patients” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. “Fertility fraud” means the failure of a person(s) to acquire consent from a patient being treated for infertility before intentionally having the patient fertilized with any person’s spermatozoon or ovum other than the spermatozoon or ovum that the patient provided informed written consent to being treated with.
- B. “Administrative leave pending investigation” means an indefinite period of time in which an employee is provided time off from work with full pay and any other contracted benefits until the investigation into the employees’ potential misconduct has been concluded.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person as defined by 63 O.S. § 2-101 to knowingly engage in any act(s) of fertility fraud.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person(s) to neglect to report fertility fraud to the municipal police department or sheriff’s office in the city or county in which the suspected act(s) of fertility fraud occurred.
- C. It shall be the responsibility of the municipal police department or sheriff’s office to provide all reports of fertility fraud to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI). Failure to do so within thirty (30) days of receiving the report shall result in a departmental fine of one-thousand dollars (\$1,000).

- D. Any acts which inadvertently aid in the commission of fertility fraud which are congruent with the person's assigned tasks as a health care provider as defined by 63 O.S. § 1-1708.1C shall not be considered unlawful so long as the aid is not provided knowingly and with the intention of actively assisting any person(s) engaging in fertility fraud.
- E. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) shall investigate any report that a person(s) reported to have engaged in fertility fraud, neglected to report fertility fraud, or acted as an accessory to a party engaging in fertility fraud.
 - a. During the course of the investigation exercised by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI), any person(s) who have been reported shall be placed on administrative leave pending investigation.
- F. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 503 it shall be the responsibility of the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision to revoke the medical license or health care certification of any person(s) convicted of being in violation with this act within ninety (90) days after their conviction.
- G. In the event the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure fails to revoke the medical license or health care certification of any person(s) convicted of being in violation with this act within one-hundred and eighty (180) days of their conviction, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) shall conduct an investigation to determine the cause for the delay, and if person(s) within the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision took intentional actions to delay the process of revoking a person(s) medical license or health care certification.
- H. Throughout the duration of any investigation to determine whether person(s) within the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure deliberately took actions to avoid revoking the suspected or convicted person(s) license or certification, all suspected persons shall be placed on administrative leave pending investigation.
- I. During the course of an investigation upon the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision interim appointments may be made from a list of nominees provided by the Oklahoma State Medical association and selected by the Governor pursuant to 59 O.S. § 482. In the event the suspected person(s) within the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision are convicted, the interim appointments made by the Governor shall remain in effect.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any person(s) convicted of engaging in fertility fraud or knowingly had their reproductive materials used to commit fertility fraud shall be subject to the following:
- a. Imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not less than one (1) year nor more than fifteen (15) years pursuant to 21 O.S. § 1116.
 - b. Becoming registered as a sex offender within the Oklahoma Sex Offender Registry.
 - c. Paying child support to the person they victimized through fertility fraud in accordance with 10A O.S. § 1-4-702.
 - i. Whether or not the individual fertilized the parent with their own reproductive materials, or another person's reproductive material shall have no bearing on whether or not the convicted person shall be compelled to pay child support.
 - d. Having their medical license or health care certification revoked by the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision within one-hundred and eighty (180) days after their conviction.
 - i. After a license has been revoked by the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision following the conviction of engaging in fertility fraud, the convicted party will not be granted a new medical license or health care certification of any kind thereafter.
- B. Any person(s) convicted of being an accessory as defined by 21 O.S. § 173 to an act in violation with this statute or neglecting to report a person engaging in fertility fraud shall be subject to the following:
- a. Serving a sentence with a minimum of six (6) months imprisonment not exceeding a duration of seven (7) years and six (6) months imprisonment.
 - b. If applicable, the convicted person(s) shall have their medical license or health care certification revoked by the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision within one-hundred and eighty (180) days after their conviction.
 - i. After a license has been revoked by the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure following the conviction of being an accessory to an act in violation with this statute or neglecting to report party(s) engaging in fertility fraud, the guilty person(s) will not be granted a new medical license or health care certification thereafter.
- C. Any member of the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision convicted of counteracting this act through undue delays, refusing to revoke the license or certification of the guilty party, or intentionally engaging in any

other deliberate act which could be reasonably construed to impede the intent of this legislation shall be subject to the following:

- a. Permanent removal from their position within the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision without the possibility of becoming employed or affiliated with the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision in any capacity thereafter.
- b. Having their medical license or health care certification revoked by the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision within ninety (90) days after their conviction.
 - i. After conviction, any former member of the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision convicted of counteracting this act through undue delays, refusing to revoke the license or certification of the guilty party(s), or intentionally engaging in any other act which could be reasonably construed to impede the intent of this legislation shall not be granted a new medical license or health care certification of any kind thereafter.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days following its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SE-503

By: Baughman (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Christmas Spirit; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 10 O.S. § 361; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Santa Isn’t Real” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. Christmas paraphernalia means Christmas Trees, Mistletoe, Holly, Snowmen, Christmas lights, presents in christmas themed wrapping paper, frankincense. Murr, candy canes, gingerbread in any form, popcorn on a string, all Santa themed attire or any other thing which could be reasonably construed to be perpetuating, adopting, or referencing the essence of Christmas spirit.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- A. It shall be unlawful for any party to possess, distribute, or fail to report Christmas paraphernalia.
 - B. It shall be the responsibility of law enforcement in the individual county or district to burn all Christmas paraphernalia upon discovery.
 - C. In the event that the discovered Christmas paraphernalia is within the jurisdiction of a burn ban, the prohibited items shall be seized and burned upon the cessation of the burn ban.
- Section 4. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. § 361 is amended to read as follows.
- A. There is hereby created a commission to be known as the ~~Santa Claus~~ Krampus Commission. The Commission shall consist of ~~three (3) members to be appointed by the Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs~~ the

Student Body President of Southeastern Oklahoma State University who served during the term of the one-hundred and third (103rd) legislature at Southeastern Oklahoma State University. The ~~Santa Claus~~ Krampus Commission shall have authority to provide or purchase, in accordance with the procedures in the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, a ~~Christmas present~~ lump of coal for every child who is in the custody of the state residing in a child care institution of the Department of Human Services or the Office of Juvenile Affairs, a licensed child care institution or a group home or foster home, supported in whole or in part by the state, as defined by the Department of Human Services or the Office of Juvenile Affairs, who would not otherwise receive a present or lump of coal.

Section 5. PENALTIES

- A. Any person found to be in violation with this act shall be subject to ten (10) hours of imprisonment. During the term of imprisonment, the convicted person(s) shall be subject to the following:
- a. watching other individuals open presents while they are forced to repeatedly pull a lump of coal out of a stocking.
 - b. listening to young children play christmas carols via recorders as loudly as they can.

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days following its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SE-504

By: McLemore (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to motorcycles; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 47 O.S. § 11-1103; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Motorcycle Traffic Safety” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Lane splitting: the act of driving a motorcycle between two (2) slow moving or stopped lanes of traffic traveling in the same direction.
- B. Motorcycle, as defined by 47 O.S. §1-135, is any vehicle having:
 - a. A seat or saddle for the use of each rider;
 - b. Not more than three (3) wheels in contact with the ground, but excluding a tractor; and
 - c. A combustion engine with a piston or rotor displacement of one hundred fifty (150) cubic centimeters (cc) or greater.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 11-1103 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- A. No person under the age of sixteen (16) years shall drive a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, motorized scooter, motorized bicycle, or an electric-assisted bicycle on any highway of this state while transporting any other person.
- B. The operator of a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, motorized scooter, motorized bicycle, or electric-assisted bicycle who has attained the age of sixteen (16) years or older may carry a passenger if the vehicle has a wheel diameter of twelve (12) inches or greater and is factory-designed and equipped with either:
 - a. A double seating device with double foot rests; or

- b. A sidecar attachment providing a separate seat space within such sidecar attachment for each person riding therein so that such person shall be seated entirely within the body of said sidecar.
- C. No rider of a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, motorized scooter, motorized bicycle, or electric-assisted bicycle shall hold to any moving vehicle for the purpose of being propelled.
- D. No driver of a ~~motorcycle~~, motor-driven cycle, motorized scooter, motorized bicycle, or electric-assisted bicycle shall pass other vehicles between lanes of traffic traveling in the same direction.
- E. A driver of a motorcycle shall pass other vehicles between lanes of traffic traveling in the same direction:
 - a. When traffic is traveling at speeds thirty (30) miles-per-hour (mph) or less.
 - b. The speed difference exceeds no more than ten (10) mph.

Section 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. No driver of any motor vehicle shall impede or intentionally block a rider on a motorcycle from lane splitting.

Section 5. PENALTIES

- A. Any driver of a motorcycle to be found in violation of Section 3 Subsection E of this act shall face fines pursuant to Section G of 47 O.S. § 11-801.
- B. Any driver of any motor vehicle who impedes a rider or intentionally blocks a rider of a motorcycle from lane splitting shall face a citation not less than twenty (20) dollars but no more than five hundred (500) dollars.
- C. Any driver that causes physical damages to a rider or their motor vehicle by impeding or intentionally blocking a rider from lane splitting shall be fined an amount equal to the total cost of the damages.

Section 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SE-505

By: McLemore (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to law enforcement vehicles; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Law Enforcement Vehicle Enhancement” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:

- A. Bullet-resistant glass: a transparent material engineered to resist the impact of bullets and other projectiles which has been certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory to possess the ability to prevent:
 - a. Complete penetration by a bullet or bullet fragment
 - b. Spalling or fragmentation of the protective material that could cause injury to a person standing directly behind the bullet resistant barrier.
- B. Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL): an independent organization that certifies products for the U.S. market and is recognized by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) under Federal Code 29 CFR 1910.7 for products to be used in United States workplaces.
- C. Underwriter’s Laboratory (UL) Rating System:
 - a. Level One (1): Refers to bullet resistant glass able to withstand fire from small caliber handguns. It must be able to resist a minimum of three (3) nine millimeter (9mm) full-metal jacket (FMJ) rounds traveling at a minimum velocity of one thousand one hundred seventy-five (1,175) feet per second (f/s).
 - b. Level Two (2): Defines bullet resistant glass designed to withstand fire from larger caliber handguns. It must withstand at least three (3) shots of point three-hundred fifty-seventh (.357) magnum soft points traveling at a velocity of one thousand two hundred fifty (1,250) f/s.
 - c. Level Three (3): Refers to bullet resistant glass that can withstand a minimum of three (3) shots of point forty-fourth (.44) magnum rounds at a

velocity of one thousand three hundred fifty (1350) f/s.

- d. Level Four (4): Represents a step-up in terms of ballistics resistance. It defines bullet resistant glass that can withstand at least one (1) shot from a thirty (30) caliber rifle with a minimum velocity of two thousand five hundred forty (2540) f/s.
 - e. Level Five (5): Covers bulletproof glass designated to withstand at least one (1) seven point sixty-two millimeter (7.62mm) rifle FMJ with a velocity of at least two thousand seven hundred fifty (2750) f/s.
 - f. Level Six (6): Is a direct improvement on Level 1, designed to withstand at least five (5) nine millimeter (9mm) rounds traveling at an elevated minimum velocity of one thousand four hundred (1400) f/s.
 - g. Level Seven (7): Defines bullet resistant glass designed to withstand multiple hits with five point fifty-six (5.56) rifle FMJs with a minimum velocity of three thousand eighty (3080) f/s.
 - h. Level Eight (8): Designates the highest level of protection available in bullet resistant glass. This level is tested to withstand at least five (5) shots from a seven point sixty-two millimeter (7.62mm) rifle.
- D. US National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Standard: the US specification applicable to all ballistic resistant materials intended to provide protection against gunfire, with the exception of police body armor and ballistic helmets.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. The Department of Public Safety is hereby directed to ensure law enforcement vehicles hereafter purchased by the state or political subdivision thereof and which are intended to be operated by law enforcement agents in the discharge of their official duties are equipped with bullet-resistant glass.
- B. The Department of Public Safety is hereby directed to create an interdepartmental committee that will oversee the establishment and promulgation of a standard of bullet-resistant glass recognized by a NRTL.
 - a. The committee, in carrying out the directive as provided in section 3 sub-section B of this act, will follow a three-phase program with phases one (1) and two (2) not to exceed one (1) year in length:
 - i. Phase One (1): The committee will undergo research to determine the standard they deem effective for the purposes of this act as provided in section 3 sub-section A. Research must consist of:
 - 1. A selection of at least three (3) individual standards which includes, but is not limited to: the UL Rating System and NIJ Standard 0108.01.

2. An analysis comparing the projected costs of levels one through four (1-4) of the three (3) chosen standards, as well as the total time necessary to replace one-hundred (100) percent of law enforcement vehicles not currently equipped with bullet-resistant glass.
 - ii. Phase Two (2): The findings in phase one (1) are to be reported to the state legislature and be made known to the public through the Department of Public Safety's website within ninety (90) days.
 - iii. Phase Three (3): Installation will begin once the state legislature and Department of Public Safety have agreed on a budget, funds have been distributed by the state legislature, and after such time new law enforcement vehicles have been purchased.

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SE-506

By: Standridge (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to labor; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for exemptions; providing for penalties; providing for enforcement; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Workers Right to Rest” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Meal break” refers to a period in which employees are typically relieved of duties relating to one's job for the purpose of eating a meal.
 2. “Short break” refers to a break that is ten to twenty (10-20) minutes long and is typically for the act of resting.
 3. “Work period” refers to any established and regularly recurring period of work, that is worked by an employee.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. An employer must provide a thirty (30) minute period for each of their employees who works more than six (6) or more consecutive hours, for but not limited to eating a meal. If the work shift exceeds twelve (12) hours, a second meal break must be provided.
 - a. During this period, employees are to be temporarily freed from their required duties and it is to be an uninterrupted period.
 - b. If the work period is under six (6) hours, it is not required.
 - c. This period of time will not have to be paid by the employer.
 - d. Must be allowed after two (2) hours of consecutive work and one (1) hour prior to ending the shift.

2. An employer must provide at least one (1) break period of a minimum of ten (10) minutes every four (4) hours the employee works for the purpose of but not limited to, resting.
 - a. The short break(s) will be paid for by the employer.
 - b. Are not required if the work period is shorter than three and a half (3.5) hours.

Section 4. EXEMPTIONS This bill will not apply to:

1. Complying would threaten public safety. Such cases may be but are not limited to the possibility of injury or harm to an individual(s) or property.
2. Healthcare service providers, law enforcement, and firefighters given their essential service to the wellbeing of the public.
3. Situations where it is absolutely necessary for the continuation of the continuation of the business or operation, due to unusual or unintended circumstances.
4. Those who are self-employed.
5. Employers with fewer than fifteen (15) employees.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. An employer or entity who is in violation to any of the provisions in this bill shall be subject to but not limited to a fine that is at minimum of five-hundred (500) dollars, for each offense.

Section 6. ENFORCEMENT

It will be the responsibility of the Department of Labor to enforce this bill, that includes actions such as conducting investigations, being reported to of potential violations, and providing information for employees and employers relating to this bill.

- Section 7. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SE-507

By: Walker (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to cannabis odor; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for penalties; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Cannabis Odor Protection” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS for the purposes of this bill:

- A. “Probable Cause”— A reasonable belief based on specific facts and circumstances sufficient to warrant a reasonable person to believe that a person has committed, is committing, or will commit a particular crime, or that a place contains specific items connected with a crime
- B. “Reasonable Suspicion” — A carefully considered presumption, based on specific facts and circumstances which would lead any reasonably cautious person to conclude that a crime has been committed, that a person is probably involved in criminal activity
- C. “Traffic Stop” — Any instance where a law enforcement officer under the jurisdiction of the state of Oklahoma directs a person who is operating a motor vehicle of any type, that is traveling on any highway or street or other public way, to stop and the driver and/or passenger(s) are detained for any period of time.
- D. “Desk Duty” – The demotion of an officer which confines their responsibilities to confinement to police station premises, reduced pay grade, taking phone calls, organizing documents, or any other task generally associated with traditional office work.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

- A. No finding or determination of reasonable suspicion, nor probable cause to believe a crime has been committed shall be based solely on evidence of the

following facts and circumstances, either individually or in the combination with each other

1. The odor of cannabis
 2. The odor of burnt cannabis
 3. The possession or the suspicion of possession of cannabis or concentrated cannabis in the amounts permitted in Okla. Admin. Code § 310:681-2-8
- B. Section 3 part A paragraph 2, shall not apply when a law enforcement officer under the jurisdiction of the state of Oklahoma is investigating whether a person is operating a motor vehicle while impaired by drugs.
- C. A vehicle search may not be conducted by a law enforcement officer under the jurisdiction of the state of Oklahoma during a traffic stop, should the justification for said search violate Section 3 Part A.
- D. No search warrants pursuant to 21 OK Stat § 21-1266.8 shall be issued should the affidavit submitted by a law enforcement officer under the jurisdiction of the state of Oklahoma be in violation of Section 3 Part A.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Evidence obtained via a search warrant issued in violation Section 3 Part C will be deemed “not relevant” as contained in 12 OK Stat § 12-2402.
- B. Any Oklahoma state law enforcement officer under the jurisdiction of the state of Oklahoma found to be in violation of Section 3 Part C shall be subject to:
1. For the first violation, the officer will be required to complete ten (10) hours of community service
 2. For each subsequent violation, the community service requirement will increase by five (5) hours, not to exceed twenty-five (25) hours
 3. The officer will receive demotion to desk duty for four (4) weeks.
 4. For each subsequent violation, the desk duty demotion will be increased by two (2) weeks

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SWOSU-501

By: Gregory (SWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to streetlights; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Safer Streetlights” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. LED: a light emitting diode
 - B. Kelvin (K): the SI base unit of thermodynamic temperature used in lighting to measure the color temperature of a lightbulb
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- 1. All cities and counties must change their street lights from LED to a warm light that emits 3000k or less or to a wavelength of five hundred and ninety (590) nanometers.
- Section 4. PENALTIES
- 1. Any city or county found in violation of Section 3.1 by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall face a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500).
- Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. SWOSU-502

By: Gregory (SWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to physical education programs; providing short title; amending 70 O.S. §11-103.9(C); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Longer Recess” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. §11-103.9(C) is amended to read as follows:

C. The Board shall require, as a condition of accreditation, that public elementary schools provide to students in full-day kindergarten and grades one through five, in addition to the requirements set forth in subsection B of this section, an average of ~~sixty (60)~~ one hundred and fifty (150) minutes each week of physical activity, which may include, but not be limited to, physical education, exercise programs, fitness breaks, recess, and classroom activities, and wellness and nutrition education. Each school district board of education shall determine the specific activities and means of compliance with the provisions of this subsection, giving consideration to the recommendations of each school's Healthy and Fit School Advisory Committee as submitted to the school principal pursuant to the provisions of Section 24-100a of this title.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. TU-501

By: Hensley (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

A bill related to crime; providing short title; repealing 21 O.S. §861; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Women Are Not Without Political Power” Act of 2023.

Section 2. REPEALER 21 O.S. §861 is hereby repealed.

~~Every person who administers to any woman, or who prescribes for any woman, or advises or procures any woman to take any medicine, drug or substance, or uses or employs any instrument, or other means whatever, with intent thereby to procure the miscarriage of such woman, unless the same is necessary to preserve her life shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for not less than two (2) years nor more than five (5) years.~~

Section 3. This act shall take effect ninety (90) days after its passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. TU-502

Jolliff (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to education; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 70 O.S. §11-103.3; amending 25 O.S. §2003(A); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Mandatory Sex Education” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS: The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

1. "HIV" or "Human Immunodeficiency Virus," means a human retrovirus known to cause AIDS; and
2. "AIDS" or "Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome," means the final and most serious stage of HIV, causing damage to the immune system and includes a number of opportunistic infections which can result in death.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 11-103.3 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) prevention education and sexual health education shall be taught in the public schools of this state. ~~AIDS prevention education shall be limited to the discussion of the disease AIDS and its spread and prevention.~~ Students shall receive such education:
 1. at the option of the local school district, a minimum of once during the period from grade five through six;
 2. a minimum of once during the period from grade seven through nine; and
 3. a minimum of once during the period from grade ten through grade twelve, with heightened emphasis on modes of transmission, prevention methods, virology and relevant statistics.
- B. The State Department of Education shall develop curriculum and materials for AIDS prevention education in conjunction with the State Department of Health. A school district may also develop its own AIDS prevention education

curriculum and materials. Any curriculum and materials developed for use in the public schools shall be approved for medical accuracy by the State Department of Health. A school district may use any curriculum and materials which have been developed and approved pursuant to this subsection.

C. ~~School districts shall make the curriculum and materials that will be used to teach AIDS prevention education available for inspection by the parents and guardians of the students that will be involved with the curriculum and materials. Furthermore, the curriculum must be limited in time frame to deal only with factual medical information for AIDS prevention. The school districts, at least one (1) month prior to teaching AIDS prevention education in any classroom, shall conduct for the parents and guardians of the students involved during weekend and evening hours at least one presentation concerning the curriculum and materials that will be used for such education. No student shall be required to participate in AIDS prevention education if a parent or guardian of the student objects in writing to such participation. All materials used for HIV education instruction shall be made available for public inspection, either physically or digitally on the district website, at least one month prior to instruction.~~

D. ~~AIDS prevention education shall specifically teach students that:~~

- ~~1. engaging in homosexual activity, promiscuous sexual activity, intravenous drug use or contact with contaminated blood products is now known to be primarily responsible for contact with the AIDS virus;~~
- ~~2. avoiding the activities specified in paragraph 1 of this subsection is the only method of preventing the spread of the virus;~~
- ~~3. sexual intercourse, with or without condoms, with any person testing positive for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) antibodies, or any other person infected with HIV, places that individual in a high risk category for developing AIDS.~~

This instruction shall include:

1. The definition of HIV and AIDS;
2. How the virus is transmitted;
3. How the virus is not transmitted;
4. An analysis of the transmission and methods of prevention for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and HIV;
5. Identification of risk behaviors and situations involving possible exposure to HIV;
6. An analysis of the efficiency of artificial means of birth control an other methods in preventing the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases;

7. A demonstration of refusal skills, negotiating skills and peer resistance skills related to sexual health.
 8. Examples involving same-sex relationships; and
 9. Information on intersex and LGBTQ+ individuals.
- E. ~~The program of AIDS prevention education shall teach that abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain means for the prevention of the spread or contraction of the AIDS virus through sexual contact. It shall also teach that artificial means of birth control are not a certain means of preventing the spread of the AIDS virus and reliance on such methods puts a person at risk for exposure to the disease.~~
No student may be exempt from this section by written request of a parent or legal guardian.
- F. The State Department of Health and the State Department of Education shall update AIDS education curriculum material as newly discovered medical facts make it necessary.

Section 4. AMENDATORY: 25 O.S. §2003(A) is amended to read as follows:

- A. The board of education of a school district, in consultation with parents, teachers and administrators, shall develop and adopt a policy to promote the involvement of parents and guardians of children enrolled in the schools within the school district, including:
1. A plan for parent participation in the schools which is designed to improve parent and teacher cooperation in such areas as homework, attendance and discipline;
 2. Procedures by which parents may learn about the course of study for their children and review learning materials, including the source of any supplemental educational materials;
 3. Procedures by which parents who object to any learning material or activity on the basis that it is harmful may withdraw their children from the activity or from the class or program in which the material is used. Objection to a learning material or activity on the basis that it is harmful includes objection to a material or activity because it questions beliefs or practices in ~~sex~~, morality or religion;
 - ~~4. If a school district offers any sex education curricula pursuant to Section 11-105.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes or pursuant to any rules adopted by the State Board of Education, procedures to opt out of a school district from providing sex education instruction to a child if the child's parent provides written objection to the child's participation in the sex education curricula;~~

~~5.~~ Procedures by which parents will be notified in advance of and given the opportunity to withdraw their children from any instruction or presentations regarding sexuality in courses other than formal sex education curricula pursuant to Section 11-105.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~6.~~4. Procedures by which parents may learn about the nature and purpose of clubs and activities that are part of the school curriculum, as well as extracurricular clubs and activities that have been approved by the school; and

~~7.~~5. Procedures by which parents may learn about parental rights and responsibilities under the laws of this state, including the following:

~~a.~~ the right to opt out of a sex education curriculum if one is provided by the school district

~~b.~~a. open enrollment rights,

~~c.~~b. the right to opt out assignments pursuant to this section,

~~d.~~c. the right to be exempt from the immunization of laws of the state pursuant to Section 1210.192 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

~~e.~~d. the promotion requirements prescribed in Section 1210.508E of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

~~f.~~e. the minimum course of study and competency requirements for graduation from high school prescribed in Section 11-103.6 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

~~g.~~ the right to opt out of instruction on the acquired immune deficiency syndrome pursuant to Section 11-103.3 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

~~h.~~f. the right to review test results,

~~i.~~g. the right to participate in gifted programs pursuant to Sections 1210.301 through 1210.308 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

~~j.~~h. the right to inspect instructional materials used in connection with any research or experimentation program or project pursuant to Section 11-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

~~k.~~i. the right to receive a school report card,

~~l.~~j. the attendance requirements prescribed in Section 10-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

~~m.~~k. the right to public review of courses of study and textbooks,

- ~~n.~~l. the right to be excused from school attendance for religious purposes,
- ~~o.~~m. policies related to parental involvement pursuant to this section,
- ~~p.~~n. the right to participate in parent-teacher associations and organizations that are sanctioned by the board of education of a school district, and
- ~~q.~~o. the right to opt out of any data collection instrument at the district level that would capture data for inclusion in the state longitudinal student data system except what is necessary and essential for establishing a student's public.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. TU-503

Saleh (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to healthcare; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Husband Stitch” Act of 2023.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.

1. “The husband stitch” shall be defined as an extra stitch performed during the episiotomy procedure. It is also known as the daddy stitch, husband’s knot, and vaginal tuck.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It shall be illegal for individuals to perform the husband stitch.
2. It shall be illegal for anyone other than the person receiving the episiotomy to request the husband stitch.
3. It shall be illegal for the individual or individuals performing the episiotomy to ask, in any form, about the husband stitch to anyone other than the person receiving the episiotomy, excluding other medical personnel.
4. It shall be illegal for the individual or individuals performing the episiotomy to suggest the husband stitch to the one receiving the episiotomy or to anyone who may suggest the husband stitch to the one receiving the episiotomy.
5. It shall be illegal for any individual to pressure the individual receiving the episiotomy to request or receive the husband stitch.
6. A request to perform the husband stitch by anyone other than the person receiving the episiotomy shall be reported by the hospital to the individual receiving the episiotomy within seven (7) days.

7. A performance of the husband stitch shall be reported to the hospital's ethics board, law enforcement, and the individual who received the husband stitch within seven (7) days.
8. During any procedure in which a medical professional can conclude the husband stitch was performed, it shall be reported to the hospital's ethics board, law enforcement, and the individual who received the husband stitch within seven (7) days.
9. Any medical professional involved in the pregnancy and labor process shall inform the individual who may potentially receive the husband stitch of this law prior to the labor process.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.1 shall have their medical license revoked indefinitely, provided the husband stitch cannot be undone, and be made to pay the cost of all complications and consequences resulting from the husband stitch.
2. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.1 shall have their medical license revoked temporarily, shall be made to present in front of an ethics board, and shall be made to pay the cost of all medical complications and consequences resulting from the husband stitch, provided the husband stitch can be undone. Multiple violations of Section 3.1 will result in a permanent revocation of an individual's medical license.
3. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.2 shall be fined one thousand dollars (\$1,000), provided the suggestion does not lead to the husband stitch, and ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) provided it does. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.2 shall provide ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in emotional damages to the individual who received the husband stitch.
4. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.3 shall have their medical license revoked temporarily, shall be made to present in front of an ethics board, and, provided this action led to the suggestion of the husband stitch, shall be fined not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and shall pay no more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in emotional damages to the individual who received the husband stitch. If this action did not lead to the suggestion of the husband stitch, any individual found in violation of Section 3.3 shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
5. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.4 shall have their medical license revoked temporarily, shall be made to present in front of an ethics board, and, provided this action led to the suggestion of the husband stitch,

shall be fined not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and shall pay no more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in emotional damages to the individual who received the husband stitch. If this action did not lead to the suggestion of the husband stitch, any individual found in violation of Section 3.4 shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

6. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.5 shall be fined five thousand dollars (\$5,000). If applicable, they shall have their medical license revoked temporarily and shall be made to present in front of an ethics board. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.5 shall pay five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in emotional damages to the individual who received the husband stitch.
7. Any institution found in violation of Section 3.6 shall receive a fine of not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per unreported day thereafter. Any institution found in violation of Section 3.6 shall pay fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in emotional damages to the individual who received the husband stitch.
8. Any institution found in violation of Section 3.7 shall receive a fine of not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per unreported day thereafter. Any institution found in violation of Section 3.7 shall pay fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in emotional damages to the individual who received the husband stitch.
9. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.8 shall have their medical license revoked temporarily, shall be made to present in front of an ethics board, and be made to pay the cost of all medical complications resulting from failing to report the husband stitch.
10. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.9 shall pay a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) provided medical complications did not occur from this failure to report and a fine of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) provided medical complications did occur from this failure to report. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.9 shall pay ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in emotional damages to the individual who received the husband stitch.

Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. TU-504

Thomason (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to schools; providing short title; amending 25 O.S. §2101; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Respect the Establishment Clause” Act of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §2101 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Every county, municipality, city, town, school or any other political subdivision is authorized to display, in its public buildings and on its grounds, replicas of historical documents including, but not limited to, the ~~Ten Commandments~~, Magna Carta, Mayflower Compact, Declaration of Independence, United States Constitution, Bill of Rights, Oklahoma Constitution and other historically significant documents in the form of statues, monuments, memorials, tablets or any other display ~~that respects the dignity and solemnity of such documents~~. Such documents shall be displayed in a manner consistent with the context of other documents contained in such display.
- B. In the event that the legality or constitutionality of any such display is challenged in a court of law, the Oklahoma Attorney General is authorized to prepare and present a legal defense of the display.

Section 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
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House Bill No. TU-505

By: Thomason (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to discrimination; providing short title; amending 25 O.S. §1101; amending 25 O.S. §1201; amending 25 O.S. §1301; amending 25 O.S. §1302; amending 25 O.S. §1303; amending 25 O.S. §1304; amending 25 O.S. §1305; amending 25 O.S. §1306; amending 25 O.S. §1308; amending 25 O.S. §1309; amending 25 O.S. §1310; amending 25 O.S. §1311; amending 25 O.S. §1350; amending 25 O.S. §1401; amending 25 O.S. §1402; amending 25 O.S. §1451(A)(4); amending 25 O.S. §1451(A)(6); amending 25 O.S. §1451(A)(8)(b); amending 25 O.S. §1451(B); amending 25 O.S. §1452; amending 25 O.S. §1453(A); amending 25 O.S. §1453(C)(1)(a)(1)(b); amending 25 O.S. §1453(D); amending 25 O.S. §1502(A); amending 25 O.S. §1502.2(D); amending 25 O.S. §1506.9(A); amending 25 O.S. §1507(C); amending 25 O.S. §1601; amending 25 O.S. §1604; amending 25 O.S. §1605; amending 25 O.S. §1702; amending 25 O.S. §1703; amending 25 O.S. §1704(A)(4); amending 25 O.S. §1705(A)(1); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Equality Act” of 2023.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. § 1101 is amended to read as follows:

- A. This act provides for exclusive remedies within the state of the policies for individuals alleging discrimination in employment, public accommodations, and housing on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, religion, ~~creed~~, age, disability, or genetic information.
- B. This act shall be construed according to the fair import of its terms to further the general purposes stated in this section and the special purposes of the particular provision involved.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1201 is amended to read as follows:

In Section 1101 et seq. of this title, unless ~~the context otherwise requires~~ otherwise defined:

1. "Discriminatory practice" means a practice designated as

- discriminatory under the terms of this act;
2. "National origin" includes the national origin of an ancestor;~~and~~
 3. "Person" includes an individual, association, corporation, joint apprenticeship committee, joint-stock company, labor union, legal representative, mutual company, partnership, receiver, trust, trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, unincorporated organization, any other legal or commercial entity, the state, or any governmental entity or agency;
 4. "Sexuality" shall refer to an individual's actual or perceived romantic, physical, and/or sexual attraction to other persons, or lack thereof;
 5. "Gender identity" shall refer to an individual's actual or perceived gender, appearance, mannerisms, or other gender-related characteristics, regardless of an individual's designated sex at birth;
 6. "Sex" shall refer to sex assigned at birth and sex-based stereotypes;
 7. "Pregnancy" shall refer to an individual's capacity for pregnancy, intent to become pregnant, active pregnancy, childbirth, and any medical condition related to pregnancy, childbirth, or postpartum care;
 8. "Disability" shall refer to any actual or perceived physical, mental, intellectual, and/or sensory limitation which, in interaction with various environments, attitudes, and policies, exclude, stigmatize, and/or hinder an individual's full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others;
 9. "Genetic information" shall refer to information regarding genetic tests and medical history of an individual or an individual's family member.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1301 is amended to read as follows:

A. As used in Section 1101 et seq. of this title:

1. "Employer" means:
 - a. A legal entity, institution, or organization that pays one or more individuals a salary or wages for work performance, or
 - b. A legal entity, institution, organization which contracts or subcontracts with the state, a governmental entity or a state agency to furnish material or perform work.

Employer does not include a Native American tribe or bona fide membership club, other than a labor organization, that is exempt from taxation under Title 26, Section 501(c) of the United States code;

2. "Employment agency" means a person regularly undertaking with or without compensation to procure employees for an employer or to procure for employees opportunities to work for an employer and includes an agent of such a person;

3. "Labor organization" means
 - a. An organization of any kind, an agency or employee representation committee, group, association, or plan in which employees participate and which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours, or other terms or conditions of employment,
 - b. A conference, general committee, joint or system board, or joint council so engaged which is subordinate to a national or international labor organization, or
 - c. An agent of a labor organization;
4. ~~"Individual with a disability" means a person who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of such person's major life activities, has a record of such an impairment or is regarded as having such an impairment;~~ "Disability" shall be defined according to 25 O.S. §1102(8) as amended by this act;
5. "Age discrimination in employment" means discrimination in employment of persons who are at least forty (40) years of age;
6. ~~"Sex," "because of sex" or "based on sex" includes, but is not limited to, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions; women affected by pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions shall be treated the same for all employment-related purposes as other persons not so affected but similar in their ability to work;~~ "Sex" shall be defined according to 25 O.S. §1102(6) as amended by this act. "Pregnancy" shall be defined according to 25 O.S. §1102(7) as amended by this act;
7. "Genetic information" means information derived from the results of a genetic test. "Genetic information" shall not include family history, the results of a routine physical examination or test, the results of a chemical, blood or urine analysis, the results of a test to determine drug use, the results of a test for the presence of the human immunodeficiency virus, or the results of any other test commonly accepted in clinical practice at the time it is ordered; and
8. "Employee" means an individual who receives a salary or wages from an employer. Employees shall not include independent contractors.

Section 5. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1302 is amended to read as follows:

- A. It is a discriminatory practice for an employer:
 1. To fail or refuse to hire, to discharge, or otherwise to discriminate

- against an individual with respect to compensation or the terms, conditions, privileges or responsibilities of employment, because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the employer can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such employer~~; or
2. To limit, segregate, or classify an employee or applicant for employment in a way which would deprive or tend to deprive an individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect the status of an employee, because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the employer can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such employer~~.

~~B. This section does not apply to the employment of an individual by his or her parents, spouse, or child or to employment in the domestic service of the employer.~~

Section 6. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1303 is amended to read as follows:

- A. It is a discriminatory practice for an employment agency to fail or refuse to refer for employment, or otherwise to discriminate against, an individual because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the agency can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such agency~~, or to classify or refer for employment an individual on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the agency can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such agency~~.

Section 7. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1304 is amended to read as follows:

- A. It is a discriminatory practice for a labor organization:
 1. To exclude or to expel from membership, or otherwise to discriminate against, a member or applicant for membership because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the organization can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such organization~~;

2. To limit, segregate, or classify membership, or to classify or to fail or refuse to refer for employment an individual in a way:
 - a. which would deprive to tend to deprive an individual of employment opportunities, or
 - b. which would limit employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect the status of an employee or of an applicant for employment, because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the organization can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such organization~~; or
3. To cause or attempt to cause an employer to violate Section 1101 et seq. of this title.

Section 8. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1305 is amended to read as follows:

It is a discriminatory practice for an employer, labor organization, or joint labor-management committee controlling apprenticeship, on-the-job, or other training or retraining program, to discriminate against an individual because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the employer, organization or committee can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such employer, organization or committee, in admission to, or employment in, a program established to provide apprenticeship or other training.~~

Section 9. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1306 is amended to read as follows:

It is a discriminatory practice for an employer, labor organization, or employment agency to print or publish or cause to be printed or published a notice or advertisement relating to employment by the employer or membership in or a classification or referral for employment by the labor organization, or relating to a classification or referral for employment by the employment agency, indicating a preference, limitation, specification, or discrimination, based on race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, genetic information or disability, ~~unless the employer, organization or agency can demonstrate that accommodation for the disability would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business of such employer, organization or agency~~; but a notice or advertisement may indicate a preference, limitation,

specification, or discrimination based on religion, sex, or national origin when religion, sex, or national origin is a bona fide occupational qualification for employment according to 25 O.S. §1308(1)(a) as amended by this act.

Section 10. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1308 is amended to read as follows:

It is not a discriminatory practice:

1. For an employer to hire and employ an employee, or an employment agency to classify or refer for employment an individual, for a labor organization to classify its membership or to classify or refer for employment an individual, or for an employer, labor organization, or joint labor-management committee controlling an apprenticeship or other training or retraining program to admit or employ an individual in the program, on the basis of religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information if such action is related to a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the business or enterprise; or
 - a. An employer may establish a bona fide occupational qualification only if it can demonstrate all of the following conditions:
 - i. a factual basis for believing that all or substantially all members of a protected class under this section would be unable to perform safely and efficiently the duties of the job involved;
 - ii. the essence of the business operation would be undermined by not hiring members of a protected class under this section and that such discrimination is essential to the business' primary function; and
 - iii. no reasonable, less discriminatory alternative exists to discriminating against a protected class under this section.
2. For a school, college, university, or other educational institution to hire and employ an employee of a particular religion if the school, college, university, or other educational institution is, in whole ~~or substantial part,~~ owned, supported, controlled, or managed by a particular religion or by a particular religious corporation, association, or society, or if the curriculum of the school, college, university, or other educational institution is directed toward the propagation of a particular religion.

Section 11. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1309 is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provision of Section 1101 et seq. of this title, it is not a discriminatory practice for an employer:

1. To apply different standards of compensation or different terms, conditions, privileges, or responsibilities of employment pursuant to a bona fide seniority or merit system, or a system which measures earnings by quantity or quality of production or to employees who work in different locations, if the differences are not the result of an intention to discriminate or produce the effect of discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information; or
2. To give and to act upon the results of a professionally-developed ability test if the test, its administration, its effects, or action upon the results is not designed, intended, or used to discriminate because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information; or
3. To require the compulsory retirement of any person who has attained the age of sixty-five (65) and who, for the two-year period immediately before retirement, is employed in a bona fide executive or high policymaking position, if such person is entitled to an immediate nonforfeitable annual retirement benefit from a pension, profit-sharing, savings or deferred compensation plan, or any combination of such plans, of the employer, which equals, in the aggregate, at least Forty-four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000.00).

Section 12. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1310 is amended to read as follows:

Nothing contained in Section 1101 et seq. of this title requires an employer, employment agency, labor organization, or joint labor-management committee subject to Section 1101 et seq. of this title to grant preferential treatment to an individual or to a group because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information of the individual or group on account of an imbalance which may exist with respect to the total number or percentage of persons of any race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information employed by an employer, referred or classified for employment by an employment agency or labor organization, admitted to membership or classified by a labor organization, or admitted to, or employed in, an apprenticeship, or other training or retraining program, in comparison with the total number or percentage of persons of the race, color, religion, sex, sexuality,

gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information in the state or a community, section, or other area, or in the available work force in the state or a community, section, or other area. However, it is not a discriminatory practice for a person subject to Section 1101 et seq. of this title to adopt and carry out a plan to eliminate or reduce imbalance with respect to race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information if the plan has been filed with the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement.

Section 13. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1311 is amended to read as follows:

~~Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, it shall not be an unlawful employment practice because of sex to differentiate in employment, compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment between male and female employees if such differences are otherwise required or permitted by the laws of this state, or by the provisions of Section 703 of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, or by the provisions of Section 6(d) of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended; nor shall it be an unlawful employment practice because of sex for an employer, pursuant to a plan, to provide differences in annuity, death and survivors' benefits between widows and widowers of employees. It shall be an unlawful employment practice to differentiate because of sex in employment, compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment between male and female employees unless otherwise permitted by the laws of this state, or by the provisions of Section 703 of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, or by the provisions of Section 6(d) of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended.~~

Section 14. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1350 is amended to read as follows:

- A. A cause of action for employment-based discrimination is hereby created and any common law remedies are hereby abolished.
- B. In order to have standing in a court of law to allege discrimination arising from an employment-related matter, in a cause of action against an employer for discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, genetic information with respect to the employee, or retaliation, an aggrieved party must, within one hundred eighty (180) days from the last date of alleged discrimination, file a charge of discrimination in employment with the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission alleging the basis of discrimination believed to have been perpetrated on the

aggrieved party. Upon completion of any investigation, the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement may transmit the results of any administrative hearing and determination to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or issue the complaining party a Notice of a Right to Sue.

- C. Should a charge of discrimination be filed with the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement and not be resolved to the satisfaction of the charging party within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of filing of such charge, the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement, upon request of any party shall issue a Notice of a Right to Sue, which must be first obtained in order to commence a civil action under this section.
- D. All civil actions brought pursuant to a Notice of a Right to Sue from the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement for redress against any person who is alleged to have discriminated against the charging party and against any person named as respondent in the charge shall be commenced in the district court of this state for the county in which the unlawful employment practice is alleged to have been committed.
- E. Either party in any such action shall be entitled to a jury trial of any facts in dispute in the action.
- F. The defending party may allege any defense that is available under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Pregnancy Discrimination Act, the Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, or the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act.
- G. If it is determined in such action that the defendant or defendants in such action have discriminated against the charging party as charged in the petition, the court may enjoin the defendant or defendants from engaging in such unlawful employment practice charged in the petition, the court may enjoin respondent from engaging in such unlawful practice and order such affirmative action as reinstatement or hiring of employees. A prevailing aggrieved party shall also be entitled to backpay and an additional amount as liquidated damages. Interim earnings or amounts earnable with reasonable diligence by the person discriminated against shall operate to reduce the backpay otherwise allowable. If an individual was refused employment or advancement, was suspended and/or was discharged for legitimate reasons other than discrimination as provided by this act, then no order of the court shall require the hiring, reinstatement or promotion of that individual as an employee, nor shall it order payment of any backpay.
- H. In any action or proceeding under this section, the court may allow a prevailing plaintiff or defendant a reasonable attorney fee.
- I. No action may be filed in district court as provided in this section more than

ninety (90) days after receiving a Notice of a Right to Sue from the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement.

Section 15. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1401 is amended to read as follows:

As used in this act unless the context requires otherwise:

1. "place of public accommodation" includes any place, store or other establishment, either licensed or unlicensed, which supplies goods or services to the general public or which solicits or accepts the patronage or trade of the general public or which is supported directly or indirectly by government funds: except that
2. a private club is not a place of public accommodation, if its policies are determined by its members and its facilities or services are available only to its members and their bona fide guests;
3. ~~"place of public accommodation" does not include barber shops or beauty shops or privately-owned resort or amusement establishments or an establishment located within a building which contains not more than five rooms for rent or hire and which is actually occupied by the proprietor of the establishment as his residence.~~

Section 16. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1402 is amended to read as follows:

It is a discriminatory practice for a person to deny an individual the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, and accommodations of a "place of public accommodation" because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, or disability.

Section 17. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1451 (A)(4) is amended to read as follows:

4. "Restrictive covenants" means any specification limiting the transfer, rental, or lease of any dwelling because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, disability, or familial status;

Section 18. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1451(A)(6) is amended to read as follows:

6. ~~"Disability" means a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits at least one major life activity, when there is a record of such an impairment, or the individual is regarded as having such an impairment. The term does not~~

~~include current illegal use of or addiction to any drug or illegal or federally controlled substance. For purposes of Sections 1451 through 1453 of this title, "an individual with a disability" or "disability" does not apply to an individual because of sexual orientation or the sexual preference of the individual or because that individual is a transvestite;~~ "Disability" shall be defined according to 25 O.S. §1102(8) as amended by this act;

Section 19. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1451(A)(8)(b) is amended to read as follows:

- b. believes that ~~he or she~~ they will be injured by a discriminatory housing practice that is about to occur;

Section 20. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1451(B) is amended to read as follows:

- B. For purposes of Sections 1451 through 1453 of this title, a discriminatory act is committed because of familial status ~~only~~ if the act is committed in whole or in part because the person who is the subject of discrimination is:
 1. Pregnant;
 2. Domiciled with an individual less than eighteen (18) years of age in regard to whom the person:
 - a. is the parent or legal custodian, or
 - b. has the written permission of the parent or legal custodian for domicile with that person; or
 3. In the process of obtaining legal custody of an individual less than eighteen (18) years of age.

Section 21. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1452 is amended to read as follows:

- A. It shall be an unlawful discriminatory housing practice for any person, or any agent or employee of such person:
 1. To refuse to sell or rent after the making of a bona fide offer, or to refuse to negotiate for the sale or rental of any housing, or otherwise make unavailable or deny any housing because of race, color, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality,~~ gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
 2. To discriminate against any person in the terms, conditions, or privileges of sale or rental of housing, or in the provision of services or facilities in connection with any housing because of race, color, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality,~~ gender identity, pregnancy, genetic

- information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
3. To make, print, publish, or cause to be made, printed, or published any notice, statement, or advertisement, with respect to the sale or rental of housing that indicates any preference, limitation, discrimination, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, ~~gender,sex~~, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
 4. To represent to any person, for reasons of discrimination, that any housing is not available for inspection, sale, or rental when such housing is in fact so available because of race, color, religion, ~~gender,sex~~, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
 5. To deny any person access to, or membership or participation in, a multiple-listing service, real estate brokers' organization or other service, organization, or facility relating to the business of selling or renting dwellings, or discriminate against a person in the terms or conditions of access, membership, or participation in such an organization, service, or facility because of race, color, religion, ~~gender,sex~~, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
 6. To include in any transfer, sale, rental, or lease of housing any restrictive covenant that discriminates, or for any person to honor or exercise, or attempt to honor or exercise, any discriminatory covenant pertaining to housing because of race, color, religion, ~~gender,sex~~, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
 7. To refuse to consider the income of both applicants when both applicants seek to buy or lease housing because of race, color, religion, ~~gender,sex~~, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
 8. To refuse to consider as a valid source of income any public assistance, alimony, or child support, awarded by a court, when that source can be verified as to its amount, length of time received, regularity, or receipt because of race, color, religion, ~~gender,sex~~, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;
 9. To discriminate against a person in the terms, conditions, or privileges relating to the obtaining or use of financial assistance for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, repair, or maintenance of any

housing because of race, color, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information~~, national origin, age, familial status, or disability;

10. To discharge, demote, or discriminate in matters of compensation or working conditions against any employee or agent because of the obedience of the employee or agent to the provisions of this section;
11. To solicit or attempt to solicit the listing of housing for sale or lease, by door to door solicitation, in person, or by telephone, or by distribution of circulars, if one of the purposes is to change the racial composition of the neighborhood;
12. To knowingly induce or attempt to induce another person to transfer an interest in real property, or to discourage another person from purchasing real property, by representations regarding the existing or potential proximity of real property owned, used, or occupied by persons of any particular race, color, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information~~, national origin, age, familial status, or disability, or to represent that such existing or potential proximity shall or may result in:
 - a. the lowering of property values,
 - b. a change in the racial, religious, or ethnic character of the block, neighborhood, or area in which the property is located,
 - c. an increase in criminal or antisocial behavior in the area, or
 - d. a decline in quality of the schools serving the area;
13. To refuse to rent or lease housing to a blind, deaf, or disabled person on the basis of the person's use or possession of a bona fide, properly trained guide, signal, or service dog;
14. To demand the payment of an additional nonrefundable fee or an unreasonable deposit for rent from a blind, deaf, or disabled person for such dog. Such blind, deaf, or disabled person may be liable for any damage done to the dwelling by such dog;
15. a. to discriminate in the sale or rental or otherwise make available or deny a dwelling to any buyer or renter because of a disability of:
 - (1) That buyer or renter,
 - (2) A person residing in or intending to reside in that dwelling after it is sold, rented, or made available, or
 - (3) Any person associated with that buyer or renter, or
- b. to discriminate against any person in the terms, conditions, or privileges of sale or rental of a dwelling or in the provision of services or facilities in connection with the dwelling because of a disability of:

- (1) That person,
 - (2) A person residing in or intending to reside in that dwelling after it is so sold, rented or made available, or
 - (3) Any person associated with that person;
16. For purposes of disability discrimination in housing pursuant to Sections 1451 through 1453 of this title, discrimination includes:
- a. a refusal to permit, at the expense of the disabled person, reasonable modifications of existing premises occupied or to be occupied by the person if the modifications may be necessary to afford the person full enjoyment of the premises, provided that such person also provides a surety bond guaranteeing restoration of the premises to their prior condition, if necessary to make the premises suitable for nondisabled tenants,
 - b. a refusal to make reasonable accommodations in rules, policies, practices, or services, when the accommodations may be necessary to afford the person equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling, or
 - c. in connection with the design and construction of covered multifamily dwellings for first occupancy thirty (30) months after the date of enactment of the federal Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-430), a failure to design and construct those dwellings in a manner that:
 - (1) The public use and common use portions of the dwellings are readily accessible to and usable by disabled persons,
 - (2) All the doors designed to allow passage into and within all premises within the dwellings are sufficiently wide to allow passage by disabled persons in wheelchairs, and
 - (3) All premises within the dwellings contain the following features of adaptive design:
 - (a) An accessible route into and through the dwelling,
 - (b) Light switches, electrical outlets, thermostats, and other environmental controls in accessible locations,
 - (c) Reinforcements in bathroom walls to allow later installation of grab bars, and
 - (d) Usable kitchen and bathrooms so that an individual in a wheelchair can maneuver about the space,
 - (4) Compliance with the appropriate requirements of the American National Standard for buildings and facilities

providing accessibility and usability for physically disabled people, commonly cited as "ANSI A 117.1", suffices to satisfy the requirements of division (3) of this subparagraph,

- (5) As used in this subsection, the term "covered multifamily dwellings" means:
 - (a) Buildings consisting of four or more units if the buildings have one or more elevators, and
 - (b) Ground floor units in other buildings consisting of four or more units,
- (6) Nothing in this subsection requires that a dwelling be made available to an individual whose tenancy would constitute a direct threat to the health or safety of other individuals or whose tenancy would result in substantial physical damage to the property of others; or

17. a. A person whose business includes engaging in residential real estate related transactions may not discriminate against a person in making a real estate related transaction available or in the terms or conditions of a real estate related transaction because of race, color, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information~~ disability, familial status, national origin, or Age.

b. In this section, "residential real estate related transaction" means:

(1) Making or purchasing loans or providing other financial assistance:

(a) To purchase, construct, improve, repair, or maintain a dwelling, or

(b) To secure residential real estate, or

(2) Selling, brokering, or appraising residential real property.

B. This section does ~~not~~ prohibit discrimination against a person because the person has been convicted under federal law or the law of any state of the illegal manufacture or distribution of a controlled substance.

C. No other categories or classes of persons are protected pursuant to Sections 1451 through 1453 of this title. The Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement shall have no authority or jurisdiction to act on complaints based on any kind of discrimination other than those kinds of discrimination prohibited pursuant to Section 1101 et seq. of this title or any other specifically authorized by law.

Section 23. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1453(A) is amended to read as follows:

- A. Nothing provided for in Sections 1451 through 1453 of this title shall:
1. Prohibit a religious organization, association, or society, or any nonprofit institution or organization operated, supervised, or controlled by or in conjunction with a religious organization, association, or society, from limiting the sale, rental, or occupancy of housing which it owns or operates for other than a commercial purpose to persons of the same religion, or from giving preferences to such persons, unless membership in such religion is restricted on account of race, color, ~~or~~ national origin, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, age, disability, or genetic information. Nor shall anything in Sections 1451, 1452, 1453, 1501 and 1505.1 of this title apply to a private membership club which is a bona fide club and which is exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954;
 2. Prohibit a religious organization, association, or society, or a nonprofit institution or organization operated, supervised, or controlled by or in conjunction with a religious organization, association, or society, from:
 - a. limiting limiting the sale, rental, or occupancy of dwellings that it owns or operates for other than a commercial purpose to persons of the same religion, or
 - b. giving preference to persons of the same religion, unless membership in the religion is restricted because of race, color, ~~or~~ national origin, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, age, disability, or genetic information; or
 3. Prohibit a private club not open to the public that, as an incident to its primary purpose, provides lodging that it owns or operates for other than a commercial purpose from limiting the rental or occupancy of that lodging to its members or from giving preference to its members.

Section 24. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1453(C)(1)(a)(1)(b) is amended to read as follows:

- b. own any interest in, or is there owned or reserved on ~~his or her~~ their behalf, pursuant to any express or voluntary agreement, title to or any right to any part of the proceeds from the sale or rental of more than three single-family houses at any one time, and

Section 25. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1453(D) is amended to read as follows:

- D. Nothing provided for in Sections 1451 through 1453 of this title shall prohibit

a person engaged in the business of furnishing appraisals of real property from taking into consideration factors other than race, color, age, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information,~~ disability, familial status, or national origin.

Section 26. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1502(A) is amended to read as follows:

- A. A person claiming to be aggrieved by a discriminatory practice, ~~his or her~~ their attorney, or a nonprofit organization chartered for the purpose of combating discrimination may file with the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement a written sworn complaint stating that a discriminatory practice has been committed, and setting forth the facts upon which the complaint is based, and setting forth facts sufficient to enable the Attorney General to identify the person charged, hereinafter called the respondent. The Attorney General shall promptly furnish the respondent with a copy of the complaint and shall promptly investigate the allegations of discriminatory practice set forth in the complaint. The complaint must be filed within one hundred eighty (180) days after the alleged discriminatory practice occurs.

Section 27. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1502.2(D) is amended to read as follows:

- D. Not later than one (1) year after an alleged discriminatory housing practice has occurred or terminated, whichever is later, the Attorney General may file ~~his or her~~ their own complaint.

Section 28. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1506.9(A) is amended to read as follows:

- A. A person commits an offense if the person, whether or not acting under color of law, by force or threat of force, intentionally intimidates or interferes with a person:
 1. Because of the person's race, color, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality,~~ gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information, disability, familial status, or national origin and because the person is or has been selling, purchasing, renting, financing, occupying, contracting, or negotiating for the sale, purchase, rental, financing, or occupation of any dwelling, or applying for or participating in a service, organization, or facility relating to the business of selling or renting dwellings; or
 2. Because the person is or has been, or has attempted to intimidate the person from:
 - a. participating, without discrimination because of race, color,

religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information~~, disability, familial status, or national origin, in an activity, service, organization, or facility described in paragraph 1 of this subsection,

- b. affording another person opportunity or protection to so participate, or
- c. lawfully aiding or encouraging other persons to participate, without discrimination because of race, color, religion, ~~gender, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, genetic information~~, disability, familial status, or national origin, in an activity, service, organization, or facility described in paragraph 1 of this subsection.

Section 29. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1507(C) is amended to read as follows:

- C. It is unlawful for an officer or employee of the Attorney General to make public with respect to a particular person without ~~his~~their consent information obtained by the Attorney General pursuant to ~~his or her~~their authority under this section.

Section 30. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1601 is amended to read as follows:

It is a discriminatory practice for a person, or for two or more persons to conspire,

1. to retaliate or discriminate against a person because ~~he has~~they opposed a discriminatory practice, or because ~~he has~~they made a charge, filed a complaint, testified, assisted, or participated in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under this act;
2. to aid, abet, incite, or coerce a person to engage in a discriminatory practice;
3. willfully to interfere with the performance of a duty or the exercise of a power by the Commission or one of its members or representatives; or
4. willfully to obstruct or prevent a person from complying with the provisions of this act or an order issued thereunder.

Section 31. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1604 is amended to read as follows:

In the case of a respondent who is found by the Attorney General to have engaged in a discriminatory practice in the course of performing under a contract or subcontract with the state or any governmental entity, or agency thereof, if the discriminatory practice was authorized, requested, commanded, performed or

recklessly tolerated by the board of directors of the respondent or by a high managerial agent acting within the scope of ~~his or her~~ their employment, the Attorney General shall so certify to the contracting agency. Unless the Attorney General's finding of a discriminatory practice is upheld in the course of judicial review, the finding of discrimination is not binding on the contracting agency. Upon receiving a certification made under this section, a contracting agency may take appropriate action to:

1. Terminate a contract or portion thereof previously entered into with the respondent, either absolutely or on condition that the respondent carry out a program of compliance with the provisions of Section 1101 et seq. of this title; and
2. Assist the state and all governmental entities and agencies thereof to refrain from entering into further contracts, or extensions or other modifications of existing contracts, with the respondent until the Attorney General is satisfied that the respondent will carry out policies in compliance with the provisions of Section 1101 et seq. of this title.

Section 32. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1605 is amended to read as follows:

In a proceeding under this act a written, printed, or visual communication, advertisement, or other form of publication, or written inquiry, or other document purporting to have been made by a person is prima facie evidence that it was authorized by ~~him~~ them.

Section 33. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1702 is amended to read as follows:

A political subdivision may adopt and enforce an ordinance prohibiting discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information not in conflict with a provision of Section 1101 et seq. of this title.

Section 34. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1703 is amended to read as follows:

A political subdivision, or two or more political subdivisions acting jointly, may create a local commission to promote the purposes of Section 1101 et seq. of this title and to secure for all individuals within the jurisdiction of the political subdivision or subdivisions freedom from discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information, and may appropriate funds for the expenses of the local commission.

Section 35. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1704(A)(4) is amended to read as follows:

4. To receive, initiate, investigate, and seek to conciliate complaints alleging violations of Section 1101 et seq. of this title or of an ordinance prohibiting discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information or legislation establishing the commission;

Section 36. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1705(A)(1) is amended to read as follows:

1. Whether or not a complaint has been filed under the provisions of Section 1502 or 1704 of this title, may refer a matter involving discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, sexuality, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information to a local commission for investigation, study, and report; and

Section 37. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Bill No. TU-506

Yang (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to schools; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 70 O.S. § 11-103(B)(1); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Comprehensive Health Education” Act of 2023.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. “Micros” shall be defined as vitamins and minerals needed by the body in very small amounts.
 - B. “Macros” shall be defined as the nutritive components of food that the body needs for energy and to maintain the body’s structure and systems.
 - C. “Avoidant/Restrictive Food Intake Disorder (ARFID)” shall be defined as a condition where one limits their food intake but not due to negative self-image or a desire to change one’s body weight. It can be caused due to fear and anxiety about food or the consequences of eating, like choking.
 - D. “Anorexia Nervosa” shall be defined as an eating disorder characterized by an abnormally low body weight, an intense fear of gaining weight, and a distorted perception of weight.
 - E. “Bulimia Nervosa” shall be defined as an eating disorder characterized by uncontrolled episodes of overeating, called bingeing, followed by purging with methods such as vomiting or misuse of laxatives. Bingeing is eating much larger amounts of food than one would normally eat in a short period of time, usually less than 2 hours. These binge-purge cycles can happen from many times a day to several times a week.
 - F. “Body Dysmorphic Disorder (BDD)” shall be defined as a mental health condition in which one cannot stop thinking about one or more perceived defects or flaws in their appearance, usually a flaw that appears minor or can't be seen by others. They may feel so embarrassed, ashamed, and anxious about said flaw or flaws that they may avoid many social situations.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 11-103(B)(1) is amended to read as follows:

1. The teaching of health through the study of proper diet, including the use of macros and micros, and eating disorders such as anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, body dysmorphia, and avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder (ARFID), the effects of alcoholic beverages, narcotics and other substances on the human system and through the study of such other subjects as will promote healthful living and help to establish proper health habits in the lives of school children;

Section 4. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Joint Resolution No. NSU-601

By: Wier (NSU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing Oklahoma Medicare and Private Insurance Companies to provide accessible, durable medical wigs under Medicare or Private Insurance Companies; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1st SESSION OF THE 51st OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. The Oklahoma Legislature shall refer to the vote of each chamber for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, a cranial prosthesis is a medical wig used as replacement hair for various medical phenomena, Cancer and Alopecia being of significance in our society.

WHEREAS, quality durable cranial prosthesis shall be provided by insurance companies or Medicare free-of-cost to the citizen upon prescription of durable medical equipment.

WHEREAS, cranial prosthesis shall be furnished to an individual, but only where the dermatologist, oncologist, or attending physician of the individual certifies in writing the medical necessity of such prostheses as part of a proposed course of rehabilitative treatment.

Section 2. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this resolution in both chambers, shall prepare and file one copy thereof with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Joint Resolution No. TU-601

By: Hensley (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection of a proposed amendment to Article II Section 35 of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; protection for same-sex marriages; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE

Section 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Article II Section 35 of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

SECTION II-35

- A. Marriage in this state shall consist of the union of two individuals. Neither this Constitution nor any other provision of law shall be construed to require that marital status or the legal incidents thereof be conferred upon unmarried couples or groups.
- B. Any person knowingly issuing a marriage license in violation of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

~~SECTION II-35~~

- ~~A. Marriage in this state shall consist only of the union of one man and one woman. Neither this Constitution nor any other provision of law shall be construed to require that marital status or the legal incidents thereof be conferred upon unmarried couples or groups.~~
- ~~B. A marriage between persons of the same gender performed in another state shall not be recognized as valid and binding in this state as of the date of the marriage.~~
- ~~C. Any person knowingly issuing a marriage license in violation of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.~~

Section 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in Section 1 of the joint resolution shall be in the following form:

OKLAHOMA RESPECT FOR MARRIAGE ACT

Legislative Referendum No. _____

State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Article II of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, protecting the rights of same-sex couples to enter into lawful marriage within the state of Oklahoma and to have lawful marriages conducted outside of Oklahoma recognized by the state.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE ADOPTED BY THE PEOPLE?

____ YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

____ NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Section 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in Section 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature
1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2023)

House Resolution No. OU-801

By: Cantrell (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

A resolution relating to the recognition of student press freedom

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING February 24, 2024, as Student Press Freedom
Day

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize February 24,
2024, as Student Press Freedom Day; and

WHEREAS, On February 24th, the Student Press Law Center is holding a
national day of action where student journalists in the
United States raise awareness of the challenges they face,
celebrate their contributions to their schools and
communities, and advocate to protect and restore their First
Amendment freedoms; and

WHEREAS, New Voices is a movement to guarantee student journalists in the
state the freedom to report without fear of consequence and
to protect teachers from retaliation for refusing to infringe
on their students' free speech rights; and

WHEREAS, Journalism is a pillar of democracy and a free press is protected by
the U.S. Constitution, the responsibility and freedoms
allowed therein should apply to student journalists guided
by educational institutions as well; and

WHEREAS, The integrity of journalism is tied to the independence journalists
have to dedicate themselves and their work to the Code of
Ethics as determined by the Society of Professional
Journalists; and

WHEREAS, Free and robust student journalism furthers the mission of public
education to produce engaged, civic-minded, critical
thinkers; and

WHEREAS, Student journalists are the next generation of journalists; they are increasingly the only source of local and education news in their communities; their work creates a historical record of their generation's experiences and provides an important service to the community; having more control over what they publish will support journalistic integrity and independence which is needed in a democratic society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize February 24, 2024, as Student Press Freedom Day; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Student Press Law Center, the state Journalism Education Association and National Scholastic Press Association Chapters, the state Journalism Education Association chapter; the state National Scholastic Press Association chapter; and the state College Media Association chapter and New Voices chapters throughout the State of Oklahoma.