

*Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature*



Spring 2024 Conference  
April 3rd - April 7th, 2024  
Oklahoma City, OK

**Evan Shaw**  
Governor

**Alaura Gilmore**  
Lieutenant Governor

**Caden Hayes**  
Chief Justice

**Adam Clifton**  
Speaker of the House

**Connor Boren**  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate



## Schedule of Events

Second Session of the Fifty-Fifth Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature

April 3<sup>rd</sup> – April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

NOTE: \*Highlighted events require an Activity Pass

### Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

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)
6:30 – 9:00 pm	Legislative Committee Meetings	Capitol
9:30 – 10:30 pm	*Activity Pass Event: Candidate Press Conference Panda Express	Hotel, Conference Room

### Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>

Time	Activity	Location
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Committee Meetings/General Session	Oklahoma Bar Association / Hotel, Conference Room
8:45 am – 12:00 pm	Moot Court Practice Rounds	Capitol, Courtroom / Exec Room
9:30 am – 11:30 pm	Elections	Oklahoma Bar Association / Hotel, Conference Room
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch   Grad School Panel	Oklahoma Bar Association
1:00 – 6:30 pm	Legislative Session	Oklahoma Bar Association / Sen. Chambers
1:00 – 3:30 pm	Moot Court Practice Rounds	Capitol, Courtroom / Exec Room
1:30 – 5:30 pm	Elections	Oklahoma Bar Association / Capitol, Health Nut Cafe
6:00 – 6:30 pm	Press Corps Meeting	Capitol, Press Room

**Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Legislative General Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
8:45 am – 12:00 pm	Moot Court Session	Capitol, Courtroom
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch / 5 Star Lunch	*TBD
1:00 – 9:00 pm	Moot Court Session	Capitol, Courtroom
1:00 – 9:00 pm	General Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Cabinet Meeting	Capitol, Exec Room
8:30 – 9:00 pm	Press Corps Meeting	Capitol, Press Room

**Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Legislative Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
9:45 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 – 4:00 pm	Moot Court Session	Capitol, Courtroom
1:00 – 9:00 pm	Legislative General Session	Rm 535 (SAR) / Senate Chambers
7:30 – 8:30 pm	Executive Branch Press Conference	Capitol, Courtroom
8:30 – 9:00 pm	Press Corps Meeting	Capitol, Press Room
9:00 – 11:00 pm	*Act. Pass Event: Game Night & Pizza	Hotel, Conference Room

**Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

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

# Delegation Chairs

Cameron University	Logan Edwards
East Central University	Katelyn Hayes
Northeastern State University	Christopher Wier
Northwestern Oklahoma State University	Jacob Martin
Oklahoma Baptist University	Sydney Gardner
Oklahoma City Community College	Renner Howell
Oral Roberts University	Patrick Humphrey
Oklahoma State University	Ashton Tate
Oklahoma Wesleyan University	Connor Walcher
Rose State College	Dynasty Poire
Southern Nazarene University	Noelle Brezillac
Southeastern Oklahoma State University	Calia Walker
Southwestern Oklahoma State University	Faith Gregory
University of Oklahoma	Amanda McCumber
University of Tulsa	Alex Thomason
University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma	Halli Humphrey

# Steering Committee

Governor	Evan Shaw
Lieutenant Governor	Alaura Gilmore
President Pro Tempore of the Senate	Connor Boren
Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate	Audrey Fleschute
Speaker of the House	Adam Clifton
Speaker Pro Tempore of the House	Daytona Hodson
Attorney General	Renner Howell
Secretary of State	Marley Hutchins
Press Secretary	Jessica Zimmerman
Chief Justice	Caden Hayes
Vice Chief Justice	Sydney Adkins

# Office of the Governor

Chief of Staff	Alexis Ruiz
Director of Budget and Finance	Wesley Hurlbut
Director of Technology	Wyatt Moore
Director of Fundraising	Carmen Gonser
Director of Retention	Aiden Minton
Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion	Phyllis Bell
Director of Recruitment	Andrew Gardner
Director of Delegation Resources	Sydney Gardner

# Senate Leadership

Secretary	Austin Floyd
Floor Leader	Kai Marron
President's Clerk	Jake Saunders
Legal Counsel	Sydney White
Head Freshman Liaison	Tabitha Baggett
Head Sergeant-At-Arms	John Haner
Rules Committee Chair	Austin Floyd
Parliamentarian	Brady Robison
Standards & Ethics Chair	Patrick Humphrey
Judiciary Committee Chair	Wesley Hurlbut

# House Leadership

Chief Clerk Administrator	Jacob Schonfield
Floor Leader	Madeline Cantrell
Floor Leader	Alex Thomason
Head Parliamentarian	Jaden Hansen
Head Freshman Liaison	Audrey Bishop
Chief Legislative Counselor	Amanda McCumber
Head Sergeant-at-Arms	Avery McIntyre
Ethics Chair	Eduardo Miranda

# Supreme Court

Chief Justice	Caden Hayes
Vice Chief Justice	Sydney Adkins
Associate Justice	Caleb Dorsten
Associate Justice	Faith Pratt
Associate Justice	Seth Young
Associate Justice	Kaitlyn Wadley
Associate Justice	Caroline Kizziar
Associate Justice	Savannah Valgora

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# INTERNAL LEGISLATION

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Internal Joint Resolution No. ALU-101

Boren of the Senate (ALU)  
Clifton of the House (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Article Two, Section One and Article Eleven, Section Five of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Constitution; elevating the Press Secretary to the Board of Directors; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND 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 Two, Section One of the Constitution of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature to read as follows:

The organization shall have a Board of Directors consisting of ~~five (5)~~ six (6) members, who shall be the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, ~~and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and the Press Secretary.~~ The Board, and members of the Board, shall exercise only such powers and responsibilities as it is expressly required to, and granted to, exercise under the laws of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, the State of Oklahoma, and the United States.

Section 2. 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 Eleven, Section Five of the Constitution of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature to read as follows:

The journalism competition shall be governed according to statute and regulations promulgated by the Press Secretary. At no time shall the Press Secretary or other official have sole discretion to award competition points for this competition, besides discretionary points.

Section 3. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in Section 1 and Section 2 of this resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Constitutional Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Section 1 of Article 2 of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Constitution. This section defines the membership of the Board of Directors. This measure adds the Press Secretary to the Board of Directors. This measure additionally amends Section 5 of Article 11 of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Constitution. This section governs the journalism competition. This measure allows the Press Secretary to award discretionary points.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES \_\_\_\_\_

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO \_\_\_\_\_

- Section 4. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall, immediately after the passage of this resolution, 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Internal Joint Resolution No. ALU-102

Boren of the Senate (ALU)  
Clifton of the House (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Article Five, Section Three of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Constitution; clarifying the bill signing procedures; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND 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 Five, Section Three of the Constitution of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature to read as follows:

Every measure intended to become law which shall have passed both Houses of the Legislature shall, before it becomes law, be presented to the Governor, if he or she approves he or she shall sign it; if not, he or she shall return it with his or her objections to the House in which it originated, who may then proceed to reconsider it. If after such reconsideration, two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates of the House shall agree to pass the measure, it shall then be sent together with the objections to the other House, by which it may be considered likewise; and if approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates of that House it shall become law, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor. But in all cases the votes of both Houses shall be determined by the yeas and nays. If any measure shall not be returned by the Governor within one (1) day after it shall have been presented to him or her, the same shall be law, in a manner as if he or she had signed it. No measure shall become law after final adjournment of the Legislature, except that which the Governor who was in office when the measure passed through both Houses shall sign within fourteen (14) days after adjournment. All measures requiring the concurrence of two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates of both Houses shall require a concurrence of three-fourths (3/4) for passage over the objections of the Governor.

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

BALLOT TITLE

Constitutional Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Section 3 of Article 5 of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Constitution. This section provides the process for a bill becoming law. This measure clarifies that the Governor who was in office when the measure passed through the legislature shall be the Governor with the authority to sign a bill into law during the 14 day window after the close of session.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES \_\_\_\_\_

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO \_\_\_\_\_

Section 3. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall, immediately after the passage of this resolution, 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-001

Boren of the Senate (ALU)  
Clifton of the House (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the Press Secretary; providing short title; providing for codification; amending O.I.L.S. Title Two, Chapter One, Section 100; amending O.I.L.S. Title Two, Chapter Two, Section 200; amending O.I.L.S. Title Nine, Chapter One, Section 100; amending O.I.L.S. Title Nine, Chapter One, Section 104; repealing O.I.L.S. Title Five, Chapter Six, Section 610; declaring severability; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Press Secretary Act of 2024”.

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes Title Five, Chapter Six: Press Secretary to read as follows, with any duplication in numberings created being renumbered as necessary:

Section 600. The Governor shall, with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint a Press Secretary who shall be head of the department known as the "Office of the Press Secretary" to be composed of the Press Secretary, the Deputy Press Secretary, and their appointees.

- A. The Press Secretary shall serve for two (2) conferences. During the last conference of their term, the Press Secretary shall declare if they wish to be retained. Upon such a declaration, a question shall be submitted during that conference to the membership of the organization in a non-partisan, noncompetitive manner: "Shall the Press Secretary be retained for an additional term?" If the Press Secretary does not wish to be retained or does not receive a majority of votes cast on the question of retention they shall then be removed at the conclusion of his or her term. In the event of such an outcome in the retention process, or if a Press Secretary declares that they will resign at the end of a conference, the Governor shall be authorized to appoint, with the advice and consent of the Senate, a new Press Secretary who will take office at the conclusion of the conference.
- B. The Press Secretary must indicate to the Secretary of State, in writing, whether or not they desire to be retained. If the Press Secretary fails to indicate their preference, in writing, they shall not be eligible for retention during the remainder of that conference.

- C. A Press Secretary who fails to get a sufficient number of votes to be retained or who chooses not to run for retention shall leave office upon adjournment Sine Die of that conference.
- D. A Press Secretary who fails retention or resigns from their office is not eligible for reappointment to the same office until such time as one (1) full regular conference shall have elapsed between the time the Press Secretary resigns or fails to be retained and the time he or she is reappointed to the office.

Section 601. The Press Secretary shall, with the approval of the Governor and with advice and consent of the Senate, appoint a Deputy Press Secretary who shall to assist them in the execution of their duties. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the Press Secretary, the Deputy Press Secretary shall have the authority to fulfill all duties and responsibilities of the Press Secretary until such a time as the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a new Press Secretary to serve the remainder of the term.

Section 602. No person shall serve as Press Secretary who shall not have been a member of the organization for the duration of at least two (2) regular conferences except by means of succession. No person shall serve as Deputy Press Secretary who shall not have been a member of the organization for at least the duration of one (1) regular conference.

Section 603. The Press Secretary and Deputy Press Secretary shall be restricted from being a member of either the Legislative or Judicial branches.

Section 604. The Press Secretary may appoint such assistants with the Governor's approval as may be deemed necessary. Such appointments shall not grant membership. Membership must be obtained by some other means. Assistant Press Secretaries may not serve as any legislative officer that also serves as a member of the Steering Committee.

Section 605. The Press Secretary shall be responsible for media relations and all other external relations of the Organization as directed by the Governor and shall supervise all publications to ensure that the content will not misrepresent OIL.

Section 606. The Office of the Press Secretary, under the direction of the Press Secretary and Deputy Press Secretary, shall be responsible for the coordination and activities of the Journalism Program. Delegations shall be responsible for the recruitment and selection of their journalists, subject to the registration maximum set by the Press Secretary.

Section 607. The Office of the Press Secretary shall promulgate all rules and regulations for the Journalism Competition.



- A. The rules, regulations, and policies governing the Journalism Competition must be ratified by a simple majority vote of the Steering Committee prior to each regular session of the Legislature.
  - a. If the Steering Committee fails to approve the rules, regulations, and policies governing the Journalism Competition, then the previous regular session's Journalism Competition rules, regulations, and policies, shall remain enacted.
- B. Any delegate or member wishing to challenge any rule, regulation, or policy, under this section, shall file their challenge with the Attorney General. The Attorney General shall have twenty-four (24) hours to issue a legally binding ruling on the specific rule being challenged. Upon the ruling being issued, either the Press Secretary or the party which requested the ruling shall have seventy-two (72) hours to appeal that ruling with the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court shall have final jurisdiction on determining the legality, validity, and fairness of any rule which has been challenged.

Section 3. AMENDATORY O.I.L.S. Title Two, Chapter One, Section 100 is amended to read as follows:

The Board of Directors shall consist of ~~five (5)~~ six (6) members: the Governor, who shall serve as its Chairman, the Lieutenant Governor, who shall serve as the Vice Chairman, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, ~~and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and the Press Secretary.~~ The Secretary of State shall serve as Board Secretary and shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors, but shall not be a voting member of it. The Attorney General shall serve as legal counsel to the Board of Directors, and shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors, but shall not be a voting member of it.

- 1. The Governor shall cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie within the Board of Directors.

Section 4. AMENDATORY O.I.L.S. Title Two, Chapter One, Section 200 is amended to read as follows:

The Steering Committee shall consist of ~~eleven (11)~~ twelve (12) members: the Governor, who shall be its Chairman, the Lieutenant Governor, who shall be its Vice Chairman, the President Pro Tempore, the Deputy President Pro Tempore, the Speaker of the House, the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, who shall serve as its Secretary, the Press Secretary, the Deputy Press Secretary, the Chief Justice, and the Vice Chief Justice

1. The Governor shall cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie within the Steering Committee.

Section 5. AMENDATORY O.I.L.S. Title Nine, Chapter One, Section 100 is amended to read as follows:

3. The Press Secretary shall be allotted ~~ten (10)~~ twelve (12) points. Two (2) of the points shall be awarded at the Press Secretary's discretion. The remainder of the points ~~They~~ must be awarded for the OIL Journalism program according to the following manner:
  - i. The winner of the Journalism Competition shall receive five (5) points, the runner up shall receive three (3) points, and the 2nd runner up shall receive two (2) points.
  - ii. The winner, runner up, and second runner up shall be determined by ~~a panel of three officials, composed of the Attorney General, the Press Secretary, and the Lt. Governor~~ the Press Secretary and Deputy Press Secretary under the oversight of the Chief of Staff.

Section 6. AMENDATORY O.I.L.S. Title Nine, Chapter One, Section 104 is amended to read as follows:

There is hereby created a "Distinguished Delegate Award". This award shall be given to a delegate or member who has gone "above and beyond" what is expected out of a delegate or member of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, and shall receive a trophy stating as such. This award shall not consist of any points, and therefore shall not impact the outcome of the "Outstanding Delegation Award".

- A. Any delegate or member may submit a nomination for this award, in writing, to the Secretary of State, who shall then submit it to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall then choose who receives this award. If any member of the Board of Directors is nominated for this award, they shall be recused from the decision making process, and shall nominate another member of the Steering Committee to take their place for the sole purpose of deciding this award.
- B. Should the decision of the Board of Directors be tied, the Governor shall cast the deciding vote. If the Governor shall have been recused from the decision making process, the Lieutenant Governor shall cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie. If both the Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall have been recused, the member of the Steering Committee nominated by the Governor shall cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie.

Section 7. REPEALER O.I.L.S. Title Five, Chapter Six, Section 610 is hereby repealed.

~~The Press Secretary shall:~~

~~A. Be responsible for media relations and all other external relations as an officer included within Office of the Governor.~~

~~B. May appoint assistants with the consent of the Governor. Such appointees must hold, and continue to hold, membership in the Organization in some other capacity.~~

~~C. Be restricted from being a member of either the Legislative or Judicial branches.~~

~~D. Be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate.~~

~~E. The Press Secretary shall be responsible for the coordination and activities of the OIL Journalism Program. The procedures of the Journalism Program will be given to the Rules Committee of each Chamber, particularly those pertaining to the selection of the winner. Furthermore, the Attorney General shall supervise the daily productions to ensure that the content will not misrepresent OIL.~~

~~F. The Press Secretary shall promulgate all rules and regulations for the OIL Journalism Program. Delegations shall be responsible for the recruitment and selection of their journalists, subject to the registration maximum set by the Press Secretary. Any member of OIL may, with the support of two members of the OIL Board of Directors, appeal for reconsideration to the OIL Board of Directors for such rules, regulations, and judging rubrics. A majority vote of the OIL Board of Directors may overturn said rules following an appeal.~~

Section 8. SEVERABILITY

Section 5 of this act is distinct and severable from the remainder of the act. If any other provision of this bill or its application is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect the validity of Section 5. If Section 5, or any portion thereof, or the application of Section 5, or any portion thereof, is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the act. However, the remainder of the act is inseverable from Section 3. If any provision of Section 3, or its application, is held invalid, the remainder of the act, with the exception of Section 5, is null and void.

Section 9. This act shall become effective immediately upon passage of any amendment to the OIL Constitution establishing the Press Secretary as a member of the OIL Board of Directors.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-002

Boren of the Senate (ALU)  
Clifton of the House (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the session laws packet; providing short title; amending 5 O.I.L.S. § 505.A; 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 “Session Laws Packet Act of 2024”.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 5 O.I.L.S. § 502.A is amended to read as follows:

1. The Governor shall work with the Secretary of State on ensuring the distribution of the digest of “O.I.L. Session Laws” to the membership of the Legislature of the State of Oklahoma, and all other governmental leaders of the State of Oklahoma and of the United States as the Governor sees fit. Following the spring session, the outgoing Governor and Secretary of State shall have the authority to distribute the digest of session laws passed during their term of office. If these officers do not undertake this project, the sitting Governor shall have the authority to take on such responsibility.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-003

Boren of the Senate (ALU)  
Clifton of the House (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to delegation funds; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending O.I.L.S. Title Six, Chapter One, Section 108; amending O.I.L.S. Title Six, Chapter Two, Section 200.A; 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 Fund Act of 2024.”

Section 2. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes Title Six, Chapter Three, Section 306 to read as follows:

There is hereby created a Delegation Fund of the organization to be administered by the Board of Directors.

- A. All profits made through an official OIL shop shall be automatically appropriated to the Delegation Fund.
- B. The OIL Delegation Fund shall be accounted separately by the OIL Foundation and accessible only as provided in subsection C.
- C. The Delegation Fund shall be accessed and administered solely by the OIL Board of Directors, upon a supermajority vote, and in accordance with the guidelines set forth in subsection D.
- D. The Delegation Fund may be accessed only for the benefit of delegations and only in the event that the delegation:
  1. Is experiencing or recovering from a state of emergency; or
  2. Is actively seeking to become an established and chartered delegation at their institution
- E. The Delegation Fund may be administered and disbursed for the costs of session as the OIL Board of Directors sees fit and need not apply only to registration fees.

Section 3. AMENDATORY O.I.L.S. Title Six, Chapter One, Section 108 is amended to read as follows:

There shall be a fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35) per delegate assessed to each delegation for the purchase of the “Annual Activity Pass”. This fee shall only be assessed to each specific delegation for the total amount of activity passes that delegation purchases. This fee shall be styled the “Food and Activity Pass Fee”.

- A. There is hereby created a subaccount of the general operating budget entitled “Food and Activity Pass Account” to be entrusted to the care of the Lieutenant Governor. The funds received from the Food and Activity Pass Fee shall be deposited into the aforementioned subaccount, and all funds used to fund the Food and Activity Pass events shall come from the same account.
- B. Following the close of each legislative session, after all debts incurred in relation to the Food and Activity Pass have been paid, any funds remaining in the “Food and Activity Pass Account” shall be disbursed into the “Delegation Fund”, unless, by a super-majority, the Board of Directors directs those funds, or a portion of those funds, to be disbursed to the “Contingency Fund.”

Section 4. AMENDATORY O.I.L.S. Title Six, Chapter Two, Section 200.A is amended to read as follows:

Funds allocated to an account or subaccount may not be removed without the consent of the officer in whose care the money is entrusted. In the event that funds appropriated to an account or subaccount are not spent by the close of the legislative session, all excess funds shall be returned to the OIL general operating budget, unless directed elsewhere by statute, or, by a super-majority, the Board of Directors directs those funds, or a portion of those funds, be dispersed to the “Contingency Fund.”

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

Section 6. 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.

2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Internal Bill No. ALU-004

Boren of the Senate (ALU)  
Clifton of the House (ALU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to elections; providing short title; amending O.I.L.S. Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 100; 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 “Election Reform Act of 2024”.

Section 2. AMENDATORY O.I.L.S. Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 100 is amended to read as follows:

1. All general elections for offices in the Executive Branch shall be held ~~on the second day of~~ during the Spring Conference, provided that they shall not occur on the first or final day of the conference. All other needed general elections related to Judicial Retention and Constitutional Amendments shall be held ~~on the second day of~~ during each Regular Session.
  - a. The specific date of the election shall be chosen by a simple majority vote of the Steering Committee prior to each regular session of the Legislature. The Secretary of State shall notify the Chairperson of the Election Commission in writing of the decision of the Steering Committee prior to each session.
  - b. If the Steering Committee fails to approve a date for elections to take place, then they shall be held on the second day of the Regular Session, unless:
    - i. The House and Senate are meeting in separate locations on the second day of the regular session or,
    - ii. There are four (4) or fewer hours between the scheduled end of lunch and the close of the legislative day on the second day of the regular session.In either of the aforementioned cases, elections shall be held on the third day of the regular session. However if both the second and third day are similarly restricted, elections shall be held on the second day.
  - c. All candidates for offices in the Executive Branch, candidates for Judicial Retention, and proposed Constitutional Amendments shall be listed separately on a singular ballot.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Internal Resolution No. ALU- 801

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AS INTRODUCED

A Simple Resolution proposing changes to the House Standing Rules of Order; repealing the House Standing Rules of Order; providing for codification; providing effective date; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives is vested with the authority to determine its own Standing Rules; and,

WHEREAS, The House Standing Rules of Order does not provide for amendment to the same; and,

WHEREAS, Several changes which this body had previously adopted to the House Standing Rules of Order have not been reflected in this same document; and,

WHEREAS, The House Standing Rules of Order has within it many inconsistencies in formatting and otherwise; and,

WHEREAS, Many sections of the House Standing Rules of Order fail to reflect the processes and procedures by which the House has operated for multiple sessions; and,

WHEREAS, The House Standing Rules of Order does not provide for the succession of House leadership roles; and,

WHEREAS, There should be a committee whose duty it is to review the Standing Rules for necessary changes; and,

WHEREAS, There should be a committee whose duty it is to create as positive of an experience and environment as possible for all delegates within the House; and,

WHEREAS, The sum of the proposed changes are too many to enumerate individually here.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

THAT, All former House Standing Rules of Order are hereby repealed;

AND THAT, The House Standing Rules of Order shall be replaced in their entirety by the following:

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature

House of Representatives

Standing Rules of Order

Updated 03/12/24

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## **Rule 0: PREFACE**

### Section 1. Application

- A. From the time of their adoption by a majority of the members of the House of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, the following Rules shall be the Rules for the conduct of business by the body, except wherein these Rules are found to conflict with the Constitution of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, in which case they shall not be valid, House approval notwithstanding.

### Section 2. Purpose

- A. The purpose of these Rules is to accomplish the following:
  - a. Provide the members of the House uniform, easily understood procedures for the conduct of business of the House.
  - b. Provide a model that approximates as closely as possible the rules of the Oklahoma State House of Representatives.

### Section 3. Interpretation

- A. The Rules shall be interpreted consistent with the purpose herein stated. Interpretation of the Rules shall be made by the Presiding Officer, when the House is in daily session; by the Chair, or in their absence the Vice-Chair of a committee, when a committee is meeting, and at all other times by the Speaker of the House. Such interpretations shall be final unless an appeal of the ruling is made successfully in the following manner:
  - a. Following the ruling by the Presiding Officer or the Chair, whichever is appropriate, but before other business is transacted by the House or by the committee, a member of the House or the committee may appeal the ruling by offering a substitute ruling.
  - b. Once a motion to adopt a substitute ruling is made, no other business shall be transacted until the motion is disposed of by the House or the committee.

### Section 4. Amendment

- A. These rules may be amended or repealed, via simple resolution, only upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members of the House.
- B. Any amendment to these rules, or any amendment to any resolution that aims to amend these rules, may be approved only upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote

of the members of the House.

#### Section 5. Suspension

- A. These Rules may be suspended only upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members of the House present and voting.

#### Section 6. Accommodations

- A. At the discretion of the Speaker of the House, these Rules and any directive thereto may be excepted by a request from any member needing an accommodation due to disability at the discretion of the Speaker of the House. Any such request failed to be granted by the Speaker of the House may be appealed to the House Committee on Rules, where it may be granted by a simple majority vote.

### **Rule 1: DEFINITIONS**

Gross Violation: any action that could reasonably be expected to bring significant harm to the House or the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature. The House Committee on Rules shall have the discretion to decide specific actions constituting gross violations based on the procedure outlined in Rule 15, Section 6, Subsection A.

Legislative Day: the period between the convening and adjournment of the House, as set forth in the convention schedule, or by the declaration of the Presiding Officer.

Objection to Consideration: the purpose of the objection to consideration is to bar from discussion or consideration “any matter that is considered irrelevant, contentious or unprofitable, or that, for any reason, is thought not advisable to discuss.”

Procedural Motion: any motion that relates to either the manner in which the body conducts its business or the manner in which the body deals with a substantive matter or motion before it. Voting on the passage of a bill is not considered a procedural motion.

Quorum: fifty-percent (50%) of the registered members of the House for a given session, plus one (1).

### **Rule 2: OFFICERS**

Section 1. Officers of the House of Representatives shall include, but not be limited to: Speaker of the House, Speaker Pro Tempore, Chief Clerk Administrator, Floor Leader, Head Freshman Liaison, Parliamentarian, Chief Legislative Council, and Chief Sergeants-at-Arms. All appointed officers shall serve at the pleasure of the Speaker.

Section 2. Duties of the Speaker of the House

- A. The Speaker of the House, from here on referred to as “the Speaker,” shall have the Chair each day at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned, call the House to order and, with a quorum present, shall proceed with the business of the House. The Speaker may designate any member of the House of Representatives to preside in their absence for a period of not longer than one (1) legislative day.
- B. The Speaker shall have the general control of the Chamber of the House and the parts of the Capitol Building and/or other facilities assigned to the House. In case of any disturbances or disorderly conduct from members, alumni, or other persons therein, the Speaker shall have the power to order the same to be cleared.
- C. The Speaker shall be vested discretionary power to send communications to the Senate on all subjects where the Speaker may deem it necessary or expedient.
- D. The Speaker shall appoint standing committees and subcommittees, if deemed necessary, to report upon the subjects named and such other matters as may be referred to them. The Speaker shall appoint such special committees as they determine to be necessary. The Speaker shall assign committee rooms to the various standing and special committees. The Speaker shall be an ex-officio voting member of all standing and special committees.
- E. The Speaker shall ensure that the report provided to them by the House Committee on the Standing Rules shall be provided to the leadership of each delegation prior to that session’s post-mortem. The Speaker shall discuss the report during the post-mortem.

### Section 3. Duties of the Speaker Pro Tempore

- A. In the absence of the Speaker, the Speaker Pro Tempore, as Presiding Officer, shall take the Chair each day at the hour to which the House has adjourned, call the House to order, and, with a quorum present, shall proceed with the business of the House. In the absence of the Speaker, the Speaker Pro Tempore may designate any member of the House of Representatives as Presiding Officer in their absence for a period of not longer than one (1) legislative day.
- B. The Speaker Pro Tempore shall be the Chair of the House Advisory Committee and shall give a report of said committee to the House Committee on Rules once per day in conjunction with the report of the Head Freshman Liaison.
- C. The Speaker Pro Tempore shall perform all duties of the Speaker, save the duty of appointment of House officers, in the absence of the Speaker and shall

serve as an ex-officio voting member of all standing and special committees.

#### Section 4. Duties of the Presiding Officer

- A. The Presiding Officer may establish the presence of a quorum of a majority of the members of the House present to conduct voting on a piece of legislation. Debate and procedural motions may be conducted without a quorum for a period of no longer than one (1) legislative day.
- B. Recess in the absence of a quorum may be called at any time by the Presiding Officer, and such a declaration shall not require a motion from the floor, nor shall such a motion be appealed.
- C. The Presiding Officer shall maintain order and decorum in the Chamber, shall prevent personal reflections or the impugning of the motive of any member during debate, and shall confine members in debate to the question under discussion.
- D. The Presiding Officer shall have the authority not to recognize any motion before the body if they deem the motion to be hindering to the orders of the day.
- E. When two (2) or more members seek recognition at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall name the one (1) entitled to the Floor.
- F. On all questions relative to the transgression of these rules, the Presiding Officer shall call the member to order. In such a case, the member so called to order may potentially be asked to sit down at the discretion of the Presiding Officer, and shall not rise except to explain said member's actions as requested by the Presiding Officer, or to proceed in order. Any member may rise to a point of order against any other member when, in the member's opinion, such member is proceeding out of order. Such a point of order shall be decided by the Presiding Officer without debate, subject to appeal of the House.
- G. The Presiding Officer shall certify the passage of all bills and resolutions. Such certifications shall be made while the House is in session.

#### Section 5. Duties of the Chief Clerk Administrator

- A. Communications shall be prepared by the Chief Clerk Administrator under the direction of and in the name of the Speaker.
- B. Prior to session, the Chief Clerk Administrator shall create the legislative committee list and submit it to the Speaker for any revisions.

- C. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall keep a list of those willing to serve as a Speaker's Clerk or Reader's Clerk and shall refresh these delegates throughout the day, permitting that there is enough space for them at the dais.
- D. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall oversee the technological and physical aspects of keeping the bills updated concerning amendment changes or any other changes deemed necessary.
  - a. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall maintain the most recently updated version of the House Standing Rules on the House portion of the O.I.L. website, a printed copy in the Chief Clerk Administrator box, and a digital copy on the Chief Clerk Administrator Google Drive.
  - b. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall endeavor to maintain the portion of the O.I.L. website that pertains to the House competition while serving in their role.
  - c. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall be responsible for creating the Legislation Tracker for session, and shall also be responsible for keeping the House's portion of the Legislation Tracker up to date.
  - d. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall create the House's attendance roster(s) and keep records of House attendance throughout session.
- E. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall keep an account of the votes of the House Committee on Rules throughout the legislative period.
- F. At the discretion of the Speaker, the Chief Clerk Administrator shall be assigned at least one (1) assistant who may assist the Chief Clerk Administrator in their duties as requested.
- G. At the discretion of the Speaker, the Chief Clerk Administrator shall serve as an ex-officio voting member of all standing and special committees.

#### Section 6. Duties of the Floor Leader

- A. The Floor Leader shall possess all official legislation in House custody.
- B. Prior to session, the Floor Leader is responsible for assembling the official bill folders of the House.
- C. The agenda for items to be considered on the Floor shall be determined by the Floor Leader at the discretion of the Speaker. The agenda shall be shared with the body of the House prior to the beginning of the legislative day.



- D. The Floor Leader shall be responsible for the transportation of all legislation in the possession of the House to wherever it belongs.
- E. At the discretion of the Speaker, the Floor Leader shall be assigned at least one (1) assistant who may assist the Floor Leader in their duties as requested.
- F. At the discretion of the Speaker, the Floor Leader shall relinquish all legislation under immediate consideration to the House Chief Clerk, and serve as an ex-officio voting member of all standing and special committees.

#### Section 7. Duties of the Head Freshman Liaison

- A. The Head Freshman Liaison shall oversee the freshman liaisons and shall focus on freshman delegates' understanding of the legislative process, involvement in the legislative process, and overall experience.
- B. The Head Freshman Liaison shall be in charge of the freshman liaisons, who shall be appointed by the Speaker.
- C. The Head Freshman Liaison shall create and oversee all freshman liaison groups, and be the primary point of contact for any issues that may arise within these groups.
- D. The Head Freshman shall assist the Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore with the Freshman Orientation at the beginning of session.
- E. The Head Freshman Liaison shall be the Vice-Chair of the House Advisory Committee.
- F. The Head Freshman Liaison shall keep account of votes made by the House Advisory Committee throughout the legislative period to be reported to the House Committee on Rules.

#### Section 8. Duties of the Chief Legislative Counselor

- A. The Chief Legislative Counselor shall oversee the review of all legislation submitted by House members for the purposes of submitting recommendations to their subsequent House Committees.
- B. The Chief Legislative Counselor shall oversee the preparation of a spreadsheet or other form of the recommendations for each piece of legislation in a House Committee. Such recommendations include, but are not limited to: dilatory matters, formatting errors, numbering errors, spelling errors, grammar errors, and other scrivener's errors.
- C. The Chief Legislative Counselor shall also oversee the review of all House bills and resolutions for inspection of state and federal constitutionality,

inspection of relevant court proceedings, and analyzing the anticipated degree of contest.

a. The Chief Legislative Counselor shall forward a report of the forecasted length of contest for each bill to the Speaker and Floor Leader.

D. Upon direct instruction by the Speaker, the Chief Legislative Counselor shall serve as Chief Legal Counselor to represent the House in an O.I.L. court proceeding.

#### Section 9. Duties of the Parliamentarian

A. The Parliamentarian shall advise the Presiding Officer, as necessary, in the proper use of parliamentary procedure as outlined in these Rules, the Rules of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, and *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure (2020 Edition)*.

B. In the event of a parliamentary error, it is the duty of the Parliamentarian to rise to a Point of Order to advise the Presiding Officer of said error. The Presiding Officer shall make the final ruling.

C. At the discretion of the Speaker, the Parliamentarian shall be assigned at least one (1) assistant who may assist the Parliamentarian in their duties as requested.

#### Section 10. Duties of the Chief Sergeant-at-Arms

A. The Chief Sergeant-at-Arms shall ensure members are properly following House Rules and House Customs, and, at the request of the Speaker or Presiding Officer, seal chambers, perform a call to the House, escort a dignitary to the front podium in the event of the dignitary being granted permission to address the House, and perform other tasks as deemed necessary by the Speaker or Presiding Officer.

B. The Chief Sergeant-at-Arms shall be aware of the Speaker's location at all times, allowing for prompt retrieval of the Speaker in case of emergency.

C. At the discretion of the Speaker, there shall be assigned at least one (1) Sergeant-at-Arms who may assist the Chief Sergeant-at-Arms in their duties as requested.

#### Section 11. The Succession of House Leadership

A. In the event that the Speaker should be incapacitated or otherwise unable to conduct their duties and they have not provided an alternate plan of succession in their absence, the responsibilities of the Speaker and all other subsequent positions will descend in the following order;

- a. Speaker Pro Tempore
- b. Floor Leader
- c. Head Freshman Liaison
- d. Chief Clerk Administrator
- e. Parliamentarian
- f. Chief Legislative Counsel

B. In the event that this plan of succession shall be utilized, the recipient of the responsibilities of the Speaker and all other subsequent positions shall retain said responsibilities for a period of not longer than one (1) legislative day at a time.

C. Upon the return of the Speaker during the same Legislative Session, they shall regain their former position and responsibilities.

### **Rule 3: PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR**

Section 1. The floor of the House of Representatives shall be occupied only by its members and officers, provided aides and officials of the State of Oklahoma shall have complete access to the Floor. Select members of the Senate of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature shall be allowed only as specified by the Speaker. No executive officer, judicial officer, alumni, or visitor shall occupy the Floor without the express consent of the Speaker provided that any officer of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature may, in cases of emergency, enter the House Chambers.

Section 2. No person, except a member of the House, shall occupy the chair of any Representative at any time, without the consent of the Speaker, except during a joint session of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature.

Section 3. Members of the Oklahoma Legislature, the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Governor, or any other elected or appointed official of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature may address the House of Representatives upon receiving explicit permission from the Speaker. If the Speaker is physically unable to grant permission, the Chief of Staff may approach the Presiding Officer to receive permission in order for the Presiding Officer to make the necessary announcement in the House. The Presiding Officer may or may not grant the privilege subject to appeal as described herein. Upon receiving permission, the dignitary will be escorted to the front podium of the House along with a Sergeant-at-Arms, provided the Sergeant-at-Arms informs the Speaker. All pending business shall be suspended until after the dignitary has concluded their speech. No such address shall exceed seven (7) minutes including questions.

Section 4. All guest speakers to the House of Representatives shall be limited to a total time of fifteen (15) minutes, including questions.

Section 5. The Speaker shall have the authority to void the time constraints in Sections 3 and 4 of this rule for any specific time should they, in their opinion, feel that it would reflect poorly upon the House of Representatives to remove any such speaker from the podium.

#### **Rule 4: COMMITTEES**

##### Section 1. Standing Committees

- A. Standing committees shall be under the direction of the Speaker.
- B. Any House committee shall have the authority to issue processes, compel the attendance of witnesses, and administer oaths to any person appearing before any said committee.
- C. No standing committee shall sit during a session of the House without special leave of the Speaker.

##### Section 2. Special Committees

- A. Special Committees shall be appointed by the Speaker and shall serve at their pleasure.
- B. Such a committee shall be immediately dissolved after such time as its function has been properly executed.

##### Section 3. Legislative Committees

- A. The legislative committees shall be created by the Chief Clerk Administrator, with approval from the Speaker.
- B. It shall be the duty of each legislative committee to go over the notes of legislative counsel to ensure that all bills are not dilatory or incorrectly formatted. These committees shall also rank the top two (2) to three (3) pieces of legislation assigned to them.
- C. The legislative committees, or any committee acting in a similar capacity, shall select one (1) of the following recommendations for the main motion before them: "Do Pass," "No Recommendation," "Do Not Pass," or "Do Fail." Those bills or resolutions receiving "Do Fail" shall not be considered on the Floor of the House.

##### Section 4. Ex Officio Officers

- A. Under no circumstances shall more than three (3) ex officio voting officers be allowed to vote at the same time in any one (1) committee, whether standing or special, except in the House Committee on Rules and the House Appropriations Committee.

#### Section 5. Minority Reports

- A. If a decision is made in a committee without unanimous approval then a minority report may be filed by a member of the minority within the committee.
- B. A minority report must be signed by the Representative filing the report and by the Chair of the committee in which the minority report originated. They will be provided to the Chief Clerk Administrator.
- C. A minority report shall not be accepted unless the same is filed within twelve (12) hours after the majority report is filed.

### **Rule 5: THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES**

#### Section 1. Membership

- A. The Speaker shall be the chair of the House Committee on Rules
- B. There shall be a Committee on Rules made up solely of members of the House who shall be appointed by the Speaker and shall serve at their pleasure. The House Committee on Rules shall consist of at least seven (7) members of the House appointed by the Speaker with a maximum of ten (10) members, four (4) of whom shall be the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Chief Clerk Administrator, the Floor Leader, and the Head Freshman Liaison. All members of this committee shall retain anonymity as best as they can toward competitors outside the committee. All individuals on the committee will be barred from winning individual awards within the House.
  - a. Non-ex-officio members appointed to this committee prior to the adjournment of each regular session shall serve throughout the interim until the first day of the following regular session. If, for any reason, one of the several seats of this committee shall become vacant during the interim, it shall remain so until the first day of the following regular session.
- C. The Speaker shall endeavor to ensure that the House Committee on Rules shall be made up of individuals from varied backgrounds, delegations, and delegation sizes to ensure that the membership of the body is represented

within the committee while retaining the secrecy and professionalism of the House Committee on Rules.

## Section 2. Duties

- A. The House Committee on Rules shall meet once per legislative day.
- B. The Committee shall have such powers and duties as herein described, provided the Speaker may augment these powers and duties in such a manner to aid in the operation of the House as they see fit, subject to appeal by the members of the House as herein described.
- C. All committee reports on bills and resolutions of the House of Representatives shall be given to the Speaker who may present the same to the Committee on Rules. Bills and resolutions receiving “Do Not Pass,” “Do Fail,” “No Recommendation,” or no considerations may be granted a “Do Pass” or “No Recommendation” recommendation by the Committee on Rules.
  - a. In all such cases, the Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore shall consult with the Chief Legislative Counsel and Chair of the Legislative committee which originally heard the bill to ensure that the issue(s) within the legislation can be resolved.
- D. Time for debate shall be set at the opening of each session by the Speaker as recommended by the Committee on Rules.
- E. All House legislation pertaining to internal matters of the organization shall be assigned to the House Committee on Rules.
- F. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Rules to utilize that information submitted to them by the House Advisory Committee, in addition to the committee members’ first-hand experiences on the floor, to fairly and appropriately award the House internal awards such as Best Legislation, Best Delegate, and Best Freshman.

## **Rule 6: HOUSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### Section 1. Membership

- A. The House Advisory Committee shall be comprised of the freshman liaisons appointed by the Speaker, as well as a zero (0) or one (1) star from each delegation represented in the House of Representatives. If a delegation does not have a zero (0) or one (1) star, they may send another delegate to represent their delegation.
- B. The House Advisory Committee shall be chaired by the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House, with the Head Freshman Liaison serving as Vice-Chair.

## Section 2. Duties

- A. The House Advisory Committee shall meet at least once per legislative day. Freshman liaisons and the zero (0) or one (1) star representatives shall make their recommendations for the Best Freshman, Best Delegate, and Best Legislation awards for each legislative day.
- B. The Speaker Pro Tempore and Head Freshman Liaison shall send their notes to the Chief Clerk Administrator at the conclusion of each meeting.

## **Rule 7: APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

### Section 1. Membership

- A. There shall be a House Appropriations Committee made up of three (3) members of the House who shall be appointed by the Speaker and serve at their pleasure. This Committee shall invite three (3) members of the Senate and the President Pro Tempore shall serve as its Vice-Chair.

### Section 2. Duties

- A. The House Appropriations Committee shall oversee all matters regarding the budget of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, including all expenditures and fundraising.
- B. The Committee shall draft a bill for the appropriation of monies as provided by law. Such a bill shall list, specifically and in detail, all revenues and expenditures expected. All appropriations bills shall be considered by the Committee, followed by consideration by the House (provided that the bill receives a favorable recommendation by the Committee). All such bills must be authored by at least one (1) delegate of the House of Representatives.

## **Rule 8: THE SELECT INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEE ON CONDUCT AND ETHICS**

### Section 1. Membership

- A. The Select Investigatory Committee on Customs and Ethics (SICCE) shall be comprised of nine (9) voting members; one (1) member appointed by the Speaker, whom shall serve as Chair; one (1) member appointed by the Speaker, whom shall serve as Vice-Chair; seven (7) members, who shall be elected by the body, and each delegation shall nominate one (1) member of its delegation for consideration as one (1) of those seven (7).
  - a. Nominations and votes shall occur directly succeeding the first joint session. The seven (7) nominees who received the most votes from the body shall fill these seats on the SICCE at the discretion of the

Speaker.

- b. No members nominated for the SICCE shall be a Delegation Chair of any delegation unless allowed otherwise by the Speaker.
  - c. If a delegate elected to the SICCE is unable to attend a SICCE meeting their replacement shall be elected by the House body in the same manner as the original member of the SICCE.
  - d. Members appointed to this committee prior to the adjournment of each regular session shall serve throughout the interim until the first day of the following regular session. If, for any reason, one of the several seats of this committee shall become vacant during the interim, it shall remain so until the first day of the following regular session, unless such a vacancy shall prevent the committee from conducting business with a quorum. In such a case the Speaker may appoint members of the body to fill such vacancies.
- B. The Chief Clerk Administrator of the House shall serve as a non-voting ex-officio member of the committee for the purpose of taking minutes to provide to the committee on Rules.

## Section 2. Duties

- A. The SICCE shall have the power to investigate, compile material, and make recommendations about matters concerning violations of House Customs, and other actions concerning decorum, to the House Committee on Rules.
- B. At least three-quarters (3/4) of the committee shall agree on a report to be given to the House Committee on Rules by the Chair.

## Section 3. Jurisdiction

- A. The SICCE shall have jurisdiction over actions made by delegates of the House during all session days and on actions directly related to O.I.L., over disputes arising between delegates of the House from different delegations during the interim session directly related to O.I.L., and over actions made by delegates of the House during the interim session that may directly affect operations of the House during the following session.
- B. Pursuant to Rule Three, Section Two, the SICCE shall have the authority to compel testimony and the presentation of documents and electronic media.

## Section 4. Procedure

- A. The SICCE shall hold hearings to conduct investigations into matters referred to them by the Speaker. These hearings shall be called and scheduled by



the SICCE Chair.

- B. Time must be given at hearings for the complainant or their selected representative to testify about the nature of their complaint, and equal time must be granted to the accused or their representative thereof. Material evidence must be filed to the SICCE for consideration twelve (12) hours after the initial ethics complaint.
- C. Testimony or evidence may be given or introduced by parties other than the complainant or the accused, at the discretion of the Chair or by majority vote of the SICCE.
- D. Following no fewer than one (1) hearing related to a matter referred to the SICCE the Chair shall call an executive meeting of the SICCE and conduct the creation and approval of the report which shall be submitted to the House Committee on Rules no more than twenty-four (24) hours subsequent to referral from the Speaker.
  - a. Any decision made by Rules on a report from the SICCE shall be agreed to and reported to the public no later than twenty-four (24) hours subsequent adjournment of said meeting.

## **Rule 9: THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON THE STANDING RULES**

### Section 1. Membership

- A. The House Committee on the Standing Rules shall be comprised of seven (7) members; the current House Parliamentarian, who shall serve as Chair; the current Chief Legislative Counsel, who shall serve as the Vice-Chair, and five (5) members, who shall be elected by the body. Each delegation shall nominate one (1) member from its delegation for consideration.
  - a. Nominations and votes shall occur directly succeeding the election of the Select Investigatory Committee on Conduct and Ethics.
  - b. It shall be the duty of the Speaker to advise the body prior to nominations for the committee that “As possible, while still electing those most suited to the position, it should be avoided that members be elected to this committee who are also on the House Advisory Committee, or who have another commitment that requires a similar amount of time. These delegates should also be at least a two (2) star, who is familiar with the policies of their delegation leadership and the organization at large.”
  - c. A delegation with five (5) house delegates or less may elect to waive their representation on this committee.

## Section 2. Duties

- A. The House Committee on the Standing Rules shall review the House Standing Rules and shall submit a formal report to the Speaker for possible changes to the House Standing Rules every session.
  - a. The Chair may choose to appoint a secretary to complete this report or otherwise assign this duty to the Vice-Chair.

## Section 3. Procedure

- A. The House Committee on the Standing Rules shall hold no less than one (1) meeting per session wherein the committee will discuss concerns and issues with the House Standing Rules and potential amendments to the House Standing Rules. These meetings shall be called and scheduled by the House Committee on the Standing Rules Chair, with approval from the Speaker.
- B. The committee shall have its formal report prepared for submission to the Speaker before closing joint session of a given legislative session is set to be called to order.

# **Rule 10: THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PREMIER FACIAL HAIR AND MORALE**

## Section 1. Membership

- A. The whole of the committee will be appointed by the Speaker and may be removed or re-appointed at the Speaker's discretion.
  - a. The Speaker may appoint any individual to this committee, regardless of the status of the individual's facial hair, or lack thereof.
  - b. The Speaker shall endeavor to ensure that the House Committee on Premier Facial Hair and Morale shall be made up of individuals from varied backgrounds, delegations, and delegation sizes to ensure that the membership of the body is represented within the committee.

## Section 2. Duties

- A. It will be the duty of the committee to work alongside the Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore to create as positive of an experience and environment as possible for all delegates within the House.
  - a. Creating this environment may include the provision of snacks, refreshments, or other nourishment for the House's general use.

- i. It will be at the discretion of the Speaker, with input from the committee Chair, as to how this committee shall procure funds and/or other means by which such nourishment may be obtained.
- b. The committee should also endeavor to generate a positive and fun atmosphere by directing events, to occur during session, with the permission and oversight of the Speaker, such as a “Mustache Catwalk” or otherwise.
- c. The committee may, with the direct permission of the Speaker, take it upon themselves to otherwise engage in any activities which may boost morale and general attitudes within the House during a legislative session.

### **Rule 11: LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL**

Section 1. The Legislative Counsel is to review each bill and resolution submitted by a Representative to the Secretary of State prior to any bills being seen in a House committee. The review process should include: inspecting short titles and formatting to alleviate dilatory matters, reviewing bill content to inspect for state and federal constitutionality, researching any relevant court proceedings related to bill content, and objectively analyzing the anticipated degree of contest a bill will see on the House floor for time budgeting purposes only.

Section 2. The Legislative Counsel is to create a summary spreadsheet of all House bills including but not limited to: bill numbers, bill authors, general subject matter, and any relevant Counsel notes on constitutionality and/or court proceedings. This spreadsheet is to be made available to all Representatives prior to legislation being seen in House committees.

Section 3. The Legislative Counsel shall forward a report of each bill’s forecasted length of contest on the House floor to the Speaker and the House Floor Leader. The Speaker and Floor Leader may, at their discretion, use this report to determine Orders of the Day and consent calendars.

Section 4. The Legislative Counsel is to be appointed by the Speaker with the advice of the Speaker Pro Tempore. It shall consist of the Chief Legislative Counselor and at least two (2) Deputy Legislative Counselors. Appointments to the Counsel should be made based on objective analysis of a Representative’s ability to scrutinize legislation in an unbiased manner as well as their ability to perform legal and constitutional research. Prior Moot Court experience shall not be a prerequisite for appointment to the Legislative Counsel but may be used as a consideration in applicant selection.

## **Rule 12: LEGISLATION**

Section 1. Only members of the House of Representatives may introduce legislation in the House.

Section 2. The Orders of the Day in the House of the Representatives shall be determined exclusively at the discretion of the Floor Leader with the approval of the Speaker as provided for in these rules, but legislation may, for the purpose of expedience, generally be seen in the following order:

1. Override of gubernatorial veto
2. Bills of the House
3. Bills of the Senate
4. Internal Resolutions

A. The House shall not consider in either session any bill or resolution, whether the same shall have originated in the House or in the Senate, if said bill or resolution has been amended by the insertion of matter not germane to the purpose of the original bill or resolution. It shall be the duty of the Presiding Officer to enforce this rule, regardless of whether or not a point of order is raised by a member.

Section 3. If a member of the House shall wish to abstain from casting a vote either in favor or in opposition of a main motion they may do so. Such abstentions, or other votes cast, shall not be reversible except in the event that the Presiding Officer conducts a revote on a main motion.

A. At the discretion of the Presiding Officer, in the event that a main motion does not receive votes from a quorum of the voting members of the House, the Presiding Officer or the Parliamentarian may announce to the House “Delegates, by advisement of the Presiding Officer, abstaining from voting in either opposition or affirmation of any main motion is allowed, but should only be used for religious or moral reasons. Abstaining on a vote of a main motion does not count toward the quorum of the main motion. Without more votes in affirmation or opposition, we can not move further. We are here to replicate the role of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, so it is important to cast your vote with these considerations in mind.”

Section 4. Amendments may be offered to any main motion before the floor as long as the following criteria is met:

- A. Open debate rules have not prohibited amendments.
- B. Previous question on the bill has not been called.
- C. Time for questions to the author hasn't expired.

D. The amendment was presented to the Chief Clerk Administrator in writing on an official amendment form.

E. The amendment has been presented verbatim as written in the amendment form during time for questions to the author.

Section 5. All amendments shall be considered individually after time for questions has elapsed and debate on the bill can occur. The Speaker, subject to the appeal of the House, can limit the number of amendments to be considered on a first come first serve basis as to when they were submitted to the Chief Clerk Administrator.

Section 6. If a member of the House proposes an amendment which alters the title of the legislation being considered, then that member must also propose, on the same amendment form, a change in the title. The amendment shall not change the motion's legislative intent and must be germane to the subject matter of the legislation. If an amendment does change the title, but does not contain the proposed title changes, such an amendment shall be out of order. The Presiding Officer may, subject to the appeal of the House, rule as to whether a proposed amendment is dilatory. If a proposed amendment does change the title of the measure under consideration, it may only be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote in the affirmative by those voting in the House.

Section 7. When a proposed amendment to any bill or resolution is laid on the table, it shall not carry with the bill or resolution, or prejudice such a measure.

Section 8. If a bill or resolution is assigned to more than one (1) standing committee, such a bill must receive a favorable report in all committees to which it was assigned. If a bill or resolution receives one (1) unfavorable report, such a bill shall not be considered on the House Floor subject to the provisions stated herein.

Section 9. Any member of the House wishing to put before the House a motion for a special order shall first attain the floor, providing no pending main motion is unresolved, and put the motion before the House; it shall then be considered, provided there are eight (8) standing seconds to the motion. Such a motion shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote for adoption. The motion shall be non-debatable, unless stated otherwise by the Speaker, in which case debate shall be for no more than one (1) minute per side and one (1) speaker per side of the question.

Section 10. Any motion to reconsider a main motion shall be out of order unless the author of the motion to reconsider presents to the body notice of their intention to move reconsideration no less than one-third (1/3) of a legislative day in advance.

Section 11. The emergency clause of a bill, if attached, shall be voted on separately and shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the House for adoption. If the emergency clause is not voted on or fails, then it shall no longer be deemed as part of the bill. If the bill does not include another effective date, the bill will fail if the emergency clause fails.

## **Rule 13: GENERAL PROCEDURES**

### Section 1. Quorum

- A. If at any time during the daily sessions of the House, a question shall be raised by any member as to the presence of a quorum, the Presiding Officer shall, without debate, forthwith direct the Chief Clerk Administrator to determine the presence or absence of a quorum, and shall announce the result.
- B. Whenever it is ascertained that a quorum is not present, the members present may, by motion adopted by a majority of those voting, direct the Sergeant at Arms, or those otherwise appointed by the Speaker, to contact absent members and request their presence in the House Chamber.
- C. Until a quorum is present, debate and procedural motions may be conducted for a period of no longer than one (1) legislative day.
- D. In the event that a committee meets during a legislative day and the absence of the members belonging to it prevents the House from maintaining quorum, then it shall be the discretion of the Presiding Officer to re-establish the number of delegates that are necessary for a quorum of the House to be present. This re-established quorum is not to be utilized for more than one (1) legislative day.

Section 2. Alternates may participate in all debates. Alternates and delegates must wear name badges to certify proper status. Delegates shall have seniority above alternates in House privileges. Any delegate may, at any time, grant their proxy to an alternate, solely for voting on the final passage of legislation, for a period of time not to exceed one (1) legislative day.

### Section 3. Debate times and Parliamentary Guidelines

- A. Time for debate shall be set at the opening of each session by the Speaker as recommended by the Committee on Rules.
- B. Debate shall alternate between opponents and proponents of the measure as possible.
- C. Following the author's explanation and questions, equal time shall be allotted to both sides of the issue, aside from the author's presentation, questioning, and summation. An author shall refrain from statements about political party affiliation during this time and shall be out of order and may forfeit any remaining time for author's presentation and questioning if this rule is violated.
- D. Upon a call (or calls) for debate by any member(s) of the House of

Representatives, another member of the House of Representatives may move to waive debate. After such motion is seconded by another member of the House of Representatives, the Presiding Officer shall entertain a vote on the motion. The motion shall pass by a two-thirds (2/3) majority.

- E. An author's summation may be allowed after all time for debate has been exhausted. Time for such summation shall not exceed an amount of time equal to one-eighth (1/8) of the total time for debate for either side of the question, unless allowed otherwise by the Presiding Officer.
- F. A member who has the floor may yield at any time to any member at their own discretion, on their own terms, be requested to yield, or waive their time entirely under the guidelines of the Presiding Officer. When yielding during time for debate, a member may only yield to the proponency or opponency, and yielding to any other entity would be equivalent to yielding to the void.
- G. The motion for the Previous Question shall require two (2) standing seconds and shall be considered adopted unless there are ten (10) standing objections to its adoption.
- H. Any member may rise to a Point of Order, Personal Privilege, or Information, pursuant to these Rules, the Rules of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, or *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure (2020 Edition)*, but a member may not be so recognized for any purpose other than that for which they are recognized, nor may a member yield on such an occasion or make any main or subsidiary motion.
- I. Any member shall have the right to appeal the decision of the Presiding Officer should they consider themselves or the House aggrieved by such a decision. Such appeal must be seconded by at least ten (10) members rising to second. An appeal is non-debatable, save for one (1) minute to that member appealing to state the reasons for the appeal, and one (1) minute to the Presiding Officer to respond to the reasons as well as their reasons for making the ruling. The question of an appeal shall be put in the following term: "The question is 'Shall the decision of the Chair be the Decision of the House?' All those in favor please signify by saying 'Aye;' those opposed 'Nay.'"
- J. Rules for deliberation for a bill shall be set by the Speaker as recommended by the Committee on Rules, subject to change by a two-thirds vote of the House. Such a motion shall be debatable.

#### Section 4. The Consent Calendar

- A. The Floor Leader and the Speaker may place any bill or resolution on the House Calendar for Consent.

- B. The titles of the bills and resolutions on this calendar, any committee or Senate action, and author's name shall be read by the Chief Clerk Administrator to the members of the House of Representatives. After such is read, the Presiding Officer shall ask the members of the House three (3) times if there shall be objection. If there is an objection, the bill or resolution may be placed on the Orders of the Day, pursuant to the Floor Leader and the Speaker, to be considered as though it had never been considered, unless the bill or resolution has received a "Do Pass" recommendation, in which case Previous Question shall be in order while considering the calendar for consent.
- C. Items on the consent calendar shall be brought before the House at least once per legislative day and shall be subject to scheduling by the Floor Leader. Items on the consent calendar shall also be considered at such times as the Speaker deems necessary. Should there be no items on the calendar for consent, then the calendar need not be used.

#### Section 5. Gubernatorial Veto

- A. Should the Governor veto any bill, resolution, or any item of any appropriations bill, such a veto shall be returned to the house of the legislation's origin.
- B. The Floor Leader may place such a veto on the Orders of the Day, or such a veto shall be considered upon the appropriate motion from the floor.
- C. There shall not be Author's explanation or questioning.
- D. There may be debate on the question of overriding the veto with equal time for each side to be set as herein provided for legislation.
- E. The question shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority by roll call vote or the appropriate vote as directed by the O.I.L. Constitution or by other law.

#### Section 6. Other Procedural Rules

- A. The standard manner of voting shall be via standing vote.
- B. If a bill or resolution is to be considered and there are not sufficient copies of said bill yet received from the Secretary of State, the next order of business shall be considered and the initial bill or resolution shall be considered as soon as copies are available, save the House Appropriations Bill for each session.
- C. The Speaker may, in whatever way they deem necessary, establish a seating chart. Each member may be required to sign a statement of responsibility for their desk and working area.



D. After a call to the House is completed by the Sergeant at Arms, the House chambers may be sealed to any delegate, including members of the House. A call to the House shall be conducted prior to opening roll, voting, or an establishment of quorum. After the action(s) listed prior has been completed, the Sergeant at Arms may unseal the chambers as directed by the Presiding Officer and delegates may address the clerk for attendance purposes.

E. No delegate to the House of Representatives shall be restricted from entering or exiting the chamber on the basis of sex, gender, age, religion, occupation, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, star count, or other similar grounds. Any motion which violates this rule shall be called out of order.

#### **Rule 14: CONDUCT DURING VOTING**

Section 1. While a vote is in progress and until the completion of a vote, no member shall be recognized and no other business shall be transacted.

Section 2. Decorum during voting is seated and silent.

Section 3. No member or other person shall visit or remain by the Speaker's dais while a vote is in progress unless granted express permission by the Presiding Officer.

Section 4. No member may vote for another member, nor may any person cast a vote for a member, except as otherwise provided in these rules. Any member who votes for another member, except as herein provided, may be punished in a manner the House determines.

Section 5. All House members wishing to vote must have proper credentials issued by the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Secretary of State in plain view.

Section 6. A proxy vote by an alternate delegate on behalf of a full delegate of the House of Representatives shall be recognized but shall be valid for a period not to exceed one (1) legislative day. A proxy vote shall be shown by a voting delegate's name badge being given to an alternate delegate.

Section 7. No delegate to the House of Representatives shall be restricted from voting on a legislative bill or resolution on the basis of sex, gender, age, religion, occupation, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, or other similar grounds. Any motion seeking to restrict the voting rights of an individual or group of delegates, excluding alternate delegates, shall be ruled out of order.

#### **Rule 15: AWARDS**

Section 1. The Speaker, along with the Speaker Pro Tempore and the House Committee on Rules, shall determine the appropriate method for choosing the awards for Best Legislation, Best Freshman, and Best Delegate.

Section 2. The House Committee on Rules shall vote once a day for Best Legislation, Best Freshman, and Best Delegate. Their voting ballots shall have room for three votes in each category. They may only vote for a specific piece of legislation, freshman, or delegate once per ballot. They also may abstain.

Section 3. The House Advisory Committee shall vote once a day for Best Legislation, Best Freshman, and Best Delegate. Their voting ballots shall have room for two votes in each category. They may only vote for a specific piece of legislation, freshman, or delegate once per ballot. They also may abstain. These votes shall be worth one point per vote.

Section 4. Each member of the House of Representatives shall be allowed to vote for Best Delegation. Each member shall submit their two votes for Best Delegation via the ballot provided by the Chief Clerk Administrator. Each member shall have a chance to vote for their school once. If they choose to give their votes to another school, they may do so twice.

Section 5. The votes for Best Delegation of the House shall be tallied by the Chief Clerk Administrator.

Section 6. When tallying votes for Best Delegation, the Chief Clerk Administrator shall deduct one-tenth (0.1) of a vote from a delegation's total number of votes for each violation of the Rules or Customs of the House committed by a delegate of that school and reported to any officer of the House, when directed to do so by the House Committee on Rules. Officers of the Committee on Rules must report such violations to the Chief Clerk Administrator as soon as they determine that a violation has occurred. The Chief Clerk Administrator shall keep a log of such violations, which shall be approved by the House Committee on Rules following each legislative day. Any violation not approved by the House Committee on Rules shall be stricken from the log and shall, for the purposes of this section, cease to exist.

A. The House Committee on Rules shall have the discretion to adjust the penalty for an individual violation upward from one-tenth (0.1) of a vote to a level no higher than two (2) votes, provided that such an adjustment be reserved for gross violations of House Rules or Customs. Such an adjustment shall require approval by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the House Committee on Rules.

B. Following the third (3rd) violation committed by any delegate, or following the commission of a gross violation by any delegate, said delegate and their Delegation Chair shall present themselves to the Committee on Rules for a hearing to determine the appropriate course of action for that delegate. Any further infractions by said delegate shall be subject to a hearing in the House Committee on Rules at the discretion of the Speaker or a majority vote of the Committee.

a. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as interfering with the power of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Board of Directors to remove a delegate from session as outlined in Title One, Chapter Two of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Statutes.

C. Violation point deductions will be tallied by the House Committee on Rules. If the total number of points deducted exceeds one (1) full point deduction, as per Section 6 Subsection A and is upheld by the House Committee on Rules, the delegate shall not be eligible to receive the Best Freshman, Best Delegate, or Best Legislation Awards. The House Committee on Rules shall, by majority vote, also have the power to remove any delegate found to have committed one or more gross violations of House Rules or Customs from consideration for said awards.

## **Rule 16: HOUSE CUSTOMS**

### Section 1. Customs Regarding House Chamber and Privileges

- A. Out of respect to our institution and our members of the state legislature, members of the O.I.L. House of Representatives shall show respect to our session venue and the House Chamber itself at all times. It shall be House Custom to:
- a. Refrain from disturbing the contents of venue property without first having obtained approval from the Speaker.
  - b. Refrain from showing disrespect for Representatives in word or action.
  - c. Refrain from removing any property from the Chamber.
  - d. Refrain from placing one's feet on desks or otherwise in a manner likely to damage venue property or property of O.I.L.
  - e. Refrain from sitting or leaning back upon venue property or property of O.I.L. that is not intended for such activity.
  - f. Refrain from having any kind of food or beverage within the Chamber.
  - g. Refrain from using tobacco products in the Chamber or anywhere near the Chamber.
  - h. Refrain from carrying firearms or weaponry in the Chamber.
  - i. Refrain from distributing materials on each desk in the House chamber without first having obtained approval from the Speaker, in which case the sponsoring Member will be identified.

- j. Refrain from any other practices deemed discourteous by the Speaker or the Presiding Officer.

## Section 2. Customs Regarding Decorum On The Floor

A. To uphold an efficient process it shall be House custom to:

- a. Refrain from continuing to speak on the floor when not recognized by the Speaker or the Presiding Officer.
- b. Refrain from the use of profanity on the floor.
- c. Refrain from any spoken activity that could be construed as adversely affecting the reputation and decorum of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature House body.
- d. Show respect for colleagues by not using speech on the floor that would be construed as slander or defamation of character.
- e. Address all statements and questions to the Speaker or the Presiding Officer.
- f. Address all colleagues by their proper title. A representative shall address other members with the title "Representative" when addressing one another during formal House proceedings either on the floor of the House or in committee.
- g. Move caucusing on the floor away from the speaking Representative.
- h. Approach the Speaker or Presiding Officer only upon a request for permission to do so.
- i. Check in with the House Chief Clerk Administrator if one is leaving or entering chambers.

## Section 3. Customs Regarding Dress Code

A. With the intent of upholding the status of the House, the following dress code shall apply:

- a. The dress code for the House shall be business professional.
- b. Appropriate attire includes, but is not limited to:
  - i. Dresses, suits, and pantsuits;
  - ii. Sports coats, blazers, suit coats, collared shirts with or without

ties, and blouses or other tops with accompanying professional coat;

iii. Dress pants, slacks, and skirts;

iv. Dress shoes, dress boots, and closed-toe heels.

c. Inappropriate attire includes, but is not limited to:

i. Clothing with offensive language or inappropriate designs;

ii. Clothing made of denim material;

iii. Jeans, shorts, and athletic wear;

iv. Open-toed shoes, tennis shoes, and sandals.

d. The Speaker may, at their discretion, adjust these rules as they see fit, but such a change shall not take effect longer than one (1) legislative session.

B. It will be at the discretion of the Speaker Pro Tempore to determine that such dress code standards should be considered to have been violated.

C. The Speaker Pro Tempore shall have the discretion to send any member of the body considered to have violated the dress code back to the session hotel (or whatever third location is suitable) until that time at which said member can change into attire that complies with the dress code hereby mentioned.

D. Should a member's attire be determined to have violated the dress code on more than one occasion it is the Speaker Pro Tempore's responsibility to meet with the member's Delegation Chair, possibly including the member in question, to determine a solution to the problem whether that be financial or otherwise.

#### Section 4. Complaints

A. Any member who feels that the customs of the House are violated may seek redress by submitting a written complaint to any of the following; Speaker, Speaker Pro Tempore, Floor Leader, Chief Clerk Administrator, Head Freshman Liaison, and Parliamentarian concerning the violation. If the report is made to any officer listed above other than the Speaker or Speaker Pro Tempore then it would be the responsibility of the said officer to provide this report to the Speaker or Speaker Pro Tempore so that they may collaborate as necessary to address said report. As necessary the Speaker shall refer the complaint to the Select Investigatory Committee on

Standards and Ethics.

**Rule 17: OFFICER ELECTIONS**

Section 1. Selection of House Election Committee

- A. Before House elections commence during the Spring Session of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, the House of Representatives shall select three (3) members of the House to preside over the election process of the Speaker and the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House.
- B. Each school represented in the House of Representatives shall submit the name of one (1) full or alternate delegate from their school to serve on the election committee.
- C. From the names submitted, three (3) members shall be chosen at random and voted upon using the following process;
  - a. The Presiding Officer shall ask the House the following question: “Shall Representative (Name) be elected to serve on the House Election Committee? All those in favor please signify by saying ‘Aye.’ Those opposed ‘Nay.’”
- D. If a member receives a simple majority of these votes in their favor then they shall be considered to have been elected.
- E. After three (3) members have been elected, the process shall be considered finished. There shall be no nomination, seconding, or acceptance speeches.

Section 2. House Election Procedures

- A. Only a member of the House of Representatives shall have the privilege of nominating or seconding any candidate for any position within the House.
- B. The time limits for nomination, seconding, and acceptance speeches shall be set by the House Committee on Rules. Each candidate shall have equal time allocated to their candidacy speeches.
- C. Only members of the House of Representatives who attended at least two (2) full legislative days of session in accordance with the Chief Clerk’s records shall have the privilege of voting for chamber elections. If a member produces a documented excuse for not meeting the minimum attendance requirement, this section shall be waived at the discretion of the Speaker.
- D. The members of the House Election Committee shall be the first members to

cast their vote for Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore of the House.

E. Voting for House Officers shall be by secret ballot only. No other means shall be considered.

F. Proxy voting for Officer Elections shall not be allowed.

### Section 3. Election Filing Procedures

A. Those wishing to run for elected office within the House of Representatives must declare their intention to run to the sitting Speaker during a filing period opening at 12:01 AM on the last day of the session preceding the election in question and closing at no later than 11:59 PM three (3) days prior to the first day of the session during which the election will take place.

B. In the event that no persons have declared their candidacy for an elected position in the House within the filing deadline, or in the event that one (1) or more candidates renounce their candidacy following the close of the initial filing window thereby leaving no candidates for the position, the sitting Speaker shall open a special filing window only for the position having no declared candidates consisting of a period of time determined at their discretion.

C. No filing windows other than those described in subsections A and B may be opened.;

AND THAT, This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval;

AND THAT, It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the 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.

# SENATE LEGISLATION



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-001

Brooks (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to midwifery; providing short title; amending 59 O.S. §3040.4; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Midwifery Emergency Procedures” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. §3040.4 is amended to read as follows:

- A. The State Commissioner of Health is hereby authorized to promulgate rules, pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act, that the Commissioner deems necessary for the implementation and enforcement of Shepherd’s Law including, but not limited to:
1. Scope of practice;
  2. A formulary of prescription drugs that a licensed midwife may obtain, transport and administer when providing midwifery services;
  3. A list of routine tests and procedures for which informed consent or refusal must be obtained;
  4. Qualifications for licensure;
  5. Renewals and reinstatements;
  6. Fees;
  7. Continuing education requirements;
  8. Complaints;
  9. Violations; ~~and~~
  10. Penalties; and
  11. Emergency procedures.

In so doing, the Commissioner shall give utmost consideration to the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Midwifery as created in Section 5 of this act.

- B. The Commissioner shall have the power to, for good cause and in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act:

1. Deny, revoke or suspend any license to practice midwifery;
  2. Develop a schedule of fines and penalties not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00); and
  3. Otherwise discipline a licensee.
- C. As used in this section, good cause shall include, but not be limited to:
1. Violation of Shepherd's Law; or
  2. Denial, revocation or suspension of the midwife's certification, assessment of a penalty or imposition of other disciplinary action by the North American Registry of Midwives, the American Midwifery Certification Board or a successor organization approved by the Commissioner.
- D. Emergency procedures shall refer to a plan of action agreed upon by the licensed midwife and the patient, in the event that emergency medical intervention is deemed medically necessary.
1. The State Commissioner of Health shall establish the circumstances in which an emergency medical intervention is deemed medically necessary and shall give utmost consideration to the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Midwifery;
  2. Emergency procedures shall be required to be filed with the hospital and medical professionals involved in the plan.
- ~~D.~~ E. The Commissioner is hereby empowered to perform investigations, require the production of records and other documents relating to practices regulated by Shepherd's Law, and seek injunctive relief.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-002

Brooks (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to medicaid; providing short title; amending O.S. §56-1010.4.; providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Birth Freedom” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY O.S. §56-1010.4. is amended to read as follows:

B. The implementation of the System shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Development of operations plans for the System which include reasonable access to hospitalization, eye care, dental care, medical care and other medically related services for members including, but not limited to, access to twenty-four-hour emergency care;
2. Contract administration and oversight of participating providers;
3. Technical assistance services to participating providers and potential providers;
4. Development of a complete plan of accounts and controls for the System including, but not limited to, provisions designed to ensure necessary and reasonable usage of covered health and medical services provided through the System;
5. Establishment of peer review and utilization study functions for all participating providers;
6. Technical assistance for the formation of medical care consortiums to provide covered health and medical services under the System. Development of service plans and consortiums may be on the basis of medical referral patterns;
7. Development and management of a provider payment system;
8. Establishment and management of a comprehensive plan for ensuring the quality of care delivered by the System;

9. Establishment and management of a comprehensive plan to prevent fraud against the System by members, eligible persons and participating providers;
10. Coordination of benefits provided under the Oklahoma Medicaid Program Reform Act of 2003 to any member;
11. Development of a health education and information program;
12. Development and management of a participant enrollment system;
13. Establishment and maintenance of a claims resolution procedure to ensure that a submitted claim is resolved within forty five (45) days of the date the claim is correctly submitted;
14. Establishment of standards for the coordination of medical care and patient transfers;
15. Provision for the transition of patients between participating providers and nonparticipating providers;
16. Provision for the transfer of members and persons who have been determined eligible from hospitals which do not have contracts to care for such persons;
17. Specification of enrollment procedures including, but not limited to, notice to providers of enrollment. Such procedures may provide for varying time limits for enrollment in different situations;
18. Establishment of uniform forms and procedures to be used by all participating providers;
19. Methods of identification of members to be used for determining and reporting eligibility of members;
20. Establishment of a comprehensive eye care and dental care system which:
  - a. includes practitioners as participating providers,
  - b. provides for quality care and reasonable and equal access to such practitioners, and
  - c. provides for the development of service plans, referral plans and consortiums which result in referral practices that reflect timely, convenient and cost effective access to such care for members in both rural and urban areas;
21.
  - a. Development of a program for Medicaid eligibility and services for individuals who are in need of breast or cervical cancer treatment and who:
    1. have family incomes that are below one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the federal poverty level,
    2. have not attained the age of sixty-five (65) years,

3. have no or have inadequate health insurance or health benefit coverage for treatment of breast and cervical cancer, and
  4. meet the requirements for treatment and have been screened for breast or cervical cancer.
- b. The program shall include presumptive eligibility and shall provide for treatment throughout the period of time required for treatment of the individual's breast or cervical cancer,
  - c. On or before July 1, 2002, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall coordinate with the State Commissioner of Health to develop procedures to implement the program, contingent upon funds becoming available; and

C. Development of a comprehensive obstetrician and gynecological care program that shall cover the services, and/or coordination of services, of obstetrician-gynecological physicians, primary care physicians, certified nurse-midwives, and licensed midwives.

~~22.~~ 23. Establishment of co-payments, premiums and enrollment fees, and the establishment of policy for those members who do not pay copayments, premiums or enrollment fees.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-003

Brooks (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Underage and Standardized Modeling” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Modeling agency” shall refer to a person, firm, corporation, or association that provides employment information to a talent or model for the purpose of securing an engagement for the talent or model.
2. “Traditional modeling” shall refer to a person engaged with a modeling agency who is modeling editorial, runway, commercial, fitness, body-parts, glamor, and various other types of modeling. Excludes intimate modeling.
3. “Intimate modeling” shall refer to a person engaged with a modeling agency who is modeling lingerie, underwear or swimwear.

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

1. Children who are under the age of eighteen (18) and are residents of Oklahoma or employed by modeling agencies that are based in, or have physical locations in Oklahoma are prohibited from engaging in intimate modeling.
2. Children who are under the age of sixteen (16) and are residents of Oklahoma or employed by modeling agencies that are based in, or have physical locations in Oklahoma may only engage in traditional modeling at the written consent and permission of their legal guardian(s).
3. Modeling agencies that are based in, or have physical locations in Oklahoma will be required to submit annual reports to the Oklahoma Department of Labor about their underage models including:

- a. valid ID and proof of age;
  - b. classification of all modeling engagements; and
  - c. the written consent of their legal guardians.
4. The Oklahoma Department of Labor, in coordination with the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board, and in consultation with licensed mental health professionals, shall adopt an occupational safety and health standard for modeling agencies and their employees.
- A. The standard shall address issues including, but not limited to, all of the following:
1. Protection of the model's rights to health care privacy under all provisions of law;
  2. Workplace safety, especially for minors, including protection from sexual exploitation and sexual predators;
  3. And prevention and treatment of eating disorders.
- B. These standards shall be enforced by the Oklahoma Department of Labor upon suspicion of violation. The Oklahoma Department of Labor shall establish an online anonymous reporting system and also provide contact information for a reporting agency or personnel. Investigations into modeling agencies shall be conducted to determine whether the agency is guilty of violating these standards or not and any guilty findings shall be reported, with highly sensitive information scrubbed, in an online database maintained by the Oklahoma Department of Labor.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Upon a first violation of section one (1) or two (2), modeling agencies will be fined a minimum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) and a maximum of five thousand (\$5,000).
2. Upon a second violation of section one (1) or two (2), modeling agencies will be fined a minimum of four thousand (\$4,000) and a maximum of eight thousand (\$8,000).
3. If the modeling agency refuses to submit proper and adequate documentation in accordance with section 3, they will be fined a minimum of one thousand (\$1,000) and a maximum of one thousand and five hundred dollars (\$1,500) and given a six month period to submit the proper documentation, after which the fine will be doubled and the modeling agency will be required to submit a petition to the Oklahoma Department of Labor explaining why they refused to submit the proper documentation. If the Oklahoma Department of Labor does not accept their petition, then the modeling agency will be forced to either transfer the contracts of all of their underage modeling clients to a different modeling agency or the underage modeling clients will be released.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>st</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-004

Gardner, A (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to fertilizer; 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 “Fertile Waters” Act of 2024.

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

1. Compost - a stable humus-like material produced by the controlled biological decomposition of organic matter through active management, but shall not mean sewage, septage, or materials derived from sewage or septage.
2. Impervious surface - those man made surfaces, including paved and unpaved roads, parking areas, roofs, driveways, and walkways, from which precipitation runs off rather than infiltrates.
3. Manipulated animal or vegetable manure - manure that is ground, pelletized, mechanically dried, supplemented with plant nutrients or substances other than phosphorus or phosphate, or otherwise treated to assist with the use of manure as fertilizer.
4. Nitrogen fertilizer - fertilizer labeled for use on turf in which the nitrogen content consists of less than fifteen percent (15%) slow-release nitrogen.
5. Phosphorus fertilizer - fertilizer labeled for use on turf in which the available phosphate content is greater than sixty seven tenths of a percent (0.67%) by weight, except that phosphorus fertilizer shall not include compost or manipulated animal or vegetable manure.
6. Slow-release nitrogen - nitrogen in a form that is released over time and that is not water-soluble nitrogen.
7. Turf - land planted in closely mowed, managed grasses, including residential and commercial property and publicly owned land, parks, and recreation areas.
  - a. Turf shall not include:
    - i. pasture, cropland, land used to grow sod, or any other land used for agricultural production; or
    - ii. private and public golf courses.
8. “Water” or “water of the State” - all rivers, streams, creeks, brooks, reservoirs, ponds, lakes, springs, and all bodies of surface waters, artificial or natural, that are contained within, flow through, or border upon the State or any portion of it.

9. Water-soluble nitrogen - nitrogen in a water-soluble form that does not have slow-release properties.

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

Application of phosphorus fertilizer.

1. No person shall apply phosphorus fertilizer to turf except for:
  - a. phosphorus fertilizer necessary for application to turf that is deficient in phosphorus as shown by a soil test performed no more than eighteen (18) months before the application of the fertilizer; or
  - b. phosphorus fertilizer that is labeled as starter fertilizer and that is intended for application to turf when a property owner or an agent of a property owner is first establishing grass in turf via seed or sod procedures and the application of starter fertilizer is limited to the first growing season.
2. On or before October 1, 2025, the administrator of The Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry, after consultation with Oklahoma State University, shall approve a standard, that may authorize multiple testing methods, for the soil test required under subdivision (1)(a) of this subsection.
3. Application of nitrogen fertilizer. No person shall apply nitrogen fertilizer to turf.
4. Application of fertilizer to impervious surface; in proximity to water; and seasonal restriction. No person shall apply any fertilizer:
  - a. to an impervious surface. Fertilizer applied or released to an impervious surface shall be immediately collected and returned to a container for legal application.
  - b. to turf before April 1 or after October 15 in any calendar year or at any time when the ground is frozen; or
  - c. to turf within twenty five (25) feet of a water of the State.
5. Retail display of phosphorus fertilizer. If a retailer sells or offers for sale phosphorus fertilizer to consumers and consumers have direct access to the phosphorus fertilizer, the retailer shall:
  - a. In the retail area where phosphorus fertilizer is accessible by a consumer, display non phosphorus fertilizer separately from phosphorus fertilizer.
  - b. Post in the retail location, if any, where phosphorus fertilizer is accessible by the consumer a clearly visible sign that is at least eight and one-half inches (8.5) by eleven (11) inches in size and that states “Phosphorus runoff poses a threat to water quality. Most Oklahoma lawns do not benefit from fertilizer containing phosphorus. Under Oklahoma law, fertilizer containing phosphorus shall not be applied to lawn unless applied to new lawn or lawn that is deficient for phosphorus as indicated by a soil test.”

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. A person who knowingly and intentionally violates this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per violation.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>st</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-005

Gardner, A (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to motor vehicles; providing short title; repealing 21 O.S. §918; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Sunday Sales” Act of 2024.

Section 2. REPEALER 21 O.S. §918 is hereby repealed.

~~1. No person, firm or corporation, whether owner, proprietor, agent or employee, shall keep open, operate or assist in keeping open or operating any place or premises or residences whether open or closed, for the purpose of selling, bartering, or exchanging, or offering for sale, barter, or exchange, any motor vehicle or motor vehicles, whether new, used or second hand, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, except as otherwise provided in this section; and provided, however, that this act shall not apply to the opening of an establishment or place of business on the first day of the week for other purposes, such as the sale of petroleum products, tires, automobile accessories, or for the purpose of operating and conducting a motor vehicle repair shop, or for the purpose of supplying such services as towing or wrecking. Antique, classic, or special interest automobiles sold, bartered, auctioned, or exchanged by any person, firm, or corporation are exempt from the provisions of this section, as well as off-premise sales of new motorized recreational vehicles approved by the Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission pursuant to the provisions of the Recreational Vehicle Franchise Act.~~

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-006

S. Gardner (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Advance Enrollment for Military Families” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- A. A student who is not a domiciliary of the state shall be permitted to register to enroll in a public kindergarten through twelve (K-12) school by remote means, including electronic means, prior to commencement of the student's residency in this state if all of the following apply:
1. A parent or legal guardian is on active military duty and is transferred or pending transfer to a military installation or reservation in this state. Upon request by the local board of education, a parent or legal guardian provides a copy of the official military order transferring to a military installation or reservation located in this state.
  2. A parent or legal guardian completes and submits the board of education's required enrollment forms and documentation, except that proof of residency shall not be required until the student physically transfers to this state, at which time the student shall be required to provide proof of residency prior to commencing attendance.
  3. The local board of education shall make available to a student who registers to enroll pursuant to this section the same opportunities for school assignment and selection of courses as those offered to resident students.
- Section 3. This act shall become effective for the 2025-2026 school year and thereafter.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-007

S. Gardner (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to x; providing short title; amending 43 O.S. §§ 3(B)(2)-(B)(4); providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “End Minor Marriage” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 43 O.S. §§ 3(B)(2)-(B)(4) is amended to read as follows:

2. Every person under the age of sixteen (16) years is expressly forbidden and prohibited from entering into the marriage relation. ~~except when authorized by the court:~~
  - A. ~~in settlement of a suit for seduction or paternity, or~~
  - B. ~~if the unmarried female is pregnant, or has given birth to an illegitimate child and at least one parent of each minor, or the guardian or custodian of such child, is present before the court and has an opportunity to present evidence in the event such parent, guardian, or custodian objects to the issuance of a marriage license. If they are not present the parent, guardian, or custodian may be given notice of the hearing at the discretion of the court.~~
3. ~~A parent or a guardian of any child under the age of eighteen (18) years who is in the custody of the Department of Human Services or the Department of Juvenile Justice shall not be eligible to consent to the marriage of such minor child as required by the provisions of this subsection.~~
4. ~~Any certificate or written permission required by this subsection shall be retained by the official issuing the marriage license.~~

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-008

Laginess (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to healthcare; 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 “Corrective Eyewear Expansion” Act of 2024.

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.
2. “Contact Lenses” shall be defined as non-elective, clear contact lenses.

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

1. Contact lenses shall be financially covered under SoonerCare’s vision coverage, for adolescents only, 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 for the coverage period unless deemed a medical necessity by the provider.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-009

Laginess (OBU)  
Marron (OU)

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 2024.

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 and recognize a new meme each month.
  - a. The “Ok Boomer Clause” states that no boomer shall be elected to the committee.
  - b. 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.
2. Potential memes must be reviewed by the committee to uphold standards befitting of the character and current cultural climate of the state of Oklahoma
  - a. Memes must not be overly vulgar or discriminatory.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-010

Saunders (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to executions; providing short title; amending 22 O.S. § 1014; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the Execution Reform Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. § 1014 is amended to read as follows:

- A. The punishment of death shall be carried out by the administration of a lethal quantity of a drug or drugs until death is pronounced by a licensed physician according to accepted standards of medical practice. For purposes of this subsection, the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act shall not apply to the Department of Corrections or to any person who participates in the execution or administers one or more controlled dangerous substances.
- B. If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in subsection A of this section is held unconstitutional by an appellate court of competent jurisdiction or is otherwise unavailable, then the sentence of death shall be carried out by nitrogen hypoxia.
- C. If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in subsections A and B of this section is held unconstitutional by an appellate court of competent jurisdiction or is otherwise unavailable, then the sentence of death shall be carried out by electrocution.
- D. If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in subsections A, B and C of this section is held unconstitutional by an appellate court of competent jurisdiction or is otherwise unavailable, then the sentence of death shall be carried out by firing squad.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OBU-011

Wentzel (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Homeless Children Recognition” Act of 2024.

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

1. ”Homeless Child” - Is defined as person(s) under eighteen (18) who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate residence.

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

1. Any report of suspicion of child homelessness shall require due and timely investigation.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-001

Gooden (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to three-legged dogs; 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 “Tri-Pawed Support” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Three-legged dog” shall refer to any dog that has three legs, either naturally or due to a medical condition or injury.

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

1. No person shall discriminate against or restrict the activities of a three-legged dog based solely on its physical condition.
2. The state shall encourage and support initiatives that promote the inclusion of three-legged dogs in recreational activities, including but not limited to walks, hikes, and other forms of exercise.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this act shall be subject to penalties as determined by existing animal welfare laws of the state of Oklahoma.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-002

Gooden (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to prison reform; 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 “To Help Reformed Inmates Visualize Excellence” (THRIVE) Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.
- A. “Prison” a building in which people are legally held as a punishment for a crime they have committed or while awaiting trial.
  - B. “Imprison” the young man prisoned behind the doors.
  - C. “Reformed” having relinquished an immoral, criminal, or self-destructive lifestyle.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:
- A. Every male imprisoned will be required to go through a three-month program immediately after exiting prison to assist them with the transition back into the world without reverting to a life of crime.
  - B. This program will begin with helping them acquire a new job so that these former prisoners can begin their new life with an appropriate income.
  - C. There will be a list of optional classes to help them find their passion, and to take the place of the time they spent doing crime.
    - 1. Each reformed prisoner must take at least two classes per month, meeting weekly for meetings.
    - 2. One class will be educational and another must be a class job oriented, focusing on what they are passionate about and applying that to a job in the workforce.
  - D. An additional anger management class will be required once a week to help

them improve through life's difficulties and navigate life after prison.

Section 4. This act shall become effective five (5) years after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill ORU-003

Haner (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to disturbances; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. § 1362; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Anti-Disturbance” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1362, is amended to read as follows:

- A. Disturbance by loud or unusual noise or abusive, violent, obscene, profane or threatening language. If any person shall willfully or maliciously disturb, either by day or night, the peace and quiet of any city of the first class, town, village, neighborhood, family or person by loud or unusual noise, or by abusive, violent, obscene or profane language, whether addressed to the party so disturbed or some other person, or by threatening to kill, do bodily harm or injury, destroy property, fight, or by quarreling or challenging to fight, or fighting, or shooting off any firearms, or brandishing the same, or by running any horse at unusual speed along any street, alley, highway or public road, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof, shall be fined in any sum not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) ~~One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)~~, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed thirty (30) days, or by assignment not to exceed fifty (50) community service hours or by both such fine and imprisonment and community service, at the discretion of the court or jury trying the same.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-004

Haner (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to property ownership; 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 “Finders Keepers” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.
- A. “Finder”: Any person who first discovers an object, item, piece of clothing, or physical material without an owner present to claim it.
  - B. “Keeper”: Any person who is in possession of an object, item, piece of clothing, or physical material and who claims possession of it.
  - C. “Loser”: Any person who has lost possession of an object, item, piece of clothing, or physical material and who feels very bad.
  - D. “Weeper”: Any person who has been overcome with emotion and who experiences moisturization about the eye region.
- 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 legal for a person to claim any object, item, piece of clothing, or physical material if there is no Finder/Keeper present to claim it.
  - B. The claim will be made through the statement, “I have dibs on this”.
  - C. Any person previously in possession of said object, item, piece of clothing, or physical material will no longer have the legal right to said possession.
- Section 4. PENALTIES
- A. Any Loser/Weeper who attempts through threat or force to retain an item that a Finder/Keeper has claimed will be sentenced to death and summarily executed by firing squad.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-005

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 “End Scholarship Displacement” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act.
- A. “Scholarship Displacement” shall be defined as the practice of an institution of higher education reducing financial aid to students as a result of the student receiving a private scholarship.
  - B. “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.
  - C. “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.
  - D. “Cost of attendance” shall be defined as that which is enumerated in 20 U.S.C. § 1087ll. E. “Expected family contribution” shall be defined as how much the student and their family can be expected to contribute to the cost of the student's education for a given award year. F. “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. Institutions of higher education in the State of Oklahoma shall not reduce a

student's institutional financial aid as a result of private scholarship awards designated to the student.

- B. When a student's total financial aid from all sources exceeds the student's financial need, an institution may, having taken into account all to which the student is entitled under federal law as well as expected family contribution, reduce institutional financial aid until it no longer exceeds the student's financial need.
- C. 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 an athletic association or conference with authority over intercollegiate athletics.
- D. This act shall not be interpreted or implemented in a manner inconsistent with state or federal law.
- E. If any one or more provisions of this act or the application thereof is found to be unconstitutional, the same is hereby declared to be severable and the balance of this act shall remain effective notwithstanding such unconstitutionality, the Legislature declaring that it would have passed this act irrespective of the fact that any one or more provisions be declared unconstitutional.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-006

Humphrey (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to firearm sales; 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 “Licensed Sellers” Act of 2024.

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

- A. “Firearm” shall be defined as that which is described in 18 USC § 921(a)(3), also noting for added clarity the definitions of “pistols”, “rifles”, and “shotguns” found in 21 O.S. § 1289.3-5.

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

- A. All persons and organizations in the State of Oklahoma must possess a Federal Firearms License issued by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) as a prerequisite for engaging in the business of buying and selling firearms.
- B. All licensed firearm sellers shall catalog and enter every firearm available for sale into a database to be maintained by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) so that the OSBI may be able to monitor all transactions in which a firearm is purchased.
- C. Before a person may acquire a purchased firearm from a licensed seller, a fourteen (14) day waiting period must be completed.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Should the OSBI find a seller in violation of any of the above regulations, they shall report the seller to the ATF, which, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 923(e), may revoke a license for willful violations of the Gun Control Act and its

implementing regulations.

- B. Any seller failing to comply with any of the above regulations shall also be subjected to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per offense.
- C. Any person who has purchased a firearm from an unlicensed seller or from a licensed seller who is otherwise in violation of this act may be subject to a fine or term of imprisonment or by to both in accordance with existing Oklahoma and United States statutes governing the possession of an unregistered firearm.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-007

Johnson (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to minimum wage; 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 “Proportionate Wage” Act of 2024

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

1. “Wage” is a fixed regular payment, typically paid on a daily or weekly basis, made by an employer to an employee, especially to a manual or unskilled worker
2. “Chronic Inflation” is an economic phenomenon occurring when a country experiences high inflation for a prolonged period (several years or decades).

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

1. The value of minimum wage shall increase proportionately to the cost of living according to the state’s rates of chronic inflation.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual or corporation found in violation of Section 3.1 by local law enforcement can be punished by imprisonment not exceeding one year or by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-008

Johnson (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to consent; 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 as Bad” Act of 2024.

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

1. Dissemination - the action or fact of spreading something, especially information, widely.
2. Distribution - the passing out of something to someone(s).
3. “What one did they all do” - all parties to a conspiracy or agreement to perform an unlawful act are liable for every action taken by any part in the furtherance of the conspiracy or agreement.
4. Conspiracy - when 2 or more people commit a crime together; the agreement constitutes the act.

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

1. The dissemination and distribution of recorded rape will be considered just as bad as the act recorded and therefore equal to the punishment of the rape being exploited.
2. If two or more individuals work together to commit the crime, the crime will fall under the “What one did they all do” rule concerning conspiracy.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. The dissemination or distribution of recorded rape is a felony punishable by death, imprisonment for at least five (5) years, life, or life without parole according to the discretion of the jury or in case the jury fails or refuses to fix

the punishment then the same shall be pronounced by the court.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-009

Johnson (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to soda; 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 “Stop Pop” Act of 2024.

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

1. Controlled substance - A drug or other substance that is tightly controlled by the government because it may be abused or cause addiction.

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

1. Soda will be considered a controlled substance in need of regulation and restrictions.
  - A. Soda consumption will be restricted to those sixteen (16) years of age or older.
  - B. Businesses licensed to sell soda cannot sell the substance to those under the age of sixteen (16).

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Individuals found in violation of this law can be charged with a misdemeanor punishable by up to a one hundred fifty dollar (\$150) fine, and up to fifteen (15) hours of community service.
2. Businesses found selling soda to underage customers, after one warning, would lose their license to sell the product and could be charged with a misdemeanor.

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



approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-010

Ramsey (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Safe Living Conditions of Inmates” Act of 2024.

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

A. Living Quarter: A place of residence for any individual incarcerated in Oklahoma

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

A. All state facilities listed under 57 OK Stat § 509 (2022), and any other place where state, county, or municipal inmates are housed shall have heating and central air conditioning.

1. Each living quarter shall not exceed 80 degrees Fahrenheit.

2. Each living quarter shall remain above 65 degrees Fahrenheit.

B. Any facility that does not have heating or central air conditioning shall obtain estimates for installation and present them to the board for contract approval. 1. Once approved, installation must take place within ninety (90) days.

Section 4. PENALTIES

A. Any facility that fails to meet the standards of living conditions will be subject to bi-annual reviews and

B. Failure to meet and maintain standards will result in administrative disciplinary action pursuant to cruel and usual conditions.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. ORU-011

Ramsey (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to students with disabilities; 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 “Charter School Students With Disabilities” Act of 2024.

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

- A. Charter School - a public school that operates as a school of choice. B. New definition – Enrollment Plan - a data-informed process that aligns an institution's fiscal, academic, co-curricular, and enrollment resources with its changing environment to accomplish the institution's mission and ensure the institution's long-term enrollment success and fiscal health.

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

- A. A charter school may give preference to enrolling children with disabilities. 1. Upon approval of the local board of education, the charter school may develop and implement an enrollment preference plan to increase the enrollment of children with disabilities.
1. In exercising the enrollment preference plan for children with disabilities, a charter school shall ensure compliance with the obligation to provide a free, appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment pursuant to the federal “Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S. C. SEC 1400 ET SEQ., as amended.
  2. A charter school may allow a parent to voluntarily provide information regarding whether the parent's child has a disability.
- B. The property tax assigned to the individual for public school funding shall

follow the student to the preferred charter school.

Section 4. This act shall become effective at the end of the academic calendar after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-001

Caves (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the Oklahoma department of agriculture; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Oklahoma Agriculture Intelligence” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Intelligence Community” means the intelligence gathering and counter-intelligence agencies under the United States Government (eg. Central Intelligence Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Police, Military Branches, etc.).
2. “State Board of Agriculture” is the group governing the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry. They are under the Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture.
3. “Commissioner of Agriculture” is the person responsible for daily operations and policies of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry.
4. “Investigation Services Unit” is the only current intelligence group in the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry. They mainly deal with local agriculture theft and arson.
5. “Oklahoma Appropriations Committee” is the group of representatives responsible for regulating the expenditure of money by the Oklahoma State Government.

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

1. Establishment

- a. A new division of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry called the “Agricultural Intelligence” shall be established through the powers of the State Board of Agriculture. The current standing Investigation Services Unit shall also be inherited in establishment.
2. Staff
  - a. Director - The Director of the Agriculture Intelligence Division shall be appointed by the current sitting Commissioner of Agriculture. The Commissioner shall appoint an individual that has had significant experience in the intelligence community.
  - b. Staff - The Director may appoint additional staff as they deem appropriate.
3. Detail of Intelligence Community Personnel
  - a. The Director may detail personnel from the state-level intelligence community to assist the duties of the division. Those detailed shall not be taken into account in determining the number of staff in the division,
4. Duties
  - a. The Division shall be responsible for leveraging the capabilities of the state-level intelligence community and assist the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in any duties deemed fitting for the department.
  - b. The office shall focus on understanding foreign efforts on the state-level to -
    - i. Steal United States agriculture knowledge and technology.
    - ii. Develop or implement biological warfare attacks, cyber or clandestine operations, or other means of sabotaging and disrupting Oklahoma agriculture.
  - c. The Division shall collaborate with the intelligence community on the state and federal levels in all matters of state and national security.
  - d. The Division shall act as the liaison between the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry and the intelligence community.
  - e. The Division shall have the authority to request intelligence collection and analysis on matters relating to Oklahoma agriculture.
5. Authorization of Appropriation
  - a. There shall be an appropriation of funds in the establishment of the division of an amount agreed upon by both the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry and the Oklahoma Appropriations Committee.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-002

Caves (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public law; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Oklahoma Trade Disclosure ”Act of 2024.

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

1. “Commodity Trades” means any trades on the exchange that relate to general goods like food and power.
2. “Oklahoma Ethics Committee” means the group of congressional members that are responsible for making sure other seats of government don’t break any laws and the carrying out of punishments if done so.
3. “Facilities” means a place, amenity, or equipment provided for a particular purpose.

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

1. Introduces penalties to Oklahoma congressional members who don’t disclose Oklahoma based commodity trades on time.
  - a. Each member found of not disclosing trades shall be penalized the total profit of the undisclosed trade or trades, and pay the traditional penalties set by the federal “STOCK” act of 2012. In addition, Oklahoma congressional members shall be prohibited from trading Oklahoma based commodities for one hundred-eighty (180) days after the enactment of penalties.
  - b. If found of trading a commodity for which a member oversees in a committee they shall be immediately removed from their committee seat.

- c. All penalties resulting from the federal “STOCK” act of 2012 shall still apply.
    - i. Fine or imprisonment up to fifteen (15) years, or both.
    - ii. Possible disqualification from holding federal office.
  - d. Penalties stemming from the “Oklahoma Trade Disclosure” act shall be enacted seven (7) days after a violation has been declared.
2. All Oklahoma based commodity trades over one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in value at time of exchange shall be reported to the Oklahoma Ethics Committee.
- a. All trades shall be reported to the Oklahoma Ethics Committee within thirty to forty-five (30-45) days after note of purchase, sale, or exchange.
  - b. Reports shall be modeled after the requirements set by the federal “Stock” act of 2012 and shall include -
    - i. The name of the stock and the stock ticker.
    - ii. The value at the time of purchase.
    - iii. If sold the value at the time of sale.
3. Oklahoma based commodities shall be based on several factors, as well as any additional factors decided upon by the Oklahoma Ethics Committee.
- a. The company in which the commodity is related to is based in the State of Oklahoma.
  - b. The company in which the commodity is related to conducts over three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of all business in the State of Oklahoma.
  - c. The company in which the commodity is related to has over one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of all facilities located in the state of Oklahoma.
4. Any congressional member in the process of being penalized may request an appeal.
- a. Any appeal shall be requested within seven (7) days of the Oklahoma Ethics Committee declaring a violation.
  - b. If an appeal is submitted all penalties enacted by the act shall be temporarily postponed until the appeal process is fully conducted.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-003

Hurlbut (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to local government; 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 “Efficient Parking” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Minimum Parking Mandate” means a law, rule, or ordinance that specifies a number of off-street parking spaces.
2. “Political Subdivision” means any division of any state or local governmental unit which is a municipal corporation or which has been delegated the right to exercise part of the sovereign power of the unit.

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

1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule, or ordinance to the contrary, a political subdivision shall not impose minimum parking mandates for residential, commercial, or industrial properties within its jurisdiction.
2. This section does not prohibit a political subdivision from passing an ordinance related to disability parking spaces.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-004

Johnson (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to providing menstrual products; 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 “End Period Poverty” Act of 2024.

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

1. Menstrual products - Tampons or sanitary napkins for use in connection with the menstrual cycle that conform with applicable industry standards.
2. School Nutrition Program - Program that offers free or reduced price meals based on income or categorical eligibility determined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Income Eligibility Guidelines.
3. School Administration - Professionals within the school including the principal, assistant principals, instructional coordinators, counselors, nurses, or other support staff.

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

1. All Oklahoma public schools shall provide free menstrual products to students in grades sixth through twelfth (6-12) eligible for School Nutrition Programs.
  - a. A confidential list of students eligible for this service will be compiled based on preexisting records identifying those under the state's school nutrition programs.
    - i. School administration shall inform eligible students and their families of this policy in writing within the first month of the academic year.
  - b. Menstrual products will be available for any eligible student to receive at an accessible, neutral location, including but not limited to a nurse’s

- office or administrative office.
2. School administration will be responsible for determining policies and procedures to ensure the availability of products.
    - a. The State Department of Education may offer guidance or assistance in administering menstrual products.
    - b. Schools are permitted to accept physical donations of menstrual items from a non-profit organization or member of their community as part of their product supply.
    - c. School administrations must inform students of these policies and procedures by posting them on the school website, in student handbooks, and in the designated location where menstrual products are to be kept and distributed.
    - d. Following the end of each academic year, school administrations are to submit a report to the State Department of Education outlining the number of students who received menstrual product services each month, as well as any grievances reported concerning the availability or quality of the products.
    - e. The State of Oklahoma reserves the right to audit all statewide public education entities on an annual basis to ensure compliance with the rules and regulations outlined.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a school is found in violation of these policies, the State Department of Education shall send one written warning urging compliance.
2. Failure to implement these policies following the written warning may result in a civil penalty fine not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2000) and a potential risk of suspension or termination for non-complying parties.
  - a. Any monetary collections from penalties shall be appropriated to the State Department of Education, who may utilize the funds to procure additional menstrual products for schools ensuring equitable distribution.

#### Section 5. This act shall become effective by the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-005

Johnson (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public higher 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 “Protecting Student Orgs” Act of 2024.

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

1. Private entities - Refers to non-governmental or student-led bodies operating within public institutes of higher education, including student organizations, associations, clubs, societies, or greek organizations.
2. Public Institution of Higher Education - Any institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education or technology center schools overseen by the State Board of Career and Technology Education.
3. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Initiatives - Programs, offices, trainings, or activities aimed at promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion within an institution of higher learning, including but not limited to, diversity offices, cultural competency trainings, bias awareness programs, and affinity groups.

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

1. Private entities within institutions of higher learning shall have the right to establish, maintain, and participate in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Initiatives including offices, trainings, and programs, independently of the policies or actions of the institution itself.
  - a. Any student or private entity who is denied this right may bring an action against the institution for injunctive or declaratory relief.
2. In the event that an institution of higher education is prohibited from implementing or supporting DEI Initiatives by state law or institutional policy,

private entities within the institution shall retain the right to continue their own DEI Initiatives without interference.

- a. In the case of such an event, the institution must make an effort to inform the student body about the rights of private entities to continue DEI initiatives no later than one week following the passage of a prohibitory policy.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If an institution of higher education has violated this section, the State must send one written warning compelling the institution to comply. The institution must comply no later than two weeks after the letter has been received.
2. If the institution still does not comply at the end of the two (2) weeks following a written warning, the state shall assess an administrative penalty against the institution.
  - i. This penalty will be in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of the institution's operating expenses budgeted for the state fiscal year preceding the state fiscal year in which the violation occurred.
  - ii. An administrative penalty collected may be appropriated to the Oklahoma State Department of Education.

Section 5. This act shall become effective by the beginning of the 2024-2025 academic year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-006

Minton (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to children; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for repealing 10A O.S. § 18-112; providing for codification; amending 10 O.S. § 7700-301; amending 10 O.S. § 7700-302; 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 “Parental Rights for All” Act of 2024.

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

1. Court – District or juvenile court that has jurisdiction over the adoption process.
2. Petitioner - Person or persons filing the petition for adoption.

Section 3. REPEALER 10A O.S. § 1-8-112 is hereby repealed.

~~Private child-placing agencies—Objection to placement of a child based on religious or moral convictions or policies.~~

~~A. To the extent allowed by federal law, no private child-placing agency shall be required to perform, assist, counsel, recommend, consent to, refer, or participate in any placement of a child for foster care or adoption when the proposed placement would violate the agency's written religious or moral convictions or policies.~~

~~B. The Department of Human Services shall not deny an application for an initial license or renewal of a license or revoke the license of a private child-placing agency because of the agency's objection to performing, assisting, counseling, recommending, consenting to, referring, or participating in a placement that violates the agency's written religious or moral convictions or policies.~~

~~C. A state or local government entity may not deny a private child-placing agency any grant, contract, or participation in a government program because of the agency's objection to performing, assisting, counseling, recommending,~~



~~consenting to, referring, or participating in a placement that violates the agency's written religious or moral convictions or policies.~~

~~D. Refusal of a private child-placing agency to perform, assist, counsel, recommend, consent to, refer, or participate in a placement that violates the agency's written religious or moral convictions or policies shall not form the basis of a civil action.~~

~~E. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, a private child-placing agency shall not refuse to perform any act otherwise required by state or federal law, or authorize any act otherwise prohibited by state or federal law. The provisions of this act shall not be construed to allow a private child-placing agency to refuse any services to a child in the custody of the Department.~~

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

#### Confirmatory Adoption

1. Whenever a child is conceived as a result of assisted reproduction and the person who did not give birth is a parent or a presumed parent or when married parents engaging in surrogacy in another state that results in a court order establishing only one spouse as the parent, the parents may complete an adoption of the child to affirm parentage in accordance with this section. Both parents must join the petition as petitioners.
2. A complete petition for adoption must include:
  - a. One of the following:
    - i. A copy of the petitioners' marriage certificate if the parents are married at the time of birth.
    - ii. A copy of the petitioners' civil union certificate if the parents are in a civil union at the time of birth.
    - iii. A sworn affidavit signed by both parents of a partnership declaring why the parent who did not give birth explains the circumstances of birth.
  - b. A declaration by the persons that are parents based on contributing gametes or consenting to the conception of a child through assisted reproduction attesting that the child was born as a result of assisted reproduction and attesting that no competing claims of parentage exists.
  - c. A copy of the child's birth certificate.
  - d. If the child has attained the age of twelve (12) years of age, the consent of the child.
  - e. A sworn statement by each petitioner acknowledging parentage.

3. A complete petition as described in the section above serves as the petitioners' written consent to adoption.
4. If the child is conceived using sperm, an egg, or an embryo from a donor, the Court shall not require notice of the adoption to the donor or consent to the adoption by the donor.
5. The petitioners may file in and jurisdiction is appropriate in any of the following:
  - a. The county where the child at issue is conceived and/or born.
  - b. The county of residence of one or both of the petitioners.
  - c. An Oklahoma county chosen by the petitioners so long as the child was conceived or born in Oklahoma. The petitioners are not required to be residents of Oklahoma for jurisdiction to be appropriate so long as the child was conceived and born in Oklahoma.
6. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court for good cause shown, for purposes of evaluating and granting a petition for adoption pursuant to this section, the Court shall not require:
  - a. An in-person hearing or appearance.
  - b. A home study by, notice to, or approval of the State Department of Human Services or a licensed child placement agency.
  - c. Fingerprinting or a criminal offender record information search.
  - d. Verification that the child is not registered with the Federal Register for Missing Children or the Central Register.
  - e. A minimum residency period in the home of the petitioner.
7. The Court shall grant the adoption and issue a decree of adoption within thirty days after finding:
  - a. The Petitioner filed a complete petition pursuant to Subsection 2 of this section.
  - b. Either:
    - i. For parents who are spouses or civil union partners, the Petitioners were married or civil union partners at the time of the Child's conception or birth.
    - ii. For presumed parents, or aunts or other person with a claim to parentage of the child who is required to provide notice of, or consent to, the adoption, the person has received notice and provided consent to the adoption.
  - c. A petition to adopt pursuant to this section, when a petitioner's parentage is presumed or legally recognized under Oklahoma Law, must not be denied solely on the basis that the Petitioner's parentage is already presumed or legally recognized.

- d. When parentage is presumed or legally recognized pursuant to Oklahoma Law, failure to petition for adoption pursuant to this section may not be considered as evidence when two or more presumptions conflict nor in determining the best interest of the child.
8. After the decree of adoption is issued regarding a child born to one or more parents, regardless of marital status, each parent is considered an equal parent with equal parenting rights and responsibilities.
9. The decree of adoption must include findings that the parent who gave birth, or the adjudicated parent, and the parent who adopted the child are parents of the child.

Section 5. AMENDING 10 O.S. § 7700-301 is amended to read as follows:

Voluntary acknowledgment of paternity parentage.

1. ~~The mother parents~~ of a child ~~and a man claiming to be the genetic father of the child~~ may sign an acknowledgment of paternity parentage with intent to establish the ~~man's paternity parentage of the child~~.

Section 6. AMENDING 10 O.S. § 7700-302 is amended to read as follows:

Requirements of acknowledgment – Void and voidable acknowledgment.

- A. An acknowledgment of paternity parentage shall:
  1. Be in a record and on the form prescribed by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Section 20 of this act;
  2. Be signed, or otherwise authenticated, under penalty of perjury by the ~~mother and by the man~~ parents seeking to establish ~~his paternity the parentage of the child~~;
  3. State that the child whose paternity parentage is being acknowledged:
    - a. does not have a presumed ~~father~~ parent, or has a presumed ~~father~~ parent whose full name is stated, and
    - b. does not have another acknowledged or adjudicated ~~father~~ parent;
  4. State whether there has been genetic testing and, if so, that the acknowledging ~~man's the parent's~~ claim of paternity is consistent with the results of the testing; and
  5. State that the signatories understand that the acknowledgment is the equivalent of a judicial adjudication of paternity parentage of the child and that a challenge to the acknowledgment is permitted only under limited circumstances and is barred after two (2) years.
- B. An acknowledgment of paternity parentage shall be void if it:

1. States that another ~~man person~~ is a presumed ~~father parent~~, unless a denial of ~~paternity parentage~~ signed or otherwise authenticated by the presumed ~~father parent~~ is filed with the State Department of Health, Division of Vital Records; or
  2. States that another ~~man person~~ is an acknowledged or adjudicated ~~father parent~~.
- C. An acknowledgment of ~~paternity parentage~~ is voidable if it falsely denies the existence of a presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated ~~father parent~~ of the child.
- D. A presumed ~~father parent~~ may sign or otherwise authenticate an acknowledgment of ~~paternity parentage~~.

Section 7. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

#### Adoption Non-Discrimination

1. It shall be unlawful to deny any adoption or prohibit the adoption process for any child on the basis of age, sex, race, color, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, or handicap.

Section 8. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes to read as follows:

#### Foster Parent Non-Discrimination

1. It shall be unlawful to deny any foster parent or prohibit the fostering process for any child on the basis of age, sex, race, color, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, or handicap.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a adoption and/or foster agency engages in discrimination of placement of a child based on a protected class shall be subject to agency review by the CCS Residential and Child Placing Agency with the following guidance:
  - a. First violation shall result in a five-thousand dollar (\$5000) fine.
  - b. Second violation shall result in a revocation of licensing for one (1) year.
  - c. Third violation shall result in a permanent revocation of licensing.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-007

Minton (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to architecture; 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 “Hostile Architecture Prohibition” Act of 2024.

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

1. Public Body - A state, county, city, town, or municipality that receives public funding for construction
2. Public Space - Any publicly accessible building or real property owned or operated by a public body
3. Hostile Architecture - Any building or structure that is designed or intended to prevent people experiencing homelessness from sitting or lying on the building or structure at street level. This does not include design elements intended to prevent individuals from skateboarding or rollerblading, to prevent vehicles from entering certain areas, or to prevent civil or criminal unlawful acts.
4. Construction Industries Board (CIB) - The state agency whose work is essential and whose mission is critical to the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the public.
5. Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) - A judge and trier of fact who both presides over trials and adjudicates claims or disputes involving administrative law.

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

1. A public body shall not install or construct hostile architecture elements designed to restrict the use of any public space by people experiencing homelessness.

2. The Constructions Industries Board (CIB) shall be responsible for the implementation of this law through construction inspections throughout the State of Oklahoma.
  - a. All public bodies shall submit all construction plans to the CIB to ensure no hostile architecture is planned.
  - b. The CIB shall set up a form for reporting current hostile architecture that falls under the jurisdiction of this law.
  - c. The CIB shall investigate all reports of merit to determine if the architecture is hostile and report their findings to an administrative law judge (ALJ).
    - i. An ALJ shall oversee a hearing on the infrastructure and write a recommendation to the CIB regarding the infrastructure and a timeline for removal.
    - ii. The public body shall have the opportunity to argue to the ALJ on whether the architecture counts under this law and/or the imposing penalties for the removal of the hostile architecture.
    - iii. After the ALJ makes their recommendation, the CIB shall adopt the recommendation working with the public body to ensure compliance.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any public body found by the CIB and the ALJ to have hostile infrastructure shall be subject to a minimum one (1) year to a maximum five (5) years to remove the hostile architecture.
2. Any noncompliance to the adopted recommendation of the ALJ by public bodies shall see any funding decrease ten percent (10%) per year to their budget supplied from state bodies.

#### Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1st, 2025.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-008

Minton (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to dogs; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; 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 “Dog Breed Non-Discrimination” Act of 2024.

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

1. Local government - any political subdivision of Oklahoma including a county, township, municipality, or other unit of government, if the political subdivision provides local government services for residents in a geographically limited area of this state as its primary purpose and has the power to act primarily on behalf of that area.
2. Breed - a specific lineage or variety of domestic dog that has been selectively bred by humans for particular traits and characteristics
3. Perceived Breed - the apparent breed or mix of breeds that people believe a dog to be based on its physical characteristics, behavior, or other observable traits
4. Service Dogs - a specially trained canine that assists individuals with disabilities by performing specific tasks to mitigate the effects of their disability and is legally permitted to accompany their handler in public places
5. Landlord - an individual or entity who owns real estate property and rents or leases it to another party in exchange for payment, typically referred to as rent who falls under the duties of O.S. 41 § 118.

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

1. No local government may enact, maintain, or enforce any ordinance, policy, resolution, or other enactment that is specific as to the breed or perceived

breed of a dog. This section does not impair the right of any local government unit to enact, maintain, or enforce any form of regulation that applies to all dogs less service dogs.

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

1. No landlord may enact, maintain, or enforce any policy that is specific as to the breed or perceived breed of a dog. This section does not impair the right of a landlord to enact, maintain, or enforce any form of policy that applies to all dogs less service dogs.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-009

Smith (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to workplace drug testing; providing a short title; amending 40 O.S. § 552; amending 40 O.S. § 554; amending 40 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 “Workplace Privacy” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 40 O.S. § 552 is amended to read as follows:

As used in the Standards for Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Act:

1. “Alcohol” means ethyl alcohol or ethanol;
2. “Applicant” means a person who has applied for a position with an employer and received a conditional offer of employment;
3. “Board” means the State Board of Health;
4. “Confirmation test” means a drug or alcohol test on a sample to substantiate the results of a prior drug or alcohol test on the same sample and which uses different chemical principles and is of equal or greater accuracy than the prior drug or alcohol test. Where a breathalyzer test is utilized, a confirmation test means a second sample test that confirms the prior result. Where a single-use test is utilized, a confirmation test means a second test confirmed by a testing facility. A breath or blood specimen may be used for the confirmation test for alcohol. A urine, saliva or blood specimen may be used for the confirmation test for drugs;
5. “Department” means the State Department of Health;
6. “Drug” means amphetamines, ~~cannabinoids~~, cocaine, phencyclidine (PCP), ~~hallucinogens~~, methaqualone, opiates, barbiturates, benzodiazepines, synthetic narcotics, designer drugs, or a metabolite of any of the substances listed herein;
7. “Drug or alcohol test” means a chemical test administered for the purpose of determining the presence or absence of a drug or its metabolites or alcohol in a person's bodily tissue, fluids or products. Adulteration of a specimen or of a drug or alcohol test shall be considered as a refusal to test;

8. "Employee" means any person who supplies labor for remuneration to his or her employer in this state and shall not include an independent contractor, subcontractor or employees of an independent contractor; provided, however, an independent contractor, subcontractor, or employees of an independent contractor, may be subject to a workplace drug or alcohol testing policy under the terms of the contractual agreement when the drug or alcohol testing policy applies to other workers at the job site or workers who are in the same or similar classification or group;
9. "Employer" means any person, firm, corporation, partnership, association, nonprofit organization or public employer, which has one or more employees within this state, or which has offered or may offer employment to one or more individuals in this state;
10. "Public employer" means the State of Oklahoma or any political subdivision thereof, including any department, agency, board, commission, institution, authority, public trust, municipality, county, district or instrumentalities thereof;
11. "Review officer" means a person, qualified by the State Board of Health, who is responsible for receiving results from a testing facility which have been generated by an employer's drug or alcohol testing program, and who has knowledge and training to interpret and evaluate an individual's test results together with the individual's medical history and any other relevant information;
12. "Sample" means tissue, fluid or product of the human body chemically capable of revealing the presence of drugs or alcohol in the human body; and
13. "Testing facility" means a facility which provides laboratory services to test samples for the presence of drugs or alcohol.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 40 O.S. § 554 is amended to read as follows:

Employers may conduct drug and alcohol testing in accordance with the Standards for Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Act. Employers who choose to conduct drug or alcohol testing may only request or require an applicant or employee to undergo testing under any of the following circumstances:

1. Applicant and transfer/reassignment testing: A public or private employer may request ~~or require~~ an applicant to undergo drug or alcohol testing ~~and may use a refusal to undergo testing or a positive test result as a basis for refusal to hire.~~ A public or private employer may also request ~~or require~~ an employee who transfers to a different position or job, or who is reassigned to a different position or job, to undergo drug or alcohol testing;

2. For-cause testing: A public or private employer may request ~~or require~~ an employee to undergo drug or alcohol testing at any time it reasonably believes that the employee may be under the influence of drugs or alcohol, including, but not limited to, the following circumstances:
  - A. drugs or alcohol on or about the employee's person or in the employee's vicinity,
  - B. conduct on the employee's part that suggests impairment or influence of drugs or alcohol,
  - C. a report of drug or alcohol use while at work or on duty, or
  - D. information that an employee has tampered with drug or alcohol testing at any time;
  - ~~E. negative performance patterns, or~~
  - ~~F. excessive or unexplained absenteeism or tardiness;~~
3. Post-accident testing: A public or private employer may ~~require~~ request an employee to undergo drug or alcohol testing if the employee or another person has sustained an injury while at work or property has been damaged while at work, including damage to equipment. ~~For purposes of workers' compensation, no employee who tests positive for the presence of substances defined and consumed pursuant to Section 465.20 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes, alcohol, illegal drugs, or illegally used chemicals, or refuses to take a drug or alcohol test required by the employer, shall be eligible for such compensation;~~
4. Random testing: A public or private employer may request ~~or require~~ an employee or all members of an employment classification or group to undergo drug or alcohol testing at random and may limit its random testing programs to particular employment classifications or groups, except that a public employer may require random testing only of employees who:
  - A. are police or peace officers,
  - B. have drug interdiction responsibilities,
  - C. are authorized to carry firearms,
  - D. are engaged in activities which directly affect the safety of others,
  - E. are working for a public hospital including any hospital owned or operated by a municipality, county, or public trust, or
  - F. work in direct contact with inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections or work in direct contact with juvenile delinquents or children in need of supervision in the custody of the Department of Human Services;
5. Scheduled, fitness-for-duty, return from leave and other periodic testing: A public or private employer may request ~~or require~~ an employee to undergo drug or alcohol testing if the test is conducted as a routine part of a routinely

scheduled employee fitness-for-duty medical examination, or is requested ~~or required~~ by the employer in connection with an employee's return to duty from leave of absence, or which is scheduled routinely as part of the employer's written policy, except that a public employer may require scheduled, periodic testing only of employees who:

- A. are police or peace officers,
- B. have drug interdiction responsibilities,
- C. are authorized to carry firearms,
- D. are engaged in activities which directly affect the safety of others,
- E. are working for a public hospital including any hospital owned or operated by a municipality, county, or public trust, or
- F. work in direct contact with inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections or work in direct contact with juvenile delinquents or children in need of supervision in the custody of the Department of Human Services; and

~~6. Post-rehabilitation testing: A public or private employer may request or require an employee to undergo drug or alcohol testing for a period of up to two (2) years commencing with the employee's return to work, following a positive test or following participation in a drug or alcohol dependency treatment program.~~

Section 4. AMENDATORY 40 O.S. § 556 is amended to read as follows:

Any drug or alcohol testing by an employer shall be deemed work time for purposes of compensation and benefits for current employees.

An employer shall pay all costs of testing for drugs or alcohol required by the employer. ~~Provided, however, if~~ If an employee or applicant requests a confirmation test of a sample within ~~twenty-four (24)~~ seventy-two (72) hours of receiving notice of a positive test in order to challenge the results of a positive test, the ~~employee or applicant~~ employer shall pay all costs of the confirmation test, ~~unless the confirmation test reverses the findings of the challenged positive test. In such case, the employer shall reimburse the individual for the costs of the confirmation test.~~

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-010

Smith (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the regulation of hallucinogens; providing a short title; providing for definitions; amending 63 O.S. § 2-204(C); amending 63 O.S. § 2-212(A); 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 “Decriminalizing Nature” Act of 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

1. “Administration session” means a session held at a healing center or another location as permitted by rules adopted by the Department at which a participant purchases, consumes, and experiences the effects of a natural medicine under the supervision of a facilitator.
2. “Bureau” means the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drug Control.
3. “Integration session” means a meeting between a client and a psilocybin service facilitator that may occur after the client completes an administration session.
4. “Facilitator” means a person licensed by the Department who:
  - A. is twenty-one years of age or older.
  - B. has agreed to provide natural medicine services to a participant.
  - C. has met the requirements established by the Department.
5. “Healing Center” means an entity licensed by the Department that is organized and operated as a permitted organization:
  - A. that acquires, possesses, cultivates, manufactures, delivers, transfers, transports, supplies, sells, or dispenses natural medicine and related supplies; or provides natural medicine for natural medicine services at locations permitted by the Department; or engages in two or more of these activities;
  - B. where administration sessions are held; or
  - C. where natural medicine services are provided by a facilitator.

6. "Health-Care Facility" means a hospital, hospice, community mental health center, federally qualified health center, rural health clinic, pace organization, long-term care facility, a continuing care retirement community, or other type of facility where health-care is provided.
7. "Natural Medicine" means the following substances in any form that would cause such plant or fungus to be described in the "Uniform Controlled Substances Act of 2013", Article 18 of Title 18: dimethyltryptamine; ibogaine; mescaline (excluding *lophophora williamsii* ("peyote")); psilocybin; or psilocyn.
8. "Natural Medicine Services" means services provided by a facilitator or other authorized person to a participant before, during, and after the participant's consumption of natural medicine, including, at a minimum at:
  - A. a preparation session;
  - B. an administration session; and
  - C. an integration session.
9. "Participant" means a person twenty-one years of age or older who receives natural medicine services.
10. "Preparation Session" means a meeting between a participant and a facilitator that occurs before the participant participates in the administration session.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. § 2-204(C) is amended to read as follows:

- C. Any material, compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of the following hallucinogenic substances, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, unless specifically excepted, when the existence of these salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible within the specific chemical designation:
  1. Methcathinone;
  2. 3, 4-methylenedioxy amphetamine;
  3. 3, 4-methylenedioxy methamphetamine;
  4. 5-methoxy-3, 4-methylenedioxy amphetamine;
  5. 3, 4, 5-trimethoxy amphetamine;
  6. Bufotenine;
  7. Diethyltryptamine;
  8. Dimethyltryptamine;
  9. 4-methyl-2, 5-dimethoxyamphetamine;
  10. Ibogaine;
  11. Lysergic acid diethylamide;
  12. Marijuana;
  13. Mescaline;

14. N-benzylpiperazine;
15. N-ethyl-3-piperidyl benzilate;
16. N-methyl-3-piperidyl benzilate;
17. ~~Psilocybin~~;
18. ~~Psilocyn~~;
19. 2, 5 dimethoxyamphetamine;
20. 4-Bromo-2, 5-dimethoxyamphetamine;
21. 4-methoxyamphetamine;
22. Cyclohexamine;
23. Salvia Divinorum;
24. Salvinorin A;
25. Thiophene Analog of Phencyclidine. Also known as: 1-(1-(2-thienyl) cyclohexyl) piperidine; 2-Thienyl Analog of Phencyclidine; TPCP, TCP;
26. Phencyclidine (PCP);
27. Pyrrolidine Analog for Phencyclidine. Also known as 1-(1-Phenylcyclohexyl) - Pyrrolidine, PCPy, PHP;
28. 1-(3-trifluoromethylphenyl) piperazine;
29. Flunitrazepam;
30. B-hydroxy-amphetamine;
31. B-ketoamphetamine;
32. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-nitroamphetamine;
33. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-bromophenethylamine;
34. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-chlorophenethylamine;
35. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-iodoamphetamine;
36. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-iodophenethylamine;
37. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-methylphenethylamine;
38. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-ethylphenethylamine;
39. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-fluorophenethylamine;
40. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-nitrophenethylamine;
41. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-ethylthio-phenethylamine;
42. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-isopropylthio-phenethylamine;
43. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-propylthio-phenethylamine;
44. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-cyclopropylmethylthio-phenethylamine;
45. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-tert-butylthio-phenethylamine;
46. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-(2-fluoroethylthio)-phenethylamine;
47. 5-methoxy-N, N-dimethyltryptamine;
48. N-methyltryptamine;
49. A-ethyltryptamine;
50. A-methyltryptamine;

51. N, N-diethyltryptamine;
52. N, N-diisopropyltryptamine;
53. N, N-dipropyltryptamine;
54. 5-methoxy-a-methyltryptamine;
55. 4-hydroxy-N, N-diethyltryptamine;
56. 4-hydroxy-N, N-diisopropyltryptamine;
57. 5-methoxy-N, N-diisopropyltryptamine;
58. 4-hydroxy-N-isopropyl-N-methyltryptamine;
59. 3,4-Methylenedioxymethcathinone (Methylone);
60. 3,4-Methylenedioxypropylamphetamine (MDPV);
61. 4-Methylmethcathinone (Mephedrone);
62. 4-methoxymethcathinone;
63. 4-Fluoromethcathinone;
64. 3-Fluoromethcathinone;
65. 1-(8-bromobenzo 1,2-b;4,5-b' difuran-4-yl)-2-aminopropane;
66. 2,5-Dimethoxy-4-chloroamphetamine;
67. 4-Methylethcathinone;
68. Pyrovalerone;
69. N,N-diallyl-5-methoxytryptamine;
70. 3,4-Methylenedioxy-N-ethylcathinone (Ethylone);
71. B-keto-N-Methylbenzodioxolylbutanamine (Butylone);
72. B-keto-Methylbenzodioxolylpentanamine (Pentylone);
73. Alpha-Pyrrolidinopentiophenone;
74. 4-Fluoroamphetamine;
75. Pentedrone;
76. 4'-Methyl-a-pyrrolidinohexaphenone;
77. 2,5-dimethoxy-4-(n)-propylphenethylamine;
78. 2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine;
79. 1,4-Dibenzylpiperazine;
80. N,N-Dimethylamphetamine;
81. 4-Fluoromethamphetamine;
82. 4-Chloro-2,5-dimethoxy-N-(2-methoxybenzyl)phenethylamine (25C-NBOMe);
83. 4-Iodo-2,5-dimethoxy-N-(2-methoxybenzyl)phenethylamine (25I-NBOMe);
84. 4-Bromo-2,5-dimethoxy-N-(2-methoxybenzyl)phenethylamine (25B-NBOMe);
85. 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)piperazine;
86. Methoxetamine;
87. 3,4-dichloro-N[2-dimethylamino)cyclohexyl]-N-methylbenzamide;



88. N-ethyl hexadrone;
89. Isopropyl-U-47700;
90. Para-fluorobutryl fentanyl;
91. Fluoro isobutryl fentanyl;
92. 3-Hydroxy Phencyclidine (PCP);
93. 3-methoxy Phencyclidine (PCP);
94. Flualprazolam; or
95. Flubromazolam.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. § 2-212(A) is amended to read as follows:

- A. Any material, compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of the following substances having a potential for abuse associated with a stimulant or depressant effect on the central nervous system:
  1. Chloral betaine;
  2. Chloral hydrate;
  3. Ethchlorvynol;
  4. Ethinamate;
  5. Meprobamate;
  6. Paraldehyde;
  7. Petrichloral;
  8. Diethylpropion;
  9. Phentermine;
  10. Pemoline;
  11. Chlordiazepoxide;
  12. Chlordiazepoxide and its salts, but not including chlordiazepoxide hydrochloride and clidinium bromide or chlordiazepoxide and water-soluble esterified estrogens;
  13. Diazepam;
  14. Oxazepam;
  15. Clorazepate;
  16. Flurazepam and its salts;
  17. Clonazepam;
  18. Barbital;
  19. Mebutamate;
  20. Methohexital;
  21. Methylphenobarbital;
  22. Phenobarbital;
  23. Fenfluramine;
  24. Pentazocine;

25. Propoxyphene;
26. Butorphanol;
27. Alprazolam;
28. Halazepam;
29. Lorazepam;
30. Prazepam;
31. Temazepam;
32. Triazolam;
33. Carisoprodol;
34. Dichloralphenazone;
35. Estazolam;
36. Eszopiclone;
37. Midazolam;
38. Modafinil;
39. Zaleplon;
40. Zolpidem;
41. Tramadol;
42. Bromazepam;
43. Suvorexant;
44. Phenazepam;
45. Psilocybin;
46. Psilocyn;
47. Etizolam; or
48. Clonazolam.

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

1. The Regulated Natural Medicine Access Program is established and the Bureau shall regulate the manufacture, cultivation, testing, storage, transfer, transport, delivery, sale, and purchase of natural medicines by and between healing centers and other permitted entities and the provision of natural medicine services to participants.
2. Not later than January 1, 2026, the Bureau shall adopt rules to establish the qualifications, education, and training requirements that facilitators must meet prior to providing natural medicine services, and to approve any required training programs.
3. Not later than September 30, 2026, the Bureau shall adopt rules necessary to implement the regulated natural medicine access program and shall begin

accepting applications for licensure by that date with decisions made on all licensing applications within 60 days of receiving the application.

4. For purposes of the regulated natural medicine access program set forth in this section:
  - A. Until June 1, 2026, the term natural medicine shall only include psilocybin and psilocyn.
  - B. After June 1, 2026, if recommended by the Natural Medicine Advisory Board, the Bureau may add one or more of the following to the term natural medicine: dimethyltryptamine; ibogaine; and mescaline (excluding *lophophora williamsii* (“peyote”))
  - C. The Bureau may prepare proposed rules for the addition of dimethyltryptamine; ibogaine; and mescaline (excluding *lophophora williamsii* (“peyote”)) to the term natural medicine prior to June 1, 2026, in the event that dimethyltryptamine; ibogaine; or mescaline (excluding *lophophora williamsii* (“peyote”)) is added to the term natural medicine under subsection (4)(b) of this section.
  - D. In carrying out its duties, the Bureau shall consult with the Natural Medicine Advisory Board and may also consult with other state agencies or any other individual or entity the Bureau finds necessary.
  - E. The rules adopted by the Bureau shall include, but are not limited to, rules to:
    1. Establish the requirements governing the safe provision of natural medicine services to participants that include:
      - i. Holding and verifying completion of a preparation session, an administration session, and an integration session.
      - ii. Health and safety warnings that must be provided to participants before natural medicine services begin.
      - iii. Educational materials that must be provided to participants before natural medicine services begin.
      - iv. The form that each facilitator, participant, and authorized representative of a healing center must sign before providing or receiving natural medicine services verifying that the participant was provided accurate and complete health information and informed of identified risk factors and contraindications.
      - v. Proper supervision during the administration session and safe transportation for the participant when the session is complete.

- vi. Provisions for group administration sessions where one or more facilitators provide natural medicine services to more than one participant as part of the same administration session.
  - vii. Provisions to allow a facilitator or a healing center to refuse to provide natural medicine services to a participant.
  - viii. The requirements and standards for independent testing of natural medicine for concentration and contaminants, to the extent available technology reasonably permits.
  - ix. The licensure of entities permitted to engage in the testing of natural medicine for use in natural medicine services or otherwise.
  - x. The standards for advertising and marketing natural medicine and natural medicine services.
  - xi. The standards for qualification as a permitted organization addressing, without limitation, environmental, social, and governance criteria directed to the findings and declarations.
2. Establish the requirements governing the licensing and practice of facilitators that include:
- i. The form and content of license and renewal applications for facilitators submitted.
  - ii. The qualifications, education, and training requirements that facilitators must meet prior to providing natural medicine services. The requirements shall:
    - a. Be tiered so as to require varying levels of education and training depending on the participants the facilitator will be working with and the services the facilitator will be providing.
    - b. Include education and training on client safety; contraindications; mental health; mental state; physical health; physical state; social and cultural considerations; physical environment; preparation; integration; and ethics.
    - c. Not impose unreasonable financial or logistical barriers that make obtaining a facilitator license commercially unreasonable for low income people or other applicants.

- d. Allow for the provision of natural medicine services to more than one participant at a time in group administration sessions.
    - iii. Oversight and supervision requirements for facilitators, including professional responsibility standards and continuing education requirements.
    - iv. A complaint, review, and disciplinary process for facilitators who engage in misconduct.
    - v. Procedures for suspending or revoking the licenses of facilitators who violate the provisions of this article or the rules adopted by the Bureau.
3. Establish the requirements governing the licensing and operation of healing centers that include:
  - i. Qualifications for licensure and renewal.
  - ii. Oversight requirements for healing centers.
  - iii. Recordkeeping, privacy, and confidentiality requirements for healing centers.
4. Establish procedures, policies, and programs to ensure the regulatory access program is equitable and inclusive and to promote the licensing of and the provision of natural medicine services to persons from communities that have been disproportionately harmed by high rates of controlled substances arrests; to persons who face barriers to access to health care; to persons who have a traditional or Indigenous history with natural medicines; or to persons who are veterans.
5. Establish application, licensing, and renewal fees for healing center and facilitator licenses. The fees shall be:
  - i. Sufficient, but shall not exceed the amount necessary, to cover the cost of administering the regulated natural medicine access program, including the regulated natural medicine access program fund.
6. Develop and promote accurate public education campaigns related to the use of natural medicine, including but not limited to public service announcements, educational curricula, and appropriate crisis response, and appropriate training for first-and multi-responders including law enforcement, emergency medical services, social services, and fire services.
7. Collect and annually publish data on the implementation and outcomes of the regulated natural medicine access program in accordance with good data and privacy practices and that does

not disclose any identifying information about individual licensees or participants.

5. The Natural Medicine Advisory Board shall be established within the Oklahoma State Department of Health for the purpose of advising the Bureau as to the implementation of the regulated natural medicine access program.
6. The Board shall consist of fifteen members. Members shall be appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate.
7. Members of the initial Board shall be appointed by January 31, 2025. in making the appointments, the Governor shall appoint:
  - A. At least seven members with significant expertise and experience in one or more of the following areas: natural medicine therapy, medicine, and research; mycology and natural medicine cultivation; permitted organization criteria; emergency medical services and services provided by first responders; mental and behavioral health providers; health care insurance and health care policy; and public health, drug policy, and harm reduction.
  - B. At least eight members with significant expertise and experience in one or more of the following areas: religious use of natural medicines; issues confronting veterans; traditional Indigenous use of natural medicines; levels and disparities in access to health care services among different communities; and past criminal justice reform efforts in colorado. at least one of the eight members shall have expertise or experience in traditional Indigenous use of natural medicines.
8. For the initial Board, seven of the members shall be appointed to a term of two years and eight members shall be appointed to a term of four years. each member appointed thereafter shall be appointed to a term of four years. Members of the Board may serve up to two consecutive terms. members are subject to removal as deemed by the Oklahoma State Department of Health.
9. Not later than September 30, 2025, and annually thereafter, the Board shall make recommendations to the Bureau related to, but not limited to, all of the following areas:
  - A. Accurate public health approaches regarding use, effect, and risk reduction for natural medicine and the content and scope of educational campaigns related to natural medicine;
  - B. Research related to the efficacy and regulation of natural medicine, including recommendations related to product safety, harm reduction, and cultural responsibility;
  - C. The proper content of training programs, educational and experiential requirements, and qualifications for facilitators;

D. Affordable, equitable, ethical, and culturally responsible access to natural medicine and requirements to ensure the regulated natural medicine access program is equitable and inclusive;

E. Appropriate regulatory considerations for each natural medicine;

10. The Board shall, on an ongoing basis, review and evaluate existing research, studies, and real-world data related to natural medicine and make recommendations to the legislature and other relevant state agencies as to whether natural medicine and associated services should be covered under SoonerCare or other insurance programs as a cost effective intervention for various mental health conditions, including but not limited to end of life anxiety, substance use disorder, alcoholism, depressive disorders, neurological disorders, cluster headaches, and post traumatic stress disorder.
11. The Board shall, on an ongoing basis, review and evaluate sustainability issues related to natural medicine and impact on Indigenous cultures and document existing reciprocity efforts and continuing support measures that are needed as part of its annual report.
12. The Board shall publish an annual report describing its activities including the recommendations and advice provided to the Bureau and the legislature.
13. The Regulated Natural Medicine Access Program fund is hereby created in the State Treasury. The fund is administered by the Oklahoma State Department of Health and consists of all money from fees collected and money transferred from the general fund under this article. All interest and income earned on the deposit and investment of money in the fund shall be credited to the fund and shall not be transferred to the general fund or any other state fund at the end of any state fiscal year.
14. The Oklahoma State Department of Health may seek, accept, and expend any gifts, grants, donations, loan of funds, property, or any other revenue or aid in any form from the state, any state agency, any other public source, any private source, or any combination thereof, and any such monetary receipts shall be credited to the fund and any such in-kind receipts shall be applied for the benefit of the fund.
15. The money in the fund is continually appropriated to the Oklahoma State Department of Health for the direct and indirect costs of carrying out the provisions of this article.
16. Funds for the initial establishment and support of the regulatory activities by the Oklahoma State Department of Health under this article, including the Natural Medicine Advisory Board, the development and promotion of public education campaigns related to the use of natural medicine, and the development of the policies, procedures, and programs shall be advanced from the General Fund to the Regulated Natural Medicine Access Program Fund

and shall be repaid to the General Fund by the initial proceeds from fees collected pursuant to this article.

17. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall determine the amount of the initial advance from the general fund to the regulated natural medicine access program fund based on the estimated costs of establishing the program.
18. Subject to the limitations in this article, but notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following acts are not an offense under state law or the laws of any locality within the state or subject to a civil fine, penalty, or sanction, or the basis for detention, search, or arrest, or to deny any right or privilege, or to seize or forfeit assets under state law or the laws of any locality, if the person is twenty-one years of age or older:
  - A. Possessing, storing, using, processing, transporting, purchasing, obtaining, or ingesting natural medicine for personal use, or giving away natural medicine for personal use without remuneration to a person or persons twenty-one years of age or older.
  - B. Growing, cultivating, or processing plants or fungi capable of producing natural medicine for personal use if:
    1. The plants and fungi are kept in or on the grounds of a private home or residence; and
    2. The plants and fungi are secured from access by persons under twenty-one years of age.
  - C. Assisting another person or persons who are twenty-one years of age or older, or allowing property to be used, in any of the actions or conduct permitted under subsection.
  - D. Conduct permitted by this article shall not, by itself, be the basis for detention, search, or arrest; and the possession or suspicion of possession of natural medicine, or the possession of multiple containers of natural medicine, shall not individually or in combination with each other constitute reasonably articulable suspicion of a crime. Natural medicines as permitted by this article are not contraband nor subject to seizure and shall not be harmed or destroyed.
  - E. Conduct permitted by this article shall not, by itself, be the basis to deny eligibility for any public assistance program, unless required by federal law.
  - F. Nothing in this section shall be construed or interpreted to permit a person to give away any amount of natural medicine as part of a business promotion or other commercial activity or to permit paid advertising related to natural medicine, sharing of natural medicine, or services intended to be used concurrently with a person's consumption



of natural medicine. Such advertising may be considered evidence of commercial activity that is prohibited under this section. This provision does not preclude the donation of natural medicine by a person twenty-one years of age or older, payment for bona fide harm reduction services, bona fide therapy services, or other bona fide support services, maintaining personal or professional websites related to natural medicine services, dissemination of educational materials related to natural medicine, or limit the ability of a healing center to donate natural medicine or provide natural medicine at reduced cost consistent with Bureau rules.

Section 6. This act shall become effective on January 1, 2026.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-011

Watkins (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to statewide registries; 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 “Service Animal Registry” Act of 2024.

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

1. Statewide registry - is a website that non-profit service animal programs register what available service animals that they have and what the animals are trained for. Veterans may use the website to find a service animal to fit their needs, as well to connect with the different service animal programs.
2. Service animals - dogs that are individually trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities. Examples of such work or tasks include guiding people who are blind, alerting people who are deaf, pulling a wheelchair, alerting and protecting a person who is having a seizure, reminding a person with mental illness to take prescribed medications, calming a person with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) during an anxiety attack, or performing other duties. Service animals are working animals, not pets. The work or task a dog has been trained to provide must be directly related to the person’s disability.

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 Veterans Affairs shall establish a statewide database for the purpose of registering service animals. This database shall be made publicly accessible.
2. All non-profit and non-governmental organizations based and operating in the State of Oklahoma focused on service animal training and placement shall be required to register their service animals on this statewide database.

3. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall cooperate with the Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma when creating the database/registry.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Non-profit and non-governmental organizations that do not register their service animals to the database, shall be subject to a fine of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) dollars.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OSU-012

Watkins (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to health insurance; 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 “Lifetime Oklahoma National Guard Care” Act of 2024.

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

1. Service members- Any person who is enlisted in the Oklahoma National Guard.

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

1. The Oklahoma National Guard will provide lifetime health insurance to its service members.

Section 4. This act shall become effective January 1, 2025.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. RSC-001

Hayes (RSC)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Artificial Intelligence; 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 “Artificial Intelligence Regulation of Oklahoma (AIRO)” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Artificial Intelligence (AI)” – a branch of computer science dealing with the simulation of intelligent behavior in computers.
2. “Commission” – the Artificial Intelligence Oversight Commission established under this act.
3. “Stakeholder” — any entity with an interest or concern with Artificial Intelligence
4. “Oversight” — to review, monitor, and guide the development, deployment, and utilization of artificial intelligence within the jurisdiction to ensure compliance with ethical, legal, and societal standards.

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

1. The Artificial Intelligence Oversight Commission is hereby established to ensure the ethical development, deployment, and use of artificial intelligence technologies, to protect individual rights, and to foster public trust in AI technologies within the state.
  - A. The commission shall monitor the development and deployment of AI technologies within the state to ensure they adhere to ethical standards.
  - B. The commission shall advise the state government on AI policy and regulation to promote innovation while protecting public interests.

- C. The commission shall ensure compliance with state, federal, and international laws concerning AI.
  - D. The commission shall promote transparency and accountability in AI applications, possibly by requiring companies to register AI systems or disclose AI decision-making processes.
  - E. The commission shall research and engage with stakeholders, including the public, academia, industry, and advocacy groups, to gather input and feedback on AI governance issues.
2. The composition of the Commission should be diverse to cover all aspects of AI implications.
- A. The Commission shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the Governor, with advice and consent from the Senate, representing various stakeholders in the field of AI, including academia, industry, public advocacy groups, the legal profession, legislative experts, and a relevant government regulatory agency.
  - B. The composition of the Commission shall ensure a wide range of perspectives, promoting balanced and informed decision-making.

Section 5. PENALTIES

- 1. Any person or entity found in violation of the regulations established by the Commission may be subject to penalties as suggested and determined appropriate by said Commission.

Section 6. This act shall become effective thirty (30) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SE-001

Boner, A. (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to college courses; providing for definitions; providing for new law; providing for exceptions; providing for enforcement; providing for penalties; providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Make American College Affordable” Act of 2024

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

1. State educational institution: means any institution supported wholly or in part by direct legislative appropriations and offering courses of education of any kind beyond or in addition to the twelfth grade, or its equivalent, as such grade is generally understood and accepted in the public school system of Oklahoma, whether called a university, college, junior college, school or academy
2. Major: A major is the area of study that a student will specialize in when pursuing a degree at a State educational institution.
3. Minor: A minor is a secondary area of specialization beyond a major as defined in Section 2, Subsection B.
4. Semester hour: is an amount of work that reasonably approximates: (1) not less than forty-five (45) minutes of classroom time or direct faculty instruction.

Section 3. NEW LAW

1. No State educational institution (Institution) shall require students to enroll in a course that is not related to their Major or Minor, nor may the Institution require students to enroll in any general education class in which the majority of the material is repeated in another class that is related to the Major or Minor.

2. An Institution may substitute one (1) semester hour of Major or Minor related classes for every two (2) semester hours of classes removed by this title.

Section 4.      EXCEPTIONS

1. An Institution may require any student who changes their Major or Minor to enroll in Major or Minor related classes even if those classes repeat material from their previous Major or Minor.
2. Any class required under any other Oklahoma statute shall be exempt from this act.

Section 5.      ENFORCEMENT

1. The Oklahoma State Regents shall ensure all Institutions are complying with this statute, as provided in 70 O.S. § 50-3204.

Section 6.      PENALTIES

1. Any Institution found to be in violation of this act shall refund all tuition and associated costs for the violating class to all students prior to the end of the semester in which the Institution was found in violation.

Section 7.      This act shall become effective one hundred and eighty (180) days after passage and approval.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SE-002

Boner, D. (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to college academic holds; 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 “Don’t Hold Me” Act of 2024.

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

1. College: any institution supported wholly or in part by direct legislative appropriations and offering courses of education of any kind beyond or in addition to the twelfth grade, or its equivalent, as such grade is generally understood and accepted in the public school system of Oklahoma, whether called a university, college, junior college, school or academy.
2. Academic Hold: Restriction on a student from performing certain actions until the hold is resolved and removed.
3. Activity: As used in the Oklahoma Extracurricular Activities Accountability Act, a "school athletic association" means any private organization or association which charges the school or school district a membership fee, retains a portion of revenue generated by the interscholastic activities or contests of the member schools, and provides the coordination, supervision and regulation of the interscholastic activities and contests of the member schools.

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

1. Colleges that place academic holds on students must inform the student within eight (8) hours or one (1) business day, of the hold being placed, the reason for the hold, and how to rectify the hold. This shall be done without any action required by the student. This allows the student to have the knowledge on

hand in a reasonable amount of time to rectify the situation that prohibits them from registering for classes or participating in school activities.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SE-003

McLemore (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to college academic holds; 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 “Safe Savors” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Child welfare specialist” means a person employed by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS) to identify and assess allegations of child abuse and neglect.
2. Human leukocyte antigen (HLA) typing” means a genetic test used to match patients and donors for bone marrow, cord blood, or organ transplants
3. “In-vitro fertilization (IVF)” means a procedure in which eggs are removed from a woman’s ovary and joined with a man's sperm in a laboratory dish to form embryos to be placed in a woman’s uterus.
4. “Pediatrician” means a medical doctor who diagnoses, treats, examines, and prevents diseases and injuries in children and possesses a valid, unrestricted medical license and board certification in Pediatrics through either the American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) or the American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics (AOBP).
5. “Preimplantation genetic diagnosis (PGD)” means the testing of pre-implantation stage embryos or oocytes for genetic defects during IVF.
6. “Savior sibling” means a child conceived using PGD, HLA, and other forms of IVF in order to create a sibling for the purpose of providing biological material that can help treat or cure an existing terminally ill child.
7. “Self-regenerative biological material” means hematopoietic stem cells, blood stem cells, and bone marrow.
8. “Transplant center” means a healthcare facility that has a blood or bone marrow transplant program.

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

- A. The Oklahoma Department of Health and the Oklahoma Medical Board are hereby directed to create an oversight committee regarding the use of HLA, IVF, and PGD for the purposes of savior sibling conception.
  - 1. The oversight committee shall consist of seven (7) licensed healthcare professionals, as defined by 63 O.S. § 1-243.
    - i. The Oklahoma Medical Board shall appoint four (4) members employed by the Medical Board to the oversight committee.
    - ii. The Oklahoma Department of Health shall appoint three (3) members employed by the Department of Health to the oversight committee.
  - 2. The oversight committee shall be required to keep any medical records and psychological data pertaining to the savior sibling for at least seven (7) years following the completion of surgical procedures within the savior sibling role.
  - 3. The oversight committee shall elect from its members a chair and vice-chair who shall serve two (2) year terms.
  - 4. The Oklahoma Department of Health and the Oklahoma Medical Board are permitted to replace any member at any time.
  - 5. Members of the oversight committee shall not receive any compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed pursuant to 74 O.S. § 500.2.
- B. The oversight committee shall be required to present any psychological data obtained regarding all savior sibling cases heard annually to the Oklahoma Congress following the election of chair and vice-chair of the committee.
- C. The oversight committee shall enforce a program that assigns a licensed professional counselor (LPC), as defined by 59 O.S. § 1902, and, in consultation with OKDHS, a child welfare specialist to the savior sibling once it is born.
  - 1. The LPC is responsible for:
    - i. Explaining any medical procedures the savior sibling could encounter if the savior sibling is determined to be mature enough to understand.
    - ii. Regularly scheduling counseling sessions and collecting psychological data during the sessions.
  - 2. The child welfare specialist is responsible for:

- i. Voicing concerns over the welfare of the savior sibling if the savior sibling is not determined to be mature enough to understand.
    - ii. Making weekly visits during the recovery period following surgical procedures relating to the savior sibling role.
    - iii. Making annual visits to monitor the welfare of the savior sibling until the age of 18.
- D. Parents who wish to conceive a savior sibling are required to adhere to the following guidelines:
  1. Consult a pediatrician,
  2. Provide the following to the oversight committee:
    - i. Documentation from a pediatrician of a condition that is not immediately life threatening to the ill child but still poses a significant risk to the wellbeing of the ill child,
    - ii. Proof of a close, existing relationship between the savior sibling and the ill child,
    - iii. Proof of searching all possible routes of obtaining a living donor, with those routes proving unsuccessful.
- E. Pediatricians are required to adhere to the following guidelines:
  1. Provide documentation of a condition that is not immediately life threatening to the ill child but still poses a significant risk to the wellbeing of the child,
  2. Demonstration of attempts to find alternative routes to savior sibling conception.
  3. Inform the parents of the process of savior sibling conception, which includes, but is not limited to:
    - i. The risks the savior sibling could face.
    - ii. The risks and benefits that encompass transplant procedures.
    - iii. The limits of transplant procedures as described in subsection E of this section,
    - iv. The role of the LPC as described in subsection B of this section.
    - v. The role of the child welfare specialist as described in subsection B of this section.
- F. It shall be unlawful for surgical procedures to be performed for the purpose of transplanting materials from the savior sibling to another child, as prescribed in subsection C of this section, other than self-regenerative biological material.
  1. Umbilical cord blood stem cells are permitted for use under the provisions of this act.

- G. It shall be unlawful for a transplant center or licensed healthcare professional to solicit to perform, arrange for the performance of, or perform surgical procedures not prescribed by subsection E of this section when the patient is considered a savior sibling.
- H. It shall be unlawful for a transplant center to perform surgical procedures without first having written consent from the parents or legal guardian and the savior sibling.
  - 1. The transplant center must receive written consent from the savior sibling when:
    - i. Any condition pursuant to 63 O.S. § 2602 is met.
    - ii. They are deemed mature enough to understand.
  - 2. The transplant center is not required to receive written consent from the savior sibling if they are determined, by an LPC, to not be mature enough to understand the procedures.
- I. It shall be unlawful for any parent to proceed with savior sibling conception without adhering to the guidelines as prescribed in subsection C of this section.

All payable fines prescribed in section 4 of this act shall be distributed in accordance with subsection A of this section. Any funds not distributed shall be distributed evenly among the LPC and child welfare specialist involved in the case in which the fine was assessed.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SE-004

Silveira (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to parking privileges; 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 “Senior Parking Accessibility” Act of 2024.

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

- A. “Senior”: individual who is sixty-two (62) years of age or older.
- B. “Valid identification”: International, federal, tribal or state issued identification card issued according to standards proscribed by law including but not limited to internationally issued and authenticated birth certificate, valid, unexpired Oklahoma Driver License or State ID Card.

Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as section 15-133 of Title 47, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, to read as follows:

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to place or park a motor vehicle in any parking space that is designated and posted as a reserved area for the parking of a motor vehicle operated by or transporting a senior who has applied for and been issued a detachable placard indicating seniority status pursuant to the provisions of this law.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly create, promulgate, or possess a counterfeit senior placard.
- C. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly utilize a senior placard in a vehicle which is not operated by or used to transport the person for which the placard was issued.
- D. The Service Oklahoma shall issue, free of charge for the applicant, a detachable placard indicating seniority to any person who submits an

application on a form furnished by Service Oklahoma and certified through the attachment of a copy of a valid identification at the time of submission of the form.

- E. Any such placard shall remain valid until the death of the person to whom the placard was issued. An expired placard shall be returned to Service Oklahoma by a next of kin or handler of the person's estate.
- F. In the event the placard is lost or destroyed, the person to whom a placard was issued may apply for a replacement by following the same procedure established in Subsection "D" of this Section.
- G. Service Oklahoma shall have the power to formulate, adopt and promulgate rules as may be necessary to the implementation and administration of the provisions of this section, including, but not limited to, prescribing the manner in which the placard is to be displayed on a motor vehicle.
- H. Municipalities of the state with authority to regulate the parking of vehicles shall extend duly signaled and marked special parking privileges in public or private parking lots under their jurisdiction to any senior person who displays a valid placard indicating seniority, issued pursuant to the provisions of Subsection "D" of this Section, on a motor vehicle operated by or under the direction and for the use of the senior person.
- I. A parcel of three percent (3%), rounded down, of parking spots in any given public or privately owned commercial parking lots shall be destined to senior privileged parking. Parking lots with fewer than twenty (20) parking spots must provide at least one (1) spot destined to privileged senior parking.

#### Section 4. FUNDING

- A. Service Oklahoma shall allocate an appropriate portion of their budget to the issuing of placards and signaling of parking spots.

#### Section 5. PENALTIES

- A. Any person found to be in violation of the provisions of this law shall be punishable with a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.
- B. A person who creates a counterfeit senior parking placard shall be punishable upon conviction with a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each counterfeit copy created.
- C. A person who has not been issued a senior parking placard, and uses a placard to park in a spot designated for privileged senior parking shall be punishable upon conviction by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for



each offense. A person transporting a senior person with an authorized placard shall be excluded from the provisions of this section.

- D. Administrators of parking lots who fail to comply with the provisions of this bill shall be punishable with a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars (\$300) for each spot not provided under the requirements of Subsection I of Section 3 of this statute.

Section 6. This act shall become effective one hundred and eighty (180) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SE-005

Silveira (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to fertility preservation services for people diagnosed with cancer; 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 “Fertility Preservation” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
- A. “Iatrogenic infertility”: infertility resulted from a medical procedure which took place to treat another problem, including, but not limited to chemotherapy or radiation treatment for cancer.
  - B. “Medical treatment with potential for iatrogenic infertility”: treatments with a potential side effect of impaired fertility, as established by a national association for practitioners of reproductive medicine or clinical oncology.
  - C. “Standard fertility preservation services”: means procedures consistent with established medical practices and professional guidelines published by a national association for practitioners of reproductive medicine or clinical oncology.
  - D. “Health benefit plan”: any plan or arrangement as defined in subsection C of Section 6060.4 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6060.31 of Title 36, unless there is a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. Each health benefit plan, including, but not limited to Oklahoma Employees Insurance Plan and Medicaid, along with private health benefit plans, which is renewed, extended, or modified in the State of Oklahoma, by the request and consent of the insured member, must cover medically necessary costs for standard fertility preservation services when an insured member is diagnosed

with cancer and the standard of care involves medical treatment that may directly or indirectly cause iatrogenic infertility.

- B. Coverage under this section may be subject to deductibles, coinsurance, and copayment provisions. Limitations that are not generally applicable to other hospital, medical, or surgical services covered under the plan may not be imposed on coverage for fertility preservation services.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SE-006

White (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to protecting privacy of online consumers; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for exceptions; providing for penalties; providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Oklahoma Personal Data Protection” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Consumer” An individual who obtains, from a financial institution or other business entity, financial products or services which are to be used primarily for personal, family, or household purposes, and means the legal representative of such an individual.
2. “Consumer personal Data” means information or data that relates to or describes a particular individual or household and or that can be used to identify, locate, profile, or contact a consumer or household. This includes but is not limited to name, address, social security number, passwords, passport information, driver’s license information, credit cards, biometric information (6 O.S. §6-110.3 section D), classification, commercial information, employment information, professional information, educational information, or sensitive personal information. Information that is publicly available by legal means does not apply.
3. “Online Sale” means an exchange of personal data or of other goods and/or services in exchange for monetary funds. This definition shall not be interpreted to include any of the following:
  1. Personal data put up on behalf of the consumer,
  2. Disclosure of personal data to receive goods and/or services from a business entity,
  3. Disclosure of personal data to an affiliate of a business entity third party controller,

4. A disclosure of personal data transferring bankruptcy, a proposed or actual merger, or acquisition in which the business entity now has control over information,
  5. Disclosure of personal data made by a consumer interacting with business entities or
  6. The acquisition of personal data made available to the public by an individual via mass media channel(s).
4. "Business Entity" 18 O.S. §18-1140.

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

- A. Any business entity which engages in an online sale and which is a sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, association, or other legal entity that is organized or operated for the profit or financial benefit of its shareholders or other owners, which collects consumers' personal information, or on the behalf of which such information is collected and that alone, or jointly with others, which determines the purposes and means of processing of consumers' personal information, and which does business in the State of Oklahoma shall be bound by the provisions of section 3, 4, 5, and 6 of this law provided that:
  1. The business had a gross revenue of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) in the preceding calendar year,
  2. The business either alone or in combination with other business entities, annually buys, sells, and shares (for commercial purposes) personal information of at least twenty-five thousand (25,000) consumers and
  3. Derives at least forty percent (40%) of the revenue annually by sharing people's personal data.
- B. All such business entities shall provide on their website (if the business has a website) a clear and concise way for consumers on the website to access terms and policies in advance of entering into an agreement with the company. Such terms and policies shall include, at a minimum, the following information:
  1. a clear description of how the business will use and track consumer data and
  2. what information will be stored by the business.
- C. If any such business entity shall makes any changes to such policies and procedures after an account, transaction, or any sort of sign up has been made, these changes should also be presented in a manner which is clear and concise for the user to adjust to these new policy changes in which standards

for the font size, font style, computer processing format (such as Microsoft word), and other such formatting options shall be determined by the Oklahoma Data Protection Agency. The policies should be located in the terms of conditions but must have a specific section regarding personal data policies and a way to easily reach it again.

- D. Consumers who enter into an agreement or an online sale with any such business entity shall further be given the option to delete, correct, and/or opt out of selling or providing their personal data with a company without consent and without discrimination towards those who exercise their rights of requesting reports of where their information went.
- E. All such business entities as described in subsection A shall ensure that consumers are able to request reports to see which personal data a business held on to or gave/sold to a business entity, and the business must send a detailed report regarding what personal data their business has information on (besides information listed in section 4) and contact information to every business entity they sent any information to. Businesses must send the report in an easily readable format and shall provide options to send mail, email, or fax. The font, font size, word processing format, and any other altering provisions will be decided by the Oklahoma Data Protection Agency. This report must be delivered within fifty (50) days after the request was made. If the data has been too difficult to gather within this amount of time, the business can ask for an extension only in the first thirty (30) days for a potential addition of one (1) to thirty (30) days. This extension would be approved by the Oklahoma Data Protection Agency.
  - 1. Consumers have a right to request reports from a company at the minimum of twice in twelve (12) months. If they request a third report from the same company, they can be rejected by that specific company.
  - 2. No business shall engage in discriminatory conduct such that the prices or quality of the products being offered by the business are substantially different for people who exercised their right to report information than for those who did not. This can be reported to the Oklahoma Data Protection Agency and can be liable for lawsuits.
- F. Any minor under the age of eighteen (18) shall not request reports without parental consent. Businesses must comply with the guidelines of any superseding provision of law dealing with minors using the internet.
- G. The obligations stated in this bill must comply and do not restrict rights under local, state, federal laws, and criminal investigations.
- H. The Attorney General shall oversee the Oklahoma Personal Data Protection Act and will be responsible for giving the proper penalties (unless such action is taken to court and then such penalty will be given by a judge) and

regulating the enforcement of this act under a new agency. There shall be an agency labeled “Oklahoma Data Protection Agency” which consists of 5 members governing it, appointed by the attorney general and upholds the rules and regulations regarding data protection. This agency will be funded by the attorney general agency’s funds.

#### Section 4. EXCEPTIONS

- A. Businesses do not have to allow consumers to delete and/or alter personal data that...
1. Was required to fulfill obligations during a transaction that is complete,
  2. To ensure the functions of the website work properly,
  3. That adheres to ethics and privacy laws when researched or peer researched with the consent of the volunteer,
  4. To detect potential security threats to the business and suspect any illegal activity in order to prosecute,
  5. And to deal with legal concerns that the business can deny a request by consumers provided they give a specific reason as to why the request was denied.

#### Section 5. PENALTIES

- A. Businesses who use data in a way that was not listed in the company’s terms and conditions and do not delete, alter, allow, or do not abide by any of the rules regarding section 3 subsection B shall be...
1. First Offense: The business will be fined one thousand (\$1,000) to seven thousand five hundred (\$7,500).
  2. Each offense they commit will raise the minimum and the maximum by one thousand (\$1,000) dollars.
  3. If the same business has committed this offense more than ten (10) times, the business will be liable for up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) shall it be determined by a judge.
    - i. If information is not corrected after fifteen (15) days, the consumer is now liable to sue the company. The company will still be obligated to get the report to the consumer as fast as they can.
- B. If the business is late on reports requested by the consumer the business will be fined five hundred (\$500) dollars for each day they are late unless they have an extension approved by the attorney general.

Section 6. This act shall become effective one hundred eighty (180) days after passage and approval.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SE-007

White (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to releasing burn ban alerts; providing for 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 “Burn Ban Alerts” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Burn ban” is a legal restriction on outdoor burning.
2. “Government issued burn ban” is a statewide burn ban instituted by the Oklahoma Forestry Services and signed by the governor.
3. “County burn ban” is a burn ban issued by the County Commissioners to specific counties within the state of Oklahoma.
4. “Electronic Communication Device” O.S. §47-11-901C

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

- A. If a government-issued burn ban is instated, the Oklahoma Forestry Services shall notify the public via broadcasts by radio, television, and the government alert section on electronic communication devices about changes in status of burn bans.
- B. If the county commissioners release a county-wide burn ban, then they shall notify the public via broadcasts by radio, television, and the government alert section on electronic communication devices about changes in status specific to the county.
- C. People who do not want to be notified of the beginning or end of burn bans via electronic communication device notifications can opt-out on their electronic communication device.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. County commissioners who do not inform the people via television, radio broadcast, and text alerts shall be fined three hundred fifty (\$350) each day they neglect to broadcast a change in burn ban status.
- B. If the Oklahoma Forestry Services do not inform people via television, radio broadcast, and text alerts, they shall be fined five hundred dollars (\$500) each day they neglect to broadcast a change in burn ban status.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. SWOSU-001

Dengler (SWOSU)  
Currier (SWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to banning Coca-Cola; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; and providing effective dates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “No Cocaine No Coke” Act of 2024.

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

1. Coca-Cola: a carbonated soft drink created by the coca-cola company that is known for historically adding cocaine into their beverage.
2. Coke: slang word for Coca-Cola.

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

1. It shall be illegal for individuals to purchase or drink Coke.
2. It shall be illegal for businesses to sell Coke in their stores.
3. It shall be illegal for individuals to sell, trade, or gift Coke.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual found in violation of Section 3 by local law enforcement shall face a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50).

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OU-001

Baggett (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to voter registration; 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 “Along For The Ride” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Voter registration form” refers to an Oklahoma voter registration form's physical copy or approved electronic alternative.
2. “Eligible” refers to the resident’s ability to vote, including but not limited to parole status, previous status of incarceration, age, and residency.

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

1. All eligible Oklahoma residents renewing their driver’s license at eighteen (18) years of age will automatically receive a voter registration form.
2. The registration form is not required, and no penalties for a lack of submission will exist.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Officials who fail to provide a voter registration form to all eligible voters renewing their license will be penalized.
2. The severity of this will be left to the discretion of the Department of Public Safety.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OU-002

Bell (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to health and education; 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 “Toxic Shock Education” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Toxic Shock Syndrome” refers to a rare, life-threatening complication of certain bacterial infections.

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

1. All intermediate public school students will be taught about the risks, dangers, and impacts of Toxic Shock Syndrome (TSS). This may be done during any sexual health, puberty, or sex-ed curriculum.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any public school found in violation of this law may be subject to a warning or a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OU-003

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 2024.

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 in a manner inconsistent with a simple exhale.
2. “Smoking device” refers to any mechanism one may use to inhale and exhale vapor for recreational purposes.

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

A person found in violation of this law is subject to:

- a. A fine between fifty dollars (\$50) and two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).
- b. Repeat offenses of three (3) or more can result in up to fifteen (15) days in jail.

Section 5. 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OU-004

Floyd (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to building materials; 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 “Made in America” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Manufactured or produced in the United States” means a product that has all manufacturing processes occurring in the United States. All components of the product must be of United States origin. A component is considered a product of United States origin if all of its manufacturing processes occur in the United States, regardless of the origin of its subcomponents.
2. “Public building or public work” means any structure, building, highway, waterway, street, bridge, transit system, airport, or other betterment, work, or improvement, whether of a permanent or temporary nature and whether for governmental or proprietary use. The term includes but is not limited to any railway, street railway, subway, elevated and passenger and rail rolling stock, self-propelled cars, gallery cars, locomotives, passenger buses, wires, poles, and equipment for electrification of a transit system, rails, tracks, roadbeds, guideways, elevated structures, buildings, schools, hospitals, stations, terminals, docks, shelters, and repairs to any such public building or public work.

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

- A. Any agency or entity of this state, or any person making purchases on behalf of such agency or entity, shall require any contract for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement, or maintenance of a public



building or public work with an estimated contract price exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00), to state that all materials to be used in the completion of such contract shall be manufactured or produced in the United States. All solicitation documents for such contracts shall clearly state such requirements. Any bid or proposal that does not affirmatively attest that the bidder read and understood such requirement shall not be considered by the agency or entity, or person making purchases on behalf of such agency or entity.

- B. An agency or entity of this state may submit a written appeal to the State Purchasing Director to exempt a contract from the requirements of subsection A of this section.
- a. The appeal shall include information demonstrating that:
    - i. Such requirements are inconsistent with the public interest;
    - ii. A particular material to be used in the completion of the contract is not produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and with satisfactory quality; or
    - iii. Using materials produced or manufactured in the United States shall increase the cost of construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement, or maintenance of a public building or public work by more than twenty-five percent (25%).
  - b. The State Purchasing Director shall give public notice of the appeal upon its receipt in a manner that the State Purchasing Director determines shall give adequate notice to the public and to individuals, firms, or corporations that intend to submit or have submitted bids or proposals for such contracts for public buildings or public works. The State Purchasing Director shall allow seven (7) calendar days for public comment on the appeal. If after the public comment period, the State Purchasing Director authorizes the exemption of a contract from the requirements of subsection A of this section, he or she shall provide public notice of the authorization in the same method used to provide public notice of the appeal.
- C. A state agency or entity shall notify the State Purchasing Director if it suspects an individual, firm, or corporation is intentionally violating the requirements of subsection A of this section. If the State Purchasing Director determines after a review of the contract and the actions of the individual, firm, or corporation that an intentional violation has taken place, the individual, firm, or corporation shall be ineligible to, and shall not, bid on a state contract for five (5) years. Such individual, firm, or corporation shall

have the right to appeal the decision of the State Purchasing Director to a court of competent jurisdiction.

- D. The provisions of this section shall not apply if a reciprocal trade agreement or treaty has been negotiated by this state or by the United States on behalf of or including this state with a foreign nation or government for nondiscriminatory governmental procurement practices or policies with such foreign nation or government.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any contractor found to be in violation of the purchasing requirements outlined in Section 3 Subsection A, specifically using foreign-made goods or materials for projects without proper approval as specified in Section 3 Subsection B, shall be subject to a penalty. The penalty shall amount to twenty-five percent (25%) of the total contract price of the project, including both labor and materials. The penalty shall be enforced by the State Purchasing Director.
  - a. Upon determination of a violation, the State Purchasing Director shall notify the contractor in writing of the penalty assessment and provide an opportunity for the contractor to appeal or contest the findings within a specified timeframe not exceeding sixty (60) days. Failure to pay the penalty within the designated time frame shall result in further legal action, including but not limited to suspension of current contracts, disqualification from future bidding opportunities, and potential legal proceedings to recover the penalty amount.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OU-005

Marron (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public 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 “Right to Read” Act of 2024.

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

1. Physical/Digital Literature - Physical pieces of literature such as books, pamphlets, and magazines and digital transcripts of such literature provided through internet-based or digitally archived educational infrastructure
2. Obscenity - Content or speech devoid of serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value
3. Pornographic Content - Depictions of sexual acts considered to be obscene
4. Hyperviolent Content - Depictions of extreme violent acts considered to be obscene

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

1. No state agency or public school district, or official representing such bodies, shall forcibly remove or ban any piece of physical/digital literature from public school curriculums and/or libraries based on personal disagreements with content within the literature.
2. Public school boards within the state of Oklahoma will accept appeals from parents of students within the respective school districts to ban literature from public school libraries if said literature contains obscenity such as pornographic or hyperviolent content.

- a. All school board members of a given district must be in unanimous agreement that the literature contains obscenity congruent to the definition within this bill for the ban to be carried out.
- b. All banned literature shall be reevaluated after a period of five (5) years has passed since the initial banning.
- c. The State Department of Education shall create forms necessary for literature removal appeals.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any Oklahoma public official found to ban literature from public school libraries without approval from the school board of their district shall have their accreditation and/or position reviewed by the Oklahoma Board of Education and the literature shall be restored to its position within the library.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. OU-006

Resendiz (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to police training; 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 Mental Health Crisis Response and Police Training” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Mental Health Crisis” refers to a state in which an individual's mental health condition presents an immediate risk of harm to themselves or others, or a situation where the individual is unable to care for themselves due to the severity of their mental health condition.
2. “De-escalation Techniques” refers to the strategies and methods employed by law enforcement officers to reduce tension, minimize the use of force, and promote a safe resolution during encounters with individuals in crisis.
3. “Cultural Competency” refers to the ability of law enforcement officers to understand, respect, and effectively engage with individuals from diverse cultural backgrounds, including consideration of language, customs, and beliefs.

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

1. Alongside mental health professionals, the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) shall establish a mental health crisis intervention training program for law enforcement agencies at the state and local levels.
  - a. CLEET shall have until January 1, 2025, to create said training program.
2. The program shall include, but not be limited to the following components:

- a. recognizing signs of mental illness and crisis;
  - b. de-escalation techniques and communication strategies;
  - c. understanding mental health laws and community resources; and
  - d. cultural competency and sensitivity training.
3. The training requirements will include law enforcement agencies to ensure that all officers receive the training within thirty (30) days of employment and undergo periodic refresher courses every five (5) years.
4. CLEET will hold accountability for non-compliant agencies and conduct internal reviews to achieve compliance within the timeframe.
  - a. CLEET shall disclose instances of non-compliance to the public through official reports to allow for transparency and accountability.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. There shall be a five percent (5%) reduction in funding for law enforcement agencies that fail to meet training standards.
  - a. If there is further failure to abide by the training standards, a reduction of fifteen percent (15%) of funding shall occur.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. TU-001

Plane (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to animal welfare; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. §1686 (A); amending 21 O.S. § 1688; amending 21 O.S. §1689; amending 21 O.S. § 1691; amending 21 O.S. § 1692; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Protect Animal Welfare (PAW)” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. §1686 (A) is amended to read as follows:

Any person owning or having charge or custody of a maimed, diseased, disabled, or infirm animal who abandons the animal or who allows the animal to lie in a public street, road, or public place one (1) hour after the person receives notice by a duly constituted authority that the animal is disabled or dead, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a ~~misdemeanor~~ felony.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. §1688 is amended to read as follows:

Any person who carries or causes to be carried in or upon any vessel or vehicle, or otherwise, any animal in a cruel or inhuman manner, or so as to produce torture is guilty of a ~~misdemeanor~~ felony.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. §1689 is amended to read as follows:

Any person who unjustifiably administers any poisonous or noxious drug or substance to any animal, or unjustifiably exposes any such drug or substance with intent that the same shall be taken by an animal, whether such animal be the property of himself or another, is guilty of a ~~misdemeanor~~ felony.

Section 5. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. §1691 is amended to read as follows:

Any person who deposits any live dog, cat, or other domestic animal along any private or public roadway, or in any other private or public place with the intention of abandoning the domestic animal upon conviction, shall be guilty of a ~~misdemeanor~~ felony.

Section 6. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. §1692 is amended to read as follows:

Any person found guilty of violating any of the provisions of Sections 1686, 1688, 1689 and 1691 of this title shall be punished by ~~a fine in an amount not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one (1) year, or by both said fine and imprisonment~~ imprisonment in the State Penitentiary not exceeding five (5) years, or in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 7. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Bill No. TU-002

Plane (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to therapy; 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 “Protect LGBTQ Youth” Act of 2024.

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

1. "Conversion therapy" shall be defined as any practice or treatment that seeks 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 attractions or feelings toward individuals of the same gender. "Conversion therapy" does not include counseling that provides acceptance, support, and understanding of a person or facilitates a person'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 such counseling does not seek to change an individual's sexual orientation or gender identity.
2. "Gender identity" shall be defined as a person's self-perception, or perception of that person by another, of the person's identity as a male or female based upon the person's appearance, behavior or physical characteristics that are in accord with or opposed to the person's physical anatomy, chromosomal sex or sex at birth.
3. "Sexual orientation" shall be defined as heterosexuality, homosexuality or bisexuality, whether actual or perceived.

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

1. No health care provider, psychotherapist, or counselor may provide conversion therapy treatment to any person under the age of eighteen (18) with or without the consent of the person or their legal guardians.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any conversion therapy practiced by a licensed professional on a patient under the age of eighteen (18) shall be considered unprofessional conduct and shall subject them to discipline by the department, which discipline may include suspension and revocation of the professional's license.

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

# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Joint Resolution No. OBU-101

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 age limits for state congressmen and senators.

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-XVII

Members of the Senate shall be at least twenty-five years of age, and shall not exceed seventy-five years of age, and members of the House of Representatives twenty-one years of age and not exceed seventy years of age at the time of their election. They shall be qualified electors in their respective counties or districts and shall reside in their respective counties or districts during their term of office.

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. \_\_\_\_\_ O.I.L. 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 17. This provides for the establishment of age limits for state congressmen and senators.

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 3 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General

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2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Joint Resolution No. OSU-101

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Joint Resolution No. SE-101

Boner (SE)  
Gilmore (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to providing Medicaid coverage to rural 100% Disabled Veterans; 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 “Healthcare for Heroes” Act of 2024.

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

- A. Veteran refers to a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable as defined in 38 U.S.C. § 101(2).
- B. Rural Veteran refers to any Veteran whose primary residence is in Oklahoma, but not within twenty (20) miles of a Veteran's Administration (VA) hospital, clinic, or Community Based Out-patient Clinic (CBOC) within the State of Oklahoma.
- C. One hundred percent (100%) Disabled refers to any veteran who has been rated one hundred percent (100%) Disabled (unemployable) or one hundred percent (100%) Permanent and Total (P&T) in accordance with 38 CFR 4.28.

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

- 1. The Oklahoma Healthcare Authority shall add all one hundred percent (100%) Disabled Rural Veterans, regardless of income, to the Medicaid eligibility list. The Oklahoma Healthcare Authority shall continue to otherwise determine eligibility per 63 O.S. § 3277.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Joint Resolution No. OU-101

Coats of the Senate (OU)  
Garcia of the House (OU)

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 3 Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; providing for the reduction of the voting age to 16 years; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND 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 3 Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Qualifications of Electors:

“Subject to such exceptions as the Legislature may prescribe, all citizens of the United States over the age of ~~eighteen (18) year~~ sixteen (16) years, who are bona fide residents of this state, are qualified electors of this state.”

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:

VOTING AGE REDUCTION RESOLUTION

Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Article 3 and Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma. It would reduce the age required to vote in Oklahoma State elections from eighteen (18) years of age to sixteen (16) years.

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 CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. SE-201

Robison (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution declaring Oklahoma's support for the expansion of domestic nuclear energy and advanced nuclear technology as a viable source of power.

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma recognizes the urgent need to address climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions;

WHEREAS, fossil fuel-based energy sources are major contributions to air pollution;

WHEREAS, nuclear energy has generated one-fifth of the electricity used in the United States since 1990;

WHEREAS, the International Energy Agency determined that nuclear power forms the cornerstone of zero-carbon electricity generation;

WHEREAS, the generation of electricity from nuclear energy is up to two (2) times more reliable than the generation of electricity from natural gas and coal, and up to three and a half (3.5) times more reliable than the generation of electricity from wind and solar;

WHEREAS, nuclear reactors produce substantially more energy relative to their land footprint than solar and wind projects, which require over thirty (30) times and one hundred (100) times, respectively, the land area for the same generating capacity;

WHEREAS, Four hundred and eighty-two million (482,000,000) metric tons of carbon emissions were avoided by using nuclear energy in 2021;

WHEREAS, in 2019, four hundred and seventy-six million (476,000,000) metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions were not released into the atmosphere due to the utilization of nuclear energy in the United States, which is equivalent to removing one hundred million (100,000,000) cars off the road;

WHEREAS, electricity demand throughout the United States is predicted to increase by approximately thirty-four percent (34%) by 2050;

WHEREAS, nuclear energy facilities can repurpose retired fossil fuel power plants by using existing infrastructure and transitioning fossil fuel power plant workers that already understand the basics of operating the nuclear energy facility;

WHEREAS, the number of jobs in the nuclear energy sector of the country peaked at over five million (5,000,000) in June 2023;

WHEREAS, building a conventional nuclear reactor employs up to seven thousand (7,000) workers at peak construction;

WHEREAS, a uranium pellet the size of a pencil eraser contains the same amount of energy as seventeen thousand (17,000) cubic feet of natural gas, one thousand, seven hundred and eighty (1,780 pounds of coal), or one hundred and forty-nine (149) gallons of oil;

WHEREAS, five (5) uranium pellets generate enough electricity to power the average household annually, which compares to the same amount of electricity produced by five (5) tons of coal;

WHEREAS, a typical one thousand (1,000)-megawatt nuclear power plant in the United States requires approximately one square mile of land to operate, however, an advanced nuclear reactor requires about three (3) times less land area compared to a conventional nuclear power plant, depending on the reactor type and the specific characteristics of the community;

WHEREAS, U.S. nuclear reactor facilities exceeded federal regulatory safety standards by one hundred percent (100%);

WHEREAS, a granite countertop gives off more radiation than living next to a nuclear power plant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

THAT the State of Oklahoma expresses its strong commitment to transitioning away from fossil fuel-based energy and towards an increased reliance on nuclear energy for a more sustainable and reliable energy future;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the State of Oklahoma encourages collaboration with experts, industry leaders, and research institutions to advance nuclear energy technology and to develop a robust nuclear energy infrastructure within our great state.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. SE-202

Boner, D. (SE)  
Robison (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution condemning the atrocities of the terrorist organization Hamas and reaffirming Oklahoman and American support for the State of Israel in their fight to eradicate Hamas.

WHEREAS, Hamas was founded with the stated goal of destroying the State of Israel and has been designated by the United States as a Foreign Terrorist Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Hamas terrorist organization launched a brutal, highly organized, and unprecedented attack upon Israel and its citizens in the early morning hours of October 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, in its attack, Hamas has killed hundreds of innocent civilians and taken hundreds of Israeli children, women, elderly, and infirm civilians hostage; and

WHEREAS, in its attack, Hamas has fired thousands of rockets against Israeli population centers in an attempt to kill untold numbers of innocent civilians; and

WHEREAS, the level of logistical sophistication demonstrated in this Hamas terrorism operation indicates its receipt of support and funding from foreign state sponsors of terror, namely Iran; and

WHEREAS, the timing of this Hamas terrorism operation to coincide with the observance of the Jewish Sabbath and celebration of significant Jewish holidays demonstrates the intent to maximize civilian casualties; and

WHEREAS, Hamas continues to brazenly locate elements of its terrorist infrastructure in civilian population centers using civilians as human shields.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature reaffirms our support and unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel.

THAT the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature expresses our support for Israel's right to pursue without interference or condemnation the elimination of Hamas and any other affiliated groups until Hamas and all such groups are permanently neutralized, and public safety is assured.

THAT the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature conveys our most heartfelt condolences to all Israeli victims as well as their families and communities.

THAT the State of Oklahoma calls upon our law enforcement agencies to remain vigilant in protecting Israeli Americans, Jewish Americans, and all supporters of Israel from acts of crime and unlawful discrimination that tend to manifest at such times.

THAT the State of Oklahoma encourages all other American states to likewise condemn Hamas as well as any official body that refuses to recognize Israel's right to act decisively in self-defense to protect its citizens.

THAT the State of Oklahoma calls upon the United States to provide all assistance as may be required to support Israel in its defense against Hamas and all other terrorist organizations.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. SE-203

Boner, D. (SE)  
Robison (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution declaring Oklahoma's support for Israel and condemnation of Hamas' illegal and immoral incursion upon the Israeli state.

WHEREAS, the United States has maintained an historic alliance with Israel dating back to 1948;

WHEREAS, the United States was the first to recognize Israel as a sovereign nation and has fostered a strong relationship;

WHEREAS, the rise in anti-Semitic acts within the United States is a cause for deep concern and condemnation;

WHEREAS, Americans serving in the U.S. Armed Forces have been deployed to assist the sovereign nation of Israel in its inherent right to defend itself;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

THAT the State of Oklahoma reaffirms its steadfast commitment to supporting the sovereign nation of Israel, we acknowledge and endorse Israel's inherent right to defend itself and protect its citizens from threats posed by the terrorist organization known as Hamas, and we vehemently denounce all forms of anti-Semitism and condemn any acts of violence against the sovereign nation of Israel.



# SENATE SIMPLE RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

Senate Internal Resolution No. OU-301

Floyd (OU)  
Marron (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Simple Resolution proposing changes to the Senate Standing Rules of Order; amending Rule Appendix A Section 5 of the Senate Standing Rules; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, A simple resolution is necessary to propose changes to the Senate Standing Rules of Order; and,

WHEREAS, It is acknowledged that traditional dress codes often adhere to gendered norms, and it is recognized that not all individuals identify within the confines of these norms; and,

WHEREAS, The provisions of this proposed change are to make the Senate Standing Rules more applicable to all people; and,

WHEREAS, This suggestion should be codified into the Senate Standing Rules of Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

THAT, Rule Appendix A Section 5 of the Senate Standing Rules of Order be amended as follows:

**Section Five: DRESS CODE**

A. With the intent of upholding the ~~status~~ respect of the Senate, the following dress code shall apply:

1. Appropriate attire shall include professional dresses, skirts, pantsuits, professional shirts, ~~ties~~, professional shoes, dress pants, and jackets.
  - a. Professional shirts, as referenced herein, may consist of, but are not confined to, blouses, turtle necks, button-up shirts, collared shirts, vests, and sweaters.
  - i. Button-up shirts worn without a tie shall adhere to the standard of leaving only the top button unfastened.

- ~~2. Ties must be accompanied by a jacket when in chambers.~~
- ~~3.~~2. Blue jeans or denim material shall not be acceptable.
- ~~4.~~3. Tennis shoes, sandals, or open-toed shoes shall not be acceptable.
- ~~5.~~4. Questionable attire shall be reviewed by the Chair of the Standards and Ethics Committee, whose decision shall be final.
- ~~6.~~5. The Standards and Ethics Committee shall promulgate reasonable exceptions to this section for any member whom, in good faith, dresses according to formal wear based in their cultural or religious customs.
6. All senators are allowed to wear any of the aforementioned items of clothing, regardless of gender identity, provided it remains within the bounds of professional dress.

THAT,

It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the 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.

# HOUSE LEGISLATION

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ECU-501

Rosenberg (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to waste management; 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 “Compost Collection” Act of 2024.

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

1. Composting- a controlled, aerobic (oxygen-required) process that converts organic materials into a nutrient-rich, biologically-stable soil amendment or mulch through natural decomposition.
2. Compostable materials- refers to a form of biodegradability that transforms materials into organic waste that enriches the soil, like food scraps, fallen leaves, and grass clippings.

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

1. Any Oklahoma municipality, with a recycling program/facility currently established, shall create a system for collecting compostable materials to be distributed to a certified composting facility in Oklahoma.
  - A. There shall be drop-off or collection programs that meet relative standards and certifications as current recycling programs do in these municipalities.
  - B. Compostable materials (i.e. yard clippings, food waste, etc.) shall be collected in a separate reciprocal from the trash or recycling systems currently in place.
2. The State Department of Health shall administer this act.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any applicable Oklahoma municipality offending this act shall be punishable by a fine of one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars to be paid to the State Department of Health.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ECU-502

Rosenberg (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to voting 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 “Non-English Speaking Voter Accessibility (NESVA)” Act of 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose 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.

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

1. All Oklahoma municipalities shall have voting ballots available to registered voters who are non-English speaking in their specific language; the population of non-English speakers in the city should be over two (2) percent to qualify for the production of the ballot.
  - A. This number shall be based on results gathered from the United States Census Bureau.
  - B. Ballots shall be conducted through both the mail-in and in-person voting process with the same requirements as all other Oklahoma voting ballots.
  - C. Non-English ballots must be translated into a specific language by a native speaker or expert in that language.
2. The Oklahoma State Elections Board will oversee the actions discussed in this bill.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any offending Oklahoma municipality shall be punishable by a fine of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars per violation to be paid to the Oklahoma Election Board.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ECU-503

Rosenberg (ECU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to 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 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purpose 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 section of law to be codified in 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.
  - B. Oklahoma Academic Standards- Social Studies shall be revised to include in-depth teachings of Indigenous Peoples and their history.
  - C. 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. NSU-501

Hensley (NSU),  
Hensley (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to term limits; 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 “No For Real Get Out of Here” Act of 2024

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

- A. No member of the legislature or statewide elected officer shall personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the government body or agency of which the individual was an officer or member for ten (10) years following the end of their term limit. This excludes representing others before judicial tribunals.
- B. Officers who vacate their office before their term limit concludes may personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the government body or agency of which the individual was an officer or member after five (5) years following their vacation of office. This excludes representing others before judicial tribunals.

Section 3. PENALTIES

- A. Any individual found in violation of any part of this act shall pay, upon first offense, a fine of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).
- B. For every subsequent offense, the individual shall pay an additional twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).
- C. After three offenses, the individual shall pay a fine of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).
- D. All funds from these penalties shall be directed to the Oklahoma Department of Education.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. NSU-502

Wier (NSU)

AS INTRODUCED

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Restricted Appointments” Act of 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

1. Appointed office – positions in local, county, or state government given to a person without appearing on a ballot.
2. Elected office – positions in local, county, or state government elected to a person after filing to appear on a ballot.

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

1. No persons shall be appointed to any positions in the state of Oklahoma unless meeting all of the requirements of eligibility.
2. Requirements for Eligibility
  - A. To be eligible for appointment to any position in government an appointee must meet the requirements of elected office as stated in the State of Oklahoma Constitution § Article 3 section 1. Qualifications of electors
    - i. Must be a citizen of the county, city, or state in which the appointment is made.
  - B. Must have lived in the county, city, or state for at least 6 months prior to being considered for appointments.
3. Requirements regarding state-level appointments
  - A. To be appointed to a state-level committee, a person must meet all requirements of eligibility AND
  - B. Must be approved by a vote of three-fourths (3/4ths) of the House and the Senate.

- i. Until voted upon, an appointee may serve as interim until deemed unfit.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a person is appointed and at any point no longer meets all of the requirements of the position to which they are appointed, they will be removed effective immediately.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. NSU-503

Wier (NSU),  
Hensley (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public health and safety; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 63 O.S. § 1-317; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Respect in Death” Act of 2024.

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

1. “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;
2. “Sex” shall refer to sex assigned at birth and sex-based stereotypes.

Section 3 AMENDATORY 21 O.S. §112 is amended to read as follows:

- A. A death certificate for each death which occurs in this state shall be filed with the State Department of Health, within three (3) days after such death.
- B. The funeral director shall personally sign the death certificate and shall be responsible for filing the death certificate. If the funeral director is not available, the person acting as such who first assumes custody of a dead body in accordance with Section 1158 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall personally sign and file the death certificate. The personal data shall be obtained from the next of kin or the best-qualified person or source available. The certificate shall be completed as to personal data and delivered to the attending physician or the medical examiner responsible for completing the medical certification portion of the certificate of death within twenty-four (24) hours after the death. No later than July 1, 2012, the personal data, and no later than July 1, 2017, the medical certificate portion, shall be entered into the prescribed electronic system provided by the State Registrar of Vital Statistics and the information submitted to the State Registrar of Vital

Statistics. The resultant certificate produced by the electronic system shall be provided to the physician or medical examiner for medical certification within twenty-four (24) hours after the death.

- C. The medical certification shall be completed and signed within forty-eight (48) hours after death by the physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse in charge of the patient's care for the illness or condition which resulted in death, except when inquiry as to the cause of death is required by Section 938 of this title. No later than July 1, 2017, the medical certification portion of certificate data shall be entered into the prescribed electronic system provided by the State Registrar of Vital Statistics and the information submitted to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics.
- D. The person completing the certificate shall record the decedent's sex to reflect the decedent's gender identity. The decedent's gender identity shall be reported by the funeral director or person acting as such, unless the person completing the certificate is presented with a birth certificate, a driver's license, a social security record, a court order approving a name or gender change, a passport, an advanced health care directive, or proof of clinical treatment for gender transition, in which case the person completing the certificate shall record the decedent's sex as that which corresponds to the decedent's gender identity as indicated in that document. If none of these documents are presented and the funeral director or person acting as such with the right to control the disposition of the remains are in disagreement with the gender identity reported by the informant, the gender identity of the decedent recorded on the death certificate shall be as reported by that person or majority of persons.
- E. In the event that the physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse in charge of the patient's care for the illness or condition which resulted in death is not in attendance at the time of death, the medical certification shall be completed and signed within forty-eight (48) hours after death by the physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse in attendance at the time of death, except:
1. When the patient is under hospice care at the time of death, the medical certification may be signed by the hospice's medical director; and
  2. When inquiry as to the cause of death is required by Section 938 of this title.

Provided that such certification, if signed by other than the attending physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse, shall note on the face the name of the attending physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse and that the information shown is only as reported.



- F. A certifier completing cause of death on a certificate of death who knows that a lethal drug, overdose or other means of assisting suicide within the meaning of Sections 3141.2 through 3141.4 of this title caused or contributed to the death shall list that means among the chain of events under cause of death or list it in the box that describes how the injury occurred. If such means is in the chain of events under cause of death or in the box that describes how the injury occurred, the certifier shall indicate “suicide” as the manner of death.
- G. The authority of a physician assistant to carry out the functions described in this section shall be governed by the practice agreement as provided by Section 519.6 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. NSU-504

Wier (NSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to voting; 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 “Voter Participation Act 2024”

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 not allow all of their employees four hours of paid leave on election day.

Section 4. PENALTIES

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

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. NWOSU-501

Crites (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to higher education; providing for short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification: providing for an effective date;

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “First-Gen Day” Act of 2024.

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

1. “First-Gen Day” Refers to the nationally celebrated holiday for first-generation and low-income college students.
2. “First-generation” Refers to students whose parents or legal guardians do not have a four-year college degree.
3. “Low-income college students” Refers to those who come from families with annual incomes in the lowest twenty percent (20%) nationally (around forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)), or below two hundred percent (200%) of the federal poverty line.
4. “TRIO” Refers to the three original programs that were funded under Title IV of the Higher Education Act, Upward Bound, Educational Talent Search, and Special Services (later named Student Support Services).

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

1. November 8th of every year shall be recognized as “First-Gen Day”.
2. College classes will not be required on “First-Gen Day”.
  - a. Attendance can not be required of students on “First-Gen Day”.
  - b. No tests, labs, exams, or quizzes can be held on “First-Gen Day”.
  - c. No assignment worth five percent (5%) or more of the course can be due on “First-Gen Day”.
  - d. College students cannot have their grade affected by missing class on “First-Gen Day”.

3. Colleges with TRIO programs, or alternative programs that aid first-generation and low-income college students, must distribute factual information regarding those programs to their students via the most effective way possible the day before or after “First-Gen Day”.
4. The Oklahoma Department of Education must promote higher education services within reason for first-generation and low-income college students on “First-Gen Day” including, but not limited to, TRIO.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. NWOSU-502

Donaldson (NWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the guarantee of paid parental leave; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for penalties; 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 “Oklahoma Parental Support Leave” Act of 2024.

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

1. Parent -
  - a. Any person who has concluded a pregnancy;
  - b. Any person who assumes legal guardianship of a minor.
2. Employee -
  - a. Any person employed for wages or salary.
3. Employer -
  - a. Any person or entity which pays others’ wages or salary to perform labor.
4. Recovery -
  - a. A return to a healthy state physically, mentally, and emotionally as determined by a doctor and/or mental health professional;
  - b. A period of time needed to heal ones’ abdomen, vagina, cervix and uterus following vaginal birth;
  - c. A period of time needed to heal the incision, typically a horizontal cut made in one's lower abdomen, following a Cesarean birth;
  - d. A period of time needed for one to return to a healthy level of cognitive functioning after the stressful event of acquiring guardianship of a child.
5. Bonding -
  - a. The establishment of a relationship or link with ones’ child;

- b. The intense attachment that develops between parents and their child.
- 6. Department of Human Services -
  - a. A state agency which serves under the Oklahoma Secretary of Health and Human Services that is responsible for providing public assistance.
- 7. Small Business -
  - a. Any business with a minimum of one (1) employee to a maximum of twenty (20) employees.

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

- 1. Any person employed in the state of Oklahoma shall be granted by their employer a minimum of 6 work weeks of paid parental leave following the birth, adoption, or otherwise assumption of guardianship of a minor to account for a recovery and bonding period. During the 6 week paid leave, the employer shall be required to pay the employee their individual average weekly wage for a period of 6 weeks. The payments to the employee may be made weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, or bi-monthly, according to the employee's current pay schedule.
- 2. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall implement a one percent (1%) tax on all tobacco and alcohol products for a period of five (5) years.
  - a. The revenue produced from this tax shall be directed into the Oklahoma Parental Support Fund.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- 1. Should an employer not comply with the guidelines of the Better Family Foundation Leave, a judge may order the employer to reinstate the employee, pay any lost wages to the employee, pay the employee's attorney's fees, and pay up to five hundred dollars (\$500) in penalties to the Oklahoma Department of Labor.

Section 5. FINANCES

- 1. The Department of Human Services will oversee the creation of the Oklahoma Parental Support Fund which will provide assistance to approved small businesses.

2. The Better Family Foundation Leave is an insurance that may be funded by employees through payroll deductions.
  - a. The payroll deduction equals 0.4% of an employee's gross wages each pay period. The maximum annual contribution by a single employee is three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00);
  - b. The Better Family Foundation Leave contributions are deducted from employees' after-tax wages.
  - c. Small businesses may apply to receive funding from the Oklahoma Parental Support Fund to pay for their parental leave in addition to the zero point four percent (0.4%) payroll deduction
3. An employer may choose to pay for the Better Family Foundation Leave benefits on behalf of employees.

Section 6. This act shall go into effect on January 1, 2025 after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-501

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” of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 1 is amended to read as follows:

1. 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) .)

A. 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:

1. 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).)

A. 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 7. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 6 is amended to read as follows:

Any person who circulates a sheet of said petition shall verify the signatures included on any signature sheets he or she circulates by executing his or her affidavit thereon and as a part thereof. The Secretary of State shall cause to be affixed onto the back of the signature form an affidavit, subject to change, for the circulator to verify the signatures.

State of Oklahoma,) ss. County of \_\_\_\_)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn, say: That I am at least eighteen (18) years old and that all signatures on the signature sheet were signed in my presence; I believe that each has stated his or her name, mailing address, and residence correctly, and that each signer is a legal voter of the State of Oklahoma and county of \_\_\_\_\_ or of the city of \_\_\_\_\_ (as the case may be). (Signature and complete address of affiant.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 20\_.

(Signature and title of the officer before whom oath is made, and his or her mailing address.)

Section 8. AMENDATORY 34 O.S. § 6.1 is amended to read as follows:

- A. The Secretary of State shall make or cause to be made a physical count of the number of signatures on the petitions. In making such count, the Secretary of State shall not include in such physical count:
1. All signatures on any sheet of any petition which is not verified by the person who circulated the sheet of the petition as provided in Section 6 of this title;
  2. All signatures of nonresidents;
  3. All signatures on a sheet that is not attached to a copy of the petition;
  4. All multiple signatures on any printed signature line;
  5. All signatures not on a printed signature line;
  6. Those signatures by a person who signs with any name other than his own or signs more than once; and
  7. All signatures on any sheet on which a notary has failed to sign, the seal of the notary is absent, the commission of the notary has expired or the expiration date is not on the signature sheet.
- B. The Secretary of State shall notify the Attorney General of any and all

violations of this title of which he has knowledge.

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) day 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; 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

5. 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.
6. 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 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-502

Hansen (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to body disposal; 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 “Cleaner Cremation” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. Alkaline hydrolysis is a process for the disposal of human and pet remains using lye and heat, and is an alternative to burial or cremation
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. All facilities that operate a crematorium that utilizes an alkaline hydrolysis machine shall be extended an exemption from the state's graduated income tax.
  2. A form will be created for the sake of families seeking to be extended a state sales tax exemption when they use alkaline hydrolysis for the cremation of their loved one.
    - 2.1. This form will not include the cremation of pets to be tax-exempt.
  3. All facilities operating a crematorium with alkaline hydrolysis will be required to inform customers of this method of cremation and the ability to acquire a sales tax break.
- Section 4. PENALTIES
1. Any facility that offers alkaline hydrolysis as a cremation process that does not inform customers of alkaline hydrolysis and the ability to acquire a sales tax break will be investigated
  2. Upon valid proof of a lack of providing information, the facility will have the opportunity for exemption. The exemption may be reinstated if they come back into compliance.
- Section 5. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-503

Hansen (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to street racing; 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 “Need For Speed” Act of 2024.

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

1. Street Racing: The action of a person(s) who willfully compare or contest relative speeds by operation of one or more motor vehicles, whether or not such speed is in excess of the maximum speed prescribed by law.

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

1. The Oklahoma Department of Motor Vehicles will offer a “Street Racing Permit” for the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25).
  - A. The only requirement to obtain a Street Racing Permit is a valid, nonexpired driver’s license.
  - B. The Street Racing Permit expires with the expiration date of the owner’s driver’s license. Both can be renewed simultaneously.
2. A street racing permit will allow anyone carrying the ability to exceed speed limits on most roads.
3. Street racing permits do not affect school zones and residential roads.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Carriers of the Street Racing Permit who abuse the aforementioned permit (speeding on residential roads and school zones) will have their permit stripped from them and fined according to Oklahoma law.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-504

Ritsema (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the viewership of pornographic material by minor; 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 “Minor Protection” Act of 2024.

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

- A. Minor – an individual younger than eighteen (18) years old
- B. Pornography – As defined by the supreme court:
  - 1. Whether the average person, applying contemporary community standards, would find that the work, taken as a whole, appeals to the prurient interest.
  - 2. Whether the work depicts or describes, in a patently offensive way, sexual conduct specifically defined by applicable state law.
  - 3. Whether the work, taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value.
- C. Transactional Data – a sequence of information that documents an exchange, agreement, or transfer between an individual, commercial entity, or third party used for the purpose of satisfying a request or event. The term includes records from mortgage, education, and employment entities.
- D. Digital identification – information stored on a digital network that may be accessed by a commercial entity and that serves as proof of the identity of an individual.

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

- A. A commercial entity that knowingly and intentionally publishes or distributes material on an Internet website, including a social media platform, more than one-third of which is sexual material harmful to minors, shall use reasonable



age verification methods as described by Section 4 to verify that an individual attempting to access the material is eighteen (18) years of age or older.

- B. A commercial entity that performs the age verification required by Subsection (a) or a third party that performs the age verification required by Subsection (a) may not retain any identifying information of the individual after access has been granted to the material.
- C. A commercial entity that knowingly and intentionally publishes or distributes material on an Internet website that is found to have violated this section is liable to the parent or guardian of the minor for damages resulting from a minor's access to the material, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees as ordered by the court.
- D. A commercial entity that knowingly and intentionally publishes or distributes material on an Internet website, or a third party that performs the age verification required by Subsection (a) that is found to have knowingly retained identifying information of an individual after access has been granted to the individual is liable to the individual for damages resulting from retaining the identifying information, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees as ordered by the court.
- E. This bill does not apply to a bona fide news or public interest broadcast, website video, report, or event and may not be construed to affect the rights of a news-gathering organization.
- F. An Internet service provider, or its affiliates or subsidiaries, a search engine, or a cloud service provider may not be held to have violated this chapter solely for providing access or connection to or from a website or other information or content on the Internet or on a facility, system, or network not under that provider's control, including transmission, downloading, intermediate storage, access software, or other services to the extent the provider or search engine is not responsible for the creation of the content that constitutes sexual material harmful to minors.

Section 4. Reasonable age verification methods:

- A. A commercial entity that knowingly and intentionally publishes or distributes material on an Internet website or a third party that performs age verification under this chapter shall require an individual to:
  - 1. provide digital identification; or
  - 2. comply with a commercial age verification system that verifies age using:
    - a. Government-issued identification; or,
    - b. A commercially reasonable method that relies on public or

private transactional data to verify the age of an individual.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-505

Ritsema (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the general education with respect to firearms; 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 “Properly Educate Weapons’ Personal Employment and Welfare” Act of 2024.

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

A. Firearm – any weapon which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive.

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

A. School districts within the state of Oklahoma that benefit from federal education funds shall offer courses on firearm safety: The courses shall include instruction on the following topics:

1. Firearm safety;
2. Firearm maintenance; and
3. The Constitutional rights afforded by the 2nd Amendment of the United States of America’s Bill of Rights.

B. The State Department of Education shall:

1. Develop and make available to public schools resources related to implementing gun courses with grade-appropriate instruction; and
2. Develop and implement high-quality professional learning opportunities for gun course teachers.

C. The State Board of Education may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-506

Wilson (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to beverages; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 25 O.S. §98.7; providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “23 Flavors” Act of 2024.

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

A. Dr Pepper - refers to the carbonated drink produced by the brand Dr Pepper.

Section 3. AMENDATORY O.S. §25-98.7 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-507

Wilson (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Turnpikes; providing short title; amending 69 O.S. §1705; 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 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY O.S. 69 §1705 is amended to read as follows:

- A. O.S. §69-1705, Section 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.
- B. O.S. §69 1705, Section 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 3. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OBU-508

Laginess (OBU)  
Hansen (OBU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to educational retention; 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 “Student Retention Protocol” Act of 2024

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

1. “Students at Risk of Being Retained” - Students who have been identified by school personnel as operating below the academic threshold necessary to permit enrollment into an advancing grade for the following school year.
2. “Occupational evaluation” - A test administered by an occupational therapist to assess areas of functioning and determine the need for a treatment plan or develop such treatment plan.
3. “Physical therapy evaluation” - The administration, interpretation, and evaluation of tests and measurements of bodily functions and structures.
4. “Family Assessment” - A process for gathering and organizing information surrounding the family structure, composition, member relationships, characteristics, interactions, and dynamics.
5. “Hearing Screening” - A test used to evaluate hearing across all different pitches and determine risk for hearing loss.
6. “Vision Screening” - The process or system used to identify a person having or who may be at risk of developing visual problems that may adversely affect their ability to learn.
7. “Psychiatric Evaluation” - An assessment based on present problems and symptoms of an individual's biological, mental, and social functioning; which may or may not result in the diagnosis of a mental illness.

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

1. Students who are at risk of being retained shall receive a hearing and visual screening; as well as a family assessment.
  - a. These shall be done by qualified school personnel.
    - i. In the absence of such qualified personnel, they shall be employed or contracted through the school district.
2. Students who are at risk of being retained shall also receive a psychiatric evaluation.
  - a. This evaluation shall be selected and completed by a qualified professional as determined by the Oklahoma Department of Education.
3. Occupational and/or physical therapy evaluations will be offered to students whose risk of being retained is not identified in the evaluations listed in sections (1)–(2).
  - a. These evaluations shall be done by medical professionals employed or contracted through the school district.
4. Funding for the assessments and screenings provided herein shall be appropriated from the Oklahoma General Revenue Fund.

Section 4. This act shall become effective at the start of the 2025-2026 school year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ORU-501

Burriss (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to cyber bullying; 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 “School Environment Protection” Act of 2024.

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

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

A. 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.

B. School Administration will be responsible for investigating all claims of cyber bullying.

Section 4. PENALTIES

A. Any student or person found in violation of Section 3.1 faces immediate expulsion and a minimum five hundred dollar (\$500) fine.

B. Any person found in violation of Section 3.1 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ORU-502

Burriss (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the Tulsa Race Massacre; 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 2024.

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

1. “Tulsa Race Massacre” refers to the riot that took place in the Greenwood District of Oklahoma from May 31st to June 1st, 1921.
2. “Descendants” refers to a blood relative in the direct line of descent – the children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc. of a person.
3. "Black American" refers to an individual who self-identifies as Black or African American and is a citizen of the United States.
4. “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.
5. “Surplus Funds” refers to the amount of money left over when requirements have been met; an excess of money.
6. “Victim” refers to a person who suffers loss of life, limb, or property.

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

1. Descendants of the Tulsa Race Massacre shall receive reparations totaling one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,000,000) disbursed in monthly payments over a period of twelve (12) years.
2. All descendants of the victims of the Tulsa Race Massacre, shall be granted a renewable scholarship of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) annually to pursue higher education at any eligible university in Oklahoma, starting from high school graduation and extending to current university enrollees.
  - A. This scholarship shall go directly to the university of their choice. Any

surplus funds are given to the student.

3. The Department of Finance shall establish and administer a Non-Interest Loan Program for the survivors and descendants of the Tulsa Race Massacre. The Non-Interest Loan Program shall provide loans ranging from [\$10,000 to \$100,000] to eligible Black American citizens for the purposes of:
  - A. Purchasing or improving residential property,
  - B. Establishing or expanding small businesses,
  - C. Investing in community development initiatives that benefit underserved Black American communities,
4. To be eligible for a non-interest loan under this program, an individual must:
  - A. Be a survivor or direct descendant of the victims of the Tulsa Race Massacre as defined in Section 2.
  - B. Be a resident of the state of Oklahoma.
  - C. Meet the financial need requirements as determined by the Department of Finance.
  - D. Applicants shall not be discriminated against based on credit history, provided they meet the other eligibility criteria outlined in this section.
5. Reparations and The Non-Interest Loan Program shall be funded through appropriations made by the Oklahoma State Legislature and state savings. The Department of Finance may also seek federal grants, private donations, or other sources of funding to support the program.
  - a. The term of the non-interest loan shall be established by the Department of Finance, with a maximum term of thirty [30] years.
6. The Department of Finance shall provide an annual report to the Governor and the Oklahoma State Legislature on the implementation and impact of the Non-Interest Loan Program.
  - A. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the number of loans issued, loan amounts, demographic information of borrowers, purposes of the loans, and any recommendations for program improvements.
  - B. The Department of Finance shall ensure proper oversight of the program to prevent fraud, misuse of funds, or any other illegal activities.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ORU-503

Dumail (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to educational institutions, providing for 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 “Stable Psychological Well Being Key to an Enhanced College Student Performance” Act of 2024.

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

- A. Stable - refers to having consistency regarding an individual’s physical and mental state.
- B. Psychological- the mental state of an individual
- C. Well-Being - refers to the overall quality of an individual, with an emphasis on their mental health.
- D. Enhanced - refers to an improved quality of carrying out tasks and responsibilities.
- E. Performance- refers to an individual’s ability to carry out tasks.

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 fall under the administration of the Secretary of Education that any educational institute must let students take three days maximum of absence to focus on their psychological well-being. a. Students have the right to decide when they want to miss class for this reason throughout the school year.
  - 1. Students have the responsibility to catch up on the work they miss on that day/s. While teachers have the right to penalize students if no effort is being done to complete schoolwork.
- B. No documentation is required to be turned in by the student, with the

exemption of needing to miss more than the maximum allocated days of school missed, and if it is a serious health condition.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any individual that chooses not to respect this right will be subjected to a fine of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and a possible prison time of fifteen (15) days.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ORU-504

Dumail (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to educational institutions, providing for 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 “Enhancing Collegiate Student Rest and Wellbeing” Act of 2024.

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

- A. College Student: Any individual that is enrolled and attending college, a university, or an academy.
- B. Educational Institution: Any public or private institution responsible for educating individuals, starting from preschool to college.
- C. Rest: to relax and time to recover strength
- D. Wellbeing: An individual being in a happy and healthy state, mentally, physically and emotionally.

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 fall under the administration of the Secretary of Education that any educational institute designed for college students whether it be undergraduates or graduates, and whether it be a community college or a university to not have any class start before nine (9) a.m.
- B. Any activities such as extracurriculars and sports practices should start no earlier than seven (7) a.m. so students can have time to relax.
- C. Educational institutions must still adhere to statutes 70 O.S. §1-109 and 70 O.S. §1-111, which states that each school day must have six (6) hours of school time devoted to school activities.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any individual that chooses not to respect this right will be subjected to a fine of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ORU-505

Jones (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to turnpikes and toll booths; 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 “Free Passage” Act of 2024.

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

- A. Turnpike: an expressway, especially one on which a toll is charged.
- B. Highway: a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities.
- C. Bridge: a structure carrying a road, path, railroad, or canal across a river, ravine, road, railroad, or other obstacle.
- D. Tollbooth: A booth where a toll is collected. Also called tollhouse.
- E. Toll fee: a tax or fee paid for some liberty or privilege, chiefly passing over a highway or bridge for the purposes of this act.

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

- A. Highways, bridges, and turnpikes used for public transportation by way of bus, personal vehicle, or vehicular service, will now fall under the jurisdiction and ownership of the Oklahoma state government
- B. All such government owned highways, bridges, and turnpikes are to decommission all of their toll booths permanently

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Henceforth, should a toll fee be collected on any highway, bridge, or turnpike in the state of Oklahoma, the offending party shall be fined ten (10) times the number of dollars taken for each toll fee collected to be paid to the offended party

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ORU-506

Swaney (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to parent's 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 "Parental Rights in Education Preservation Act" of 2024.

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

- A. "Parental rights" shall refer to the fundamental right of parents to direct the upbringing and education of their children, including the right to make decisions regarding their children's education, upbringing, and moral and religious instruction.
- B. "Curriculum" shall refer to the educational materials, lessons, and resources used in schools to teach students.
- C. "Sexual and gender identity ideology" shall refer to any teachings or materials that promote a particular view of sexuality, gender identity, or sexual orientation that conflicts with the religious beliefs or moral convictions of parents.

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

- A. Public schools shall provide written notice to parents or legal guardians regarding any curriculum, materials, or programs that include teachings related to sexual and gender identity ideology. Parents or legal guardians shall have the right to review such materials and opt their children out of any instruction or activities that conflict with their religious beliefs or moral convictions.

- B. No public school shall adopt or utilize curriculum, materials, or programs that promote sexual and gender identity ideology without providing alternative options for parents who object on religious or moral grounds.

Section 4. PENALTIES

- A. Any public school found to be in violation of this act shall be subject to loss of state funding until corrective action is taken to comply with the provisions outlined herein.

Section 6. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the 2025-2026 academic year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. ORU-507

Swaney (ORU)

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 “Healthcare Religious Freedom and Conscience Protection Act” of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Religious freedom” shall refer to the right of individuals to freely exercise their religious beliefs without interference or coercion from the government or other entities.
  2. "Conscience protections" shall refer to legal safeguards that protect individuals from being required to participate in activities or provide services that violate their sincerely held religious or moral beliefs.
  3. “Healthcare provider” shall refer to any individual or entity involved in the provision of healthcare services, including but not limited to physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and healthcare facilities.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. No healthcare provider shall be required to participate in or provide medical procedures, treatments, or services that violate their sincerely held religious beliefs or moral convictions, including but not limited to abortion, sterilization, or physician-assisted suicide.
  2. Healthcare providers shall have the right to refuse to provide or participate in such procedures, treatments, or services without fear of discrimination, retaliation, or adverse employment actions.
  3. Healthcare facilities shall not discriminate against or penalize healthcare providers who exercise their rights under this act.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any healthcare facility found to be in violation of this act shall be subject to fines and other appropriate penalties as determined by the state health department.

Section 5. This act shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-501

Baldwin (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the education of homeschooled students; 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 “Check Up” Act of 2024.

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

1. Standardized Test - A method of assessment built on the principle of consistency. It is a test that all students take and is the same for each.
2. Homeschool - to educate one’s child at home instead of sending the child or children to school
3. Evaluation - The Assessment and progress the homeschool student has made.
4. Annually - is defined as one year from the date of the letter of intent to homeschool
5. Portfolio - a compilation of academic and professional materials that show one's education.

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

1. Every child currently homeschooled part-time or full-time must be evaluated each year on the anniversary of their intent to enroll to be homeschooled.
2. Parents shall maintain a portfolio of records and materials during the school year. The portfolio shall consist of the following:
  - a. A log of educational activities that is made contemporaneously with the instruction and that designates by title any reading materials used.
  - b. Samples of any writings, worksheets, workbooks, or creative materials used or developed by the student

3. Parents shall provide for an annual educational evaluation on the anniversary of their intent to enroll. In which the student will demonstrate their academic progress at a level corresponding with their ability. Parents shall select the evaluation method and file a copy of the evaluation annually with the district school superintendent's office in the county where the student resides. The annual educational evaluation shall consist of one of the following:
  - a. The parent selects an evaluator of their choosing through a third-party website, a website created by the district, or even a local parent group to obtain the names of available evaluators. Upon review of the portfolio and discussion with the student, evaluators shall hold a valid regular Oklahoma certificate to teach academic subjects at the elementary or secondary level.
    - i. Evaluators shall be paid for their services: forty dollars for in-person evaluations and thirty dollars for online evaluations. Depending on the evaluator, sibling discounts will also be available.
  - b. The student shall take any nationally normed student achievement test administered by a certified teacher;
  - c. The student shall take a state student assessment test used by the school district and administered by a certified teacher, at a location and under testing conditions approved by the school district;
  - d. The student shall be evaluated with any other valid measurement tool as mutually agreed upon by the district school superintendent of the district in which the student resides and the student's parent.
4. The district school superintendent shall review and accept the results of the annual educational evaluation of the student in a home education program. If the student does not demonstrate educational progress at a level commensurate with their ability, the district school superintendent shall notify the parent, in writing, that such progress has not been achieved. The parent shall have one (1) year from the date of receipt of the written notification to provide remedial instruction to the student. At the end of the one (1) year probationary period, the student shall be reevaluated. Continuation in a home education program shall be contingent upon the student demonstrating educational progress commensurate with their ability at the end of the probationary period.
5. A parent who is unable to meet the evaluation deadline should communicate with the school district and request an extension of two weeks.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Failure to comply places the home education program in non-compliance and permits the superintendent, after notice to the parent, to terminate the program.

Section 5. This act shall become effective in the 2026-2027 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-502

Baldwin (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to prior authorizations for health insurance; 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 “Improvement Of Prior Authorization” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Prior Authorization” - obtaining advance approval from the Oklahoma Health Care Authority for a service or medication coverage.
  2. "Covered healthcare services"- healthcare procedures or prescriptions that are covered and payable under the terms of the health benefit plan issued by health insurance companies.
  3. "Uncovered healthcare services" - Prescriptions or treatments not covered by health insurance issuers.
  4. “Insurance Provider” - an individual or entity that performs prior authorization for one or more of the following entities:
    - a. an employer with employees in Oklahoma who are covered under a health benefit plan or health insurance policy from the company;
    - b. a preferred provider organization or health maintenance organization; and
    - c. any other individual or entity that offers to provide or administers hospital, outpatient, medical, prescription drug, or other health benefits to a person treated by a health care professional in Oklahoma under a policy, plan, or contract.
  5. Retroactive denial - A retroactive denial is a reversal of an approved prior authorization.



6. Health Care Provider - A licensed person or organization that provides health care services. For example doctors, nurses, therapists, pharmacists, laboratories, hospitals, clinics, and other health care places.

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

1. A prior authorization shall be valid for at least one year from the date the health care provider receives it, and the authorization period shall be effective regardless of any changes in dosage for a prescription drug prescribed by the health care provider.
2. If an Insurance Provider requires prior authorization for a health care service to treat a chronic or long-term care condition, the prior approval shall remain valid for the length of the treatment, and the Insurance Provider may not require the enrollee to obtain prior authorization again for the health care service.
3. An insurance Provider shall honor a prior authorization granted to an enrollee from a previous Insurance Provider for at least the initial ninety (90) days of coverage under a new health plan.
4. Retroactive denial
  - a. The Insurance Provider may not revoke, limit, condition, or restrict a prior authorization if care is provided within 45 business days from the date the health care provider received it.
  - b. An Insurance Provider must pay for a health care service or prescription provided by the health care provider per a prior authorization unless:
    - i. the health care provider knowingly and materially misrepresented the health care service in the prior authorization request with the specific intent to deceive and obtain an unlawful payment from the Insurance Provider;
    - ii. The health care service was no longer a covered benefit on the day it was provided;
    - iii. The health care provider was no longer contracted with the patient's health insurance plan on the date the care was provided;
    - iv. The healthcare provider failed to meet the Insurance Provider's timely filing requirements;
    - v. The Insurance Provider does not have liability for a claim;
    - vi. The patient was no longer eligible for health care coverage on the day the care was provided.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If an Insurance Provider fails to comply with the deadlines and other requirements specified in this Act, it will automatically authorize any healthcare services subject to review.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-503

Bishop (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the expansion of 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 2024.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-504

Bishop (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to fentanyl awareness 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 “Fentanyl Awareness” Act of 2024.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-505

Castro (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to overtime pay; 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 “Happy Birthday Pay” Act of 2024.

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

1. Hourly Rate - The amount of money you earn for each hour you spend working at a job.
2. Birthday - The anniversary of the day on which a person was born.
3. Overtime Pay - One and a half (1.5) times the amount of your hourly pay rate.

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

1. If an hourly rate employee works on their birthday, they shall receive overtime pay instead of their usual hourly rate.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a business fails to pay overtime for an employee's birthday then they must be forced to pay two and a half (2.5) times the amount of the hourly pay rate of the employee.
2. The business will face a five hundred dollars (\$500) fine from the Oklahoma Department of Labor and must be paid to the Oklahoma Department of Labor if overtime isn't paid to the employee.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-506

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 2024.

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.~~

Section 3. 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-507

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 2024.

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 person under the age of eighteen (18) years.
4. “Harmful to minors” -
  - 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, 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 three thousand dollars (\$3,000) and a prison sentence for five (5) years.

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1, 2025.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-508

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 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)\

House Bill No. OSU-509

Gaddis (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to online textbooks; 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 “Accessible Online Textbook” Act of 2024.

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

1. State University: Any university that receives federal or state funding aside from research grants.

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

1. All state universities shall fund and provide a free online copy of any reading material required for classes.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. For every class that does not provide a required reading, the University will have to pay a fine of two thousand and five hundred dollars (\$2,500).
2. If the University reaches fifteen (15) classes that fail to provide a required reading, they will have to pay a fine of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) on top of the penalty of two thousand and five hundred dollars (\$2,500).

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the school year in 2026.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-510

Gilmore (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to subsidy assistance; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for funding; 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 2024.

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 Department of Human Services.
2. "Oklahoma Department of Human Services" 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 specific annual income or corporations within the top 2% of Oklahoma's taxable individuals and corporations.
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.

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.
2. The SAPLIF program shall be administered by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services and shall be subject to funding allocated by a Progressive Income Tax Surcharge for this purpose.
3. Oklahoma shall establish an educational campaign to promote awareness of this program and its eligibility requirements statewide, including but not limited to periodic program reviews, collaboration with nonprofits and advocacy groups, and online surveys and feedback forms.
4. 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 Department of Human Services.
  - B. Comply with any additional eligibility requirements or documentation as prescribed by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services.
  - C. Have filed a tax return in the previous year.
  - D. Currently working a job or have unemployment insurance.
  - E. If the household is already enrolled for other welfare programs.

Section 5. FUNDING

1. The top one percent of earnings shall be taxed two percent (2%) annually.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-511

Gilmore (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to flavored vapes; 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 “Safeguarding Sooner Lungs” Act of 2024.

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

1. "Flavored Disposable Vapes" refer to electronic nicotine delivery systems designed for single-use, pre-filled with flavored liquids.
2. "Flavored Liquids" shall include but not be limited to any liquid used in electronic nicotine delivery systems that contains added flavoring agents intended to impart a taste other than tobacco.
3. "Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)" encompass any device that delivers nicotine, flavor, or any other substance to the user inhaling from the device, including but not limited to e-cigarettes, vape pens, and pod systems.
4. "Public Space" refers to any area, indoor or outdoor, that is open or accessible to the public, including but not limited to parks, sidewalks, recreational areas, and public transportation facilities.
5. "Retail Establishment" denotes any brick-and-mortar location where goods are sold directly to consumers, including but not limited to convenience stores, gas stations, and vape shops.
6. "Youth" shall refer to individuals under the age of twenty-one (21) years.

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

1. It shall be illegal for individuals and businesses to sell, distribute, or use



flavored disposable vapes within the state of Oklahoma.

2. Retail establishments found in violation of Section 3.1 by regulatory authorities shall be subject to fines not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the first offense. Repeat violations by the same establishment may result in fines up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per violation and the revocation of relevant licenses.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual found in violation of Section 3.1 by law enforcement shall face a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) for the first offense. Subsequent offenses by the same individual shall result in fines not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per violation.
2. Businesses found in violation of Section 3.1 by regulatory authorities shall be subject to fines not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the first offense. Repeat violations by the same establishment may result in fines up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per violation and the revocation of relevant licenses.
3. In addition to fines, individuals or businesses found in violation of this act may be subject to community service requirements, mandatory education programs on the dangers of flavored disposable vapes, and other appropriate penalties deemed necessary by the court or regulatory authorities.
4. Any individual found selling or distributing flavored disposable vapes to minors shall face penalties including but not limited to fines, community service, and possible imprisonment as determined by the severity of the offense and in accordance with existing laws pertaining to the sale of tobacco products to minors.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>st</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-512

Gray (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to 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 “No History Left Behind” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Minority groups” is discriminated against based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, or familial status such as:
  - a. Black (a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa),
  - b. Hispanic (a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American descent),
  - c. Asian American (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands), or
  - d. American Indian and Alaskan Native (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America
  - e. LGBTQ (a person having a relationship(s) outside of heterosexual relationships)

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

1. All public schools in the state of Oklahoma shall incorporate into their history curricula the following subject areas:
  - a. The history, culture, and contemporary experience of Native American tribes, with a particular emphasis on the tribes indigenous to Oklahoma.

- b. The history and contributions of African Americans, including but not limited to the experience of slavery, the civil rights movement, and the ongoing struggle for racial equality.
    - c. The history and contributions of Hispanic Americans and other minority groups in Oklahoma and the United States.
    - d. The history and contributions of women, including their roles in social movements, politics, economics, and other aspects of American life.
    - e. The history and experiences of LGBTQ individuals and their struggle for equal rights and acceptance.
    - f. The history and impact of immigration and the experiences of immigrant communities in Oklahoma and the United States.
2. The Oklahoma State Department of Education shall develop and provide to all public schools age-appropriate curricula, instructional materials, and professional development resources to support the instructors.
3. All public schools shall make their history curricula and instructional materials publicly available and easily accessible to parents, guardians, and community members.
  - a. This would include uploading history curricula to the school website or having another avenue where the material is available for all to access.
4. The Oklahoma State Department of Education shall establish a process for receiving and addressing concerns or complaints regarding the implementation of this act.

Section 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2028, after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-513

Jasper (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to motor vehicles; providing 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 2024.

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 60 (sixty) 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-514

Jasper (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to online protection of minors; 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 “Safeguard of Succeeding Youth” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Social Media Companies” – A business that creates, maintains, and is an aggregator over social media platforms.
2. “Permanent Address” – The residential address where an individual resides and considers their primary place of dwelling.
3. “Social Media Platform” – Any internet-based platform, including those which may be accessed through an app, through which users are able to create and/or share content that is accessible to members of the public, and includes, but is not limited to, sites such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, Twitter, Clubhouse, Pinterest, Tumblr, Google+, and YouTube.
4. “Child” – Any person under the age of 16 (sixteen).

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

1. All social media companies will require an age verification system to be put in place for all users living at a permanent address within the State of Oklahoma.
  - a. The minimum age requirement for all social media platforms will be sixteen (16) years old unless authorized by the parent or guardian of the child.
2. All social media companies age verification processes shall require one of the following identifications.

- a. Driver's license
- b. Photo ID
- c. Passport

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any social media company having not created an age verification process six (6) months after the effective date shall be barred from use within the state of Oklahoma.

Section 5. This act shall become effective January 1st, 2026.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-515

Jimenez (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating personal financial literacy; providing a short title; providing for definitions; amending 70 O.S. § 11-103.6h; 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 Financial Literacy” Act of 2024.

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

1. Financial literacy – a method of education instruction which consists of principles of financial management, personal accountability, and economic endeavors.
2. Satisfactory completion - must earn a C or greater to pass.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 70 § O.S. 11-103.6h is amended to read as follows:

- A. Personal financial literacy education shall be taught in the public schools of this state. Personal financial literacy education shall include, but is not limited to, the following areas of instruction:
  1. Understanding interest, credit card debt, and online commerce;
  2. Rights and responsibilities of renting or buying a home;
  3. Savings and investing;
  4. Planning for retirement;
  5. Bankruptcy;
  6. Banking and financial services;
  7. Managing a bank account;
  8. Understanding the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), loans and borrowing money, including predatory lending and payday loans;
  9. Understanding insurance;
  10. Identity fraud and theft;



11. Charitable giving;
  12. Understanding the financial impact and consequences of gambling;
  13. Earning an income; and
  14. Understanding state and federal taxes.
- B. In order to graduate from a public high school accredited by the State Board of Education with a standard diploma, students shall fulfill the requirements for a personal financial literacy passport. The requirements for a personal financial literacy passport shall be satisfactory completion in all areas of instruction in personal financial literacy as listed in subsection A of this section during grades seven through twelve or demonstration of satisfactory knowledge as provided for in subsection E of this section.
- C. School districts shall provide instruction in personal financial literacy to students during grades seven through twelve. School districts shall have the option of determining when each area of instruction listed in subsection A of this section shall be presented to students.
- D. Personal financial literacy instruction shall be ~~integrated into one or more existing courses of study or~~ provided in a separate personal financial literacy course. ~~School districts shall have the option of determining into which course or courses each area of instruction listed in subsection A of this section shall be integrated.~~
- E. Students with the most significant cognitive disabilities (MSCD) who have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) that directs that the student is to be assessed with alternate achievements standards through the Oklahoma Alternative Assessment Program may demonstrate satisfactory knowledge in each area of instruction listed in subsection A of this section upon a determination, supported by documentation, by the school district that the student has met the following criteria:
1. Receives substantive and substantial instruction in life-skills curriculum; and
  2. Demonstrates the acquired knowledge of the student with MSCD by alternate measures as required by the IEP.
- F. The State Board of Education shall identify and adopt curriculum standards for personal financial literacy instruction that reflect the areas of instruction listed in subsection A of this section. The standards shall be incorporated into the state academic content standards adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 11-103.6 of this title.
- G. The State Department of Education shall:
1. Develop guidelines and material designed to enable schools to ~~infuse personal financial literacy within any course of study currently offered by the school district or~~ offer personal financial literacy as a separate

course. The guidelines shall outline the areas of instruction to be taught based on the curriculum standards adopted by the Board;

2. Develop professional development programs that are designed to help teachers provide instruction in personal financial literacy and ~~incorporate the curriculum into an existing course or courses or~~ develop curriculum for a separate personal financial literacy course;
  3. Provide and identify resources, including online curricula, for ~~integrating the teaching of personal financial literacy into an existing course or courses of study or for developing~~ a separate personal financial literacy course. Any online curricula provided or identified by the Department shall include an assessment component for each area of instruction listed in subsection A of this section;
  4. Provide and identify resources, including online curricula, and materials designed to enable students identified as English language learners to understand and use the personal financial literacy information presented; and
  5. Utilize funds deposited into the Personal Financial Literacy Education Revolving Fund created in Section 3 of this act for the purpose of and to fund the Passport to Financial Literacy Act. Such funds may be used for developing and providing guidelines, materials and resources for personal financial literacy for students and teachers including, but not limited to, online curricula, training and professional development for teachers in the area of personal financial literacy as required in this subsection. The Department may use such funds to contract or work in conjunction with a third-party, Oklahoma-based not-for-profit organization that has proven expertise in the development of standards and curricula. The Department may further use a third-party organization to deliver professional development for teachers in the area of personal financial literacy.
- H. The Department may work with one or more not-for-profit organizations that have proven expertise in the development of standards and curriculum and delivery of teacher professional development in personal financial literacy for the purpose of developing and providing guidelines, materials, resources, including online curricula, and professional development.
- I. 1. For students who transfer into an Oklahoma school district from out of state after the seventh grade, school districts shall assess the knowledge of the student in each of the areas of instruction listed in subsection A of this section. If the school district determines that the transferred student has successfully completed instruction in any or all of the areas of personal financial literacy instruction at a previous school in which the student was enrolled or if the

student demonstrates satisfactory knowledge of any or all of the areas of personal financial literacy instruction through an assessment, the school district may exempt the student from completing instruction in that area of personal financial literacy instruction. School districts may use the assessment contained in the online curricula provided or identified by the State Department of Education pursuant to subsection G of this section to determine the personal financial literacy knowledge level of the student. School districts may also use the online curricula to present an area of instruction to transferred students who have not completed or who did not demonstrate satisfactory knowledge in one or more of the areas of personal financial literacy instruction.

2. For students who transfer into an Oklahoma school district from out of state after the junior year of high school, school districts may make an exception to the requirements for a personal financial literacy passport pursuant to the provisions of Section 11-103.6 of this title.
- J. The State Textbook Committee created in Section 16-101 of this title may, when selecting textbooks for mathematics, economics, or similar courses, select those textbooks which contain substantive provisions on personal finance.
- K. In order to deliver high-quality consistent personal financial literacy instruction, school districts shall to the extent possible assign the responsibility for teaching personal financial literacy to the same teacher or teachers on a continuing basis.
- L. Beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, all teachers who are assigned the responsibility for teaching personal financial literacy shall complete ongoing professional development training in the areas of personal financial literacy instruction in accordance with guidelines established by the State Department of Education.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

1. School districts that do not provide personal financial literacy to students may receive a two percent (2%) reduction in funds in the next school year.

#### Section 5. This act shall become effective at the start of the 2025-2026 academic school year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-516

Jimenez (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 - 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 - 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 kindergarten through twelfth (K-12) 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 Oklahoma department of education will provide funding to every state government funded K-12 schools for the purpose of free school meals. State funding for each school will go to the express purpose of serving students, a minimum of one (1) breakfast and one (1) 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.

Section 6. FUNDING

1. Oklahoma will increase state business tax by 1% (one percent) for all small businesses for the first year and increase by 0.05% (point zero five percent) over the next five years capping out at 1.25% (one point two five percent).
2. Oklahoma will increase state business tax by 1% (one percent) for all large businesses for the first year and increase by 0.3% (point three percent) over the next five years capping out at 2.5% (two point five percent).
3. Oklahoma will increase the state income tax for Oklahomans that gross seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) or more dollars annually by 2% (two percent) maxing out at 4% (four percent).

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 one thousand dollars (\$1,000) until the fine is paid in full.

Section 6. This act shall become effective at the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year after voting to approve income tax, passage, and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-517

McCray (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to removal of timber; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 2 O.S. § 16-59; 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 “Removal of Timber Products from State Lands” Act of 2024.

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

1. Timber Products - Any wood product including but not limited to: finished lumber, rough cut lumber, logs, woodchips, sawdust, etc.
2. State Land - Land owned by 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. Any person(s) acquiring timber products from any state land must obtain a permit through the Oklahoma Department of Forestry.
  - a. Such a permit can be obtained by submitting a request to any office of the Oklahoma Department of Forestry.
  - b. Such a permit shall cost no more than fifty dollars (\$50).
  - c. Only Oklahoma citizens shall be able to obtain such a permit.
  - d. The Oklahoma Department of Forestry shall have ten (10) days after a request has been filed to provide such permit.
  - e. Such a permit shall allow the owner to harvest timber on state land for personal use.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 2 O.S. § 16-59 is amended to read as follows:

No timber or other timber products shall be removed from any lands owned by the State of Oklahoma, except for the following circumstances; for public utilities and

improvements; and improvements and when a person(s) owns a permit from the Department of Forestry. ~~and n~~ No officer, employee, or any other person employed by the State of Oklahoma shall authorize the removal, except upon written approval of the Director of Forestry. In carrying out the duties of this section, the Director is authorized to delegate authority to persons qualified to act on the Director's behalf.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. The removal of timber products from state lands without obtaining a permit through the Oklahoma Department of Forestry shall result in a fine of no more than one thousand dollars (\$1000).

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-518

McCray (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to fuel reduction; 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 “Fuel Reduction” Act of 2024.

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

1. Small cattle production: A cattle production with less than five hundred (500) head.
2. Gas card: A card that looks like a credit card but is only used at the gas station.
3. Working ranch truck: A truck used seventy-five percent (75%) of the time for ranch work.

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

1. A program will be established in the State of Oklahoma that allows for qualification of small ranches to obtain fuel at a lower price.
2. This program will cater to the small cattle productions.
3. Upon approval, the person will receive a gas card in the mail no later than thirty (30) days after passage and approval.
4. This gas card will take twenty cents (¢20) off every gallon purchased for the ranch.
5. The person must show proof of how many heads of cattle and proof of a working ranch truck.
6. This will be enforced by a picture being taken and uploaded to an app installed on a person’s phone every time the card is used.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-519

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 2024.

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

(I) 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

(II) 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 eighteen (18) years of age, or on individuals older than eighteen (18) years of age who are living under the legal guardianship of another adult 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 for a second or third time, 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. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Section 6. EMERGENCY

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-520

McIntyre (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to real estate; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Mold Prevention” Act of 2024.

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

1. Mold: “A superficial often wooly growth produced especially on damp or decaying organic matter or on living organisms by a fungus (as of the order Mucorales)”
2. Mold Detection Test: “A test administered by a company offering mold detection services which shall include testing for black mold and other molds hazardous to human health in addition to a determination by the inspector as to whether a property is suitable for habitation.”

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

1. Any individual, business, or corporation wishing to sell real estate that includes building structures must first complete a mold detection test to be conducted by a third-party company with no known relation to the buyer or the seller of the property.
2. Before any real estate that includes building structures can be sold, any potential buyer of the property must be provided with a copy of the results of the mold detection test.
3. The mold detection test must include testing for black mold and any other molds that are hazardous to human health.
4. The final results of the mold detection test must include a determination by the professional who conducted the test as to whether or not, based on the test results, the structure is suitable for habitation.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual, business, or corporation found to have sold any property including building structures without completing and disclosing a mold detection test to the buyer shall pay a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500) per square footage of the property sold.
2. If an individual, business, or corporation is found to have violated this law more than one time and less than four (4) times, they shall pay a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1000) per square footage of the property sold.
3. If an individual, business, or corporation is found to have violated this law more than four (4) times, they shall pay a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5000) per square footage of the property sold.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-521

Mitchell (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to college dining services; 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 “Campus Dining Hours” Act of 2024.

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

1. “College” shall define all establishments of higher education where students live on campus including but not limited to universities, associate colleges, baccalaureate colleges, and doctoral universities.
2. “Dining service” shall define a restaurant, store, or establishment that sells meals, or food sufficient to replace a meal.
3. “School week” shall define Monday at 6:00 am through Friday at 11:59 pm during the school year.
4. “Night hours” shall define the hours after 8 pm during the school week until 6 am the next day or 11:59 pm Friday.
5. “Common allergens” refers to: gluten, nut, wheat, soy, and egg allergies as well as lactose intolerance.

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

1. Colleges must maintain a dining service open twenty-four (24) hours for students during the school week, when class is in session.
  - a. A dining service easily accessible on campus must be open and available for students at all hours of the night during the school week.
  - b. Dining services should accommodate common allergens.
    - i. At least one food option that accommodates one or more of the common allergens is required, with all common allergens having at least one food option available for purchase.

2. Jobs to operate the dining service during the night hours should be offered first to students at the college, before employing non-student employees.
  - a. A period of one (1) week should be reserved to only considering student applicants, after which non-student applicants can be considered.

Section 4. This act shall become effective at the start of the 2026-2027 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-522

Mitchell (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to illegal money; 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 “Finder’s Keepers” Act of 2024.

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

1. Stash - An unverified collection of money
2. Illegal in nature - Stolen, involved in a crime, earned by selling illegal goods, or acquired by breaking a law.

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

1. A stash of money can be turned into the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI).
2. When a stash is turned into the OSBI, an investigation will be conducted to determine the origin of the money.
  - a. Upon verifying the stash’s origin was illegal in nature, the money will be allocated to the Oklahoma Crime Victims Compensation fund.
    - i. Following the allocation of the money to the fund, the individual who turned in the stash shall receive a check valued at fifteen percent (15%) of the amount of money, tax free, from the Oklahoma Crime Victims Compensation fund.
  - b. If a stash cannot be linked to a crime, a second investigation will be conducted to find where the money belongs.
    - i. If the second investigation cannot verify where the money originated from, the money will be donated to the Oklahoma Crime Victims Compensation fund.

Section 4. This act shall become effective on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 after passage and approval.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-523

Moore (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to emergency lights; providing a short title; amending 47 § O.S. 12-218; amending 47 § O.S. 12-229; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Emergency Lights” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 47 § O.S. 12-218 is amended to read as follows:

1. Use of lights on wreckers and tow vehicles.

~~Flashing red or blue lights or a combination of flashing red and blue lights may be used on licensed Class AA wreckers or wrecker support vehicles at the scene of an emergency.~~

Any licensed Class AA wrecker or wrecker support vehicle may be equipped with a lamp displaying an amber light, visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the front of the vehicle or from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear of the vehicle. Such lamp shall only be used when, at the scene of an emergency, leaving the scene of a tow service call, and for the purpose of warning the operators of other vehicles to exercise care in approaching, overtaking or passing such vehicle.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 47 § O.S. 12-229 is amended to read as follows:

1. Standards and specifications for lights on vehicles or machinery operated by state or other government jurisdictions.

A. The Department of Transportation shall adopt standards and specifications applicable to headlamps, clearance lamps, identification and other lamps on snow-removal equipment, when operated on the highways of this state in lieu of the lamps otherwise required on motor vehicles by this chapter. Such standards and specifications may permit the use of flashing lights for purposes of identification on snow-removal equipment when in service upon the highways. The standards and specifications for lamps referred to in this section shall

correlate with and, so far as possible, conform with those approved by the American Association of State Highway Officials.

- B. It shall be unlawful to operate any snow-removal equipment on any highway unless the lamps thereon comply with and are lighted when and as required by the standards and specifications adopted as provided in this section.
- C. Flashing amber lights may be used on vehicles or machinery owned or operated by any agency of the state or by any county or city when engaged in the performance of emergency work or on the construction or maintenance of highways.
- D. ~~Rear facing flashing red and blue lights may be used on vehicles or machinery owned or operated by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation, the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, or by any county when engaged in the performance of emergency work or on the construction or maintenance of highways.~~

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-524

Moore (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to a bottle recycling program; 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 “Oklahoma Bottle Bill” Act of 2024.

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

1. Beverage - any drink intended for human consumption.
2. Beverage container - any container made of glass, plastic, or aluminum/bimetal holding beer, soft drinks, water, tea, coffee, and other specified beverages, but shall not include medicines, flavoring substances, milk, liquids designed to be consumed only as a dietary supplement, frozen products, unmixed wine, and spirits.
3. Oklahoma Bottle Commission (OBC) - the managerial administrative board for the deposit and recycling program.
4. Consumer - any person who purchases a beverage in a beverage container for personal use or consumption.
5. Retailer - any person or entity engaged in the retail sale of beverages in beverage containers to consumers.
6. Distributor - any person or entity engaged in the wholesale distribution of beverages in beverage containers to retailers.
7. Manufacturer - any person or entity involved in the production or packaging of beverages in beverage containers for sale or distribution.
8. Program Redemption Centers (PRCs) - any designated location or facility, operated and financed by the OBC, where consumers can return empty beverage containers for deposit refunds.
9. Retail Redemption Centers (RRCs) - any designated location or facility, operated voluntarily by individual retailers, where consumers can return empty beverage containers for deposit refunds.

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

1. Administration:

1. The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) shall establish a beverage container deposit and recycling program for the State of Oklahoma.
  - a. The DEQ shall establish a regulatory board that shall be referred to as “Oklahoma Bottle Commission” or the “O.B.C.” to oversee and administer the deposit and recycling program, including but not limited to rulemaking, enforcement, and coordination with stakeholders.
    - i. The OBC shall work in conjunction with the Oklahoma Recycling Administration during the development and administration of this program.
  - b. The OBC shall provide training and education materials to distributors and retailers regarding program requirements and procedures.
    - i. These training and education materials shall be developed by the OBC in conjunction with the Oklahoma Recycling Administration.
2. The Oklahoma Bottle Commission shall oversee and administer the accounting and financial functions as defined in this act and necessary for the program.
3. The Oklahoma Bottle Commission shall be subject to yearly audits by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to ensure compliance with all Federal and State laws.
4. The DEQ and OBC, with the advice of the Oklahoma Recycling Association, shall ensure the success of the program and shall be subject to audits and investigations by the Oklahoma Legislature.

2. Consumer Overview:

1. Every beverage container sold or distributed in the State of Oklahoma shall carry a refundable deposit value of ten cents (\$0.10) and shall remain at that level until modified by an act of the Oklahoma Legislature.
2. Consumers may return empty beverage containers to designated redemption centers or participating retailers in exchange for a refund of the deposit value.

- a. Consumers may return no less than ten (10) beverage containers (minimum refund value of one dollar (\$1.00)) at one time in exchange for a refund.

### 3. Retailer Overview:

1. Retailers shall charge the consumer at the point of sale a deposit equal to the refund value for each beverage container sold in this state, except on beverages intended for on-premises consumption. The deposit charge shall appear as a separate line item on any sales receipt or invoice.
2. Retailers shall prominently display signs indicating their participation in the beverage container deposit and recycling program.
3. Retailers shall be allowed to voluntarily operate a redemption center on their premises, these shall be known as Retail Redemption Centers (RRC).
  - a. To operate an RRC, retailers must apply and obtain an RRC permit through means and procedures determined by the OBC. Retailers must reapply for their RRC permit every three (3) years.
  - b. Retail Redemption Centers shall be required to accept returned beverage containers during regular business hours and provide refunds to consumers.
    - i. Refunds issued to consumers shall be the financial responsibility of retailers. Retailers shall be reimbursed by Program Redemption Centers (PRCs) upon delivery of collected beverage containers and the proper records presented.
    - ii. RRCs shall be required to deliver and transport their collected beverage containers to PRCs every four (4) weeks.
    - iii. RRCs shall maintain accurate records of container returns, refunds issued, and recycling activities.

### 4. Distributor Overview:

1. Distributors shall pay to the OBC a container recovery fee equal to the refundable deposit value for each beverage container as defined in section 2.2 of this act and manufactured in or imported into this state. The fee shall be imposed only one time per deposit beverage container.
2. Distributors shall charge retailers a deposit fee equal to the refundable depository value for each beverage container sold to the retailer. This fee shall be included in the total cost of each beverage container, but shall appear as a separate line item on any sales receipt or invoice.

3. Distributors shall conduct regular audits, as set by the OBC, of retailer compliance with program obligations and report findings to the OBC.
  - a. The OBC shall require a minimum of two (2) audits to be conducted per year for all retailers.
5. Program Redemption Centers (PRCs):
  1. Program Redemption Centers shall be established in diverse geographic locations across the state, including urban, suburban, and rural areas as determined by the OBC.
    - a. The OBC shall work in conjunction with the Oklahoma Recycling Association to select locations for PRCs using the most up-to-date data from the U.S. Census Bureau and Oklahoma Department of Commerce.
      - i. At least one PRC shall be operated within each city of Oklahoma with a population of at least twenty thousand (20,000) people within four (4) years of the program's implementation.
    - b. Criteria for redemption center locations shall prioritize accessibility to consumers, public transportation routes, and areas with high beverage container consumption.
  2. PRCs shall operate during regular business hours, including evenings and weekends, to accommodate consumer convenience.
    - a. PRCs shall provide efficient and courteous service to consumers returning beverage containers, ensuring timely processing and refund issuance.
    - b. PRCs may offer additional services such as container sorting, cleaning, and bulk transportation to recycling facilities.
    - c. PRCs shall be operated and overseen by the OBC.
6. Reporting and Compliance:
  1. Retailers, distributors, and manufacturers shall submit monthly reports on the first (1st) of every month to the OBC detailing beverage container sales, returns, refunds issued, and recycling activities.
  2. Reports shall be submitted electronically through a designated electronic portal established by the OBC, ensuring timely and accurate data collection.
  3. The OBC shall conduct regular inspections and audits of PRCs, RRCs, retailers, distributors, and manufacturers to ensure compliance with program requirements.
  4. Non-compliance with program obligations may result in penalties, including fines, suspension of participation privileges, or revocation of permits.

## 7. Public Awareness and Education

1. The OBC shall develop and implement comprehensive public awareness and education campaigns with the Oklahoma Recycling Association to inform consumers, retailers, distributors, and manufacturers about the beverage container deposit and recycling program.
  - a. Public outreach efforts shall utilize multiple communication channels, including television, radio, social media, and printed materials, to reach diverse audiences statewide.
  - b. Educational materials shall emphasize the environmental benefits of recycling, proper container handling, and the role of consumers in supporting a sustainable recycling infrastructure.

## 8. Funding

1. The deposit and recycling program operated by the Oklahoma Bottle Commission shall be funded through the following means:
  - a. The start up costs of the program shall be funded by the Department of Environmental Quality through a temporary increase in the DEQ's yearly budget.
  - b. The Department of Environmental Quality shall fund the deposit and recycling program's operational expenses.

## 9. Implementation

1. The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality shall work with the Oklahoma Recycling Association and the National Recycling Coalition to research and develop the provisions outlined in this act over a period of no more than three (3) years after passage and approval.
2. By the end of the three (3) year time period, the DEQ shall have fully established the Oklahoma Bottle Commission and implemented the provisions outlined in this act.

## 10. Program Partners

1. The Oklahoma Bottle Commission shall partner with local recycling companies and facilities for the purpose of recycling returned beverage containers from PRCs.
  - a. The OBC shall prioritize partnering with Oklahoma based recycling companies and facilities.
  - b. The OBC shall prioritize costs, energy efficiency, proximity to PRCs and other metrics when choosing program partners as set by the DEQ to ensure the success of the program.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Violation of this act by retailers, distributors, and manufacturers shall be subject to penalties as determined by regulations issued by the DEQ and OBC, including fines, suspension of permits, or other appropriate enforcement measures.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-525

Nicholson (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to teaching certification; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 70 O.S. § 3-104.1; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

- Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Teachers with Narcotic Based Felonies” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Teacher” - Any person who is employed by an Oklahoma school district to serve as district superintendent, principal, supervisor, counselor, librarian, school nurse or classroom teacher or in any other instructional, supervisory, or administrative capacity is defined as a teacher
  2. “Illegal Narcotics” - Any of the following:
    - a. opium, coca leaves or opiates;
    - b. a compound, manufacture, salt, derivative or preparation of opium, coca leaves or opiates;
    - c. cocaine, its salts, optical and geometric isomers, and salts of isomers;
    - d. ecgonine, its derivatives, their salts, isomers and salts of isomers and;
    - e. a substance, and any compound, derivative, salt, manufacture or preparation thereof which is chemically identical to referred to in sections a-d of this paragraph;
    - f. amphetamines, any compound or derivatives;
    - g. non-medicinal cannabinoids, any derivatives and its compounds.
  3. “Inpatient Rehabilitation” - The process of providing residential diagnostic and treatment services on a regular basis
  4. “Outpatient Rehabilitation” - The process of providing non-residential diagnostic and treatment services on a semi-regular basis
  5. “Teachers Assistant” - Any individual who assists an instructor with regular responsibilities that relate to instructional, supervisory, or administrative

duties

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

1. Any persons attempting to obtain certification for a teaching position that have been convicted of a felony in relation to illegal narcotics shall not be granted said certification unless
  - a. Six (6) months of inpatient drug rehabilitation has been completed and
  - b. Two (2) years of outpatient drug rehabilitation has been started and completed by time the certification is obtained, after the satisfaction of sub subsection a. requirements and
  - c. The organization providing certification receives verification from a licensed medical provider that the person in question is at low risk of relapse and
  - d. All additional requirements for a teaching certification have been met.
2. Once the teaching certification has been acquired, all potential teachers with a prior narcotics-related conviction must spend six (6) months as a paid teacher's assistant during which they will be required to submit one clean drug test every two (2) months.
3. Any teacher with a prior conviction of a felony in relation to illegal narcotics shall submit a clean drug test on the first week of every month to continue teaching.
  - a. If the teacher presents a clean drug test every month for five (5) years with no discrepancies, the requirement will be changed to one (1) clean test per semester.
  - b. If the teacher fails to pass the drug test, they shall be allowed a three (3) day period to retest in order to verify the positive result.
  - c. If both the initial test and the retest are satisfactory, the teacher shall be immediately terminated and removed from contact with all students, and shall be unable to apply for a teaching certification again in the future.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 3-104.1 is amended to read as follows:

No person shall receive a certificate for instructional, supervisory or administrative position in an accredited school of this state who has been convicted of a felony, any crime involving moral turpitude ~~or a felony violation of the narcotic laws of the United States or the State of Oklahoma,~~ provided the conviction was entered within the preceding ten-year period.

Any person applying to receive a certificate for instructional, supervisory or administrative position with a previous felony violation of the narcotic laws of the United States or the State of Oklahoma will be subject to the requirements of Section three (3).

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-526

E. Russell (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to comprehensive health education; 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 “Oklahoma Healthy Youth” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Sexuality” – A person’s behaviors, desires, and attitudes related to sex or physical intimacy with others.
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” – Referring to biological physical differences between people who are male, female, or intersex.
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 an existing health instructor. If there is no existing health instructor, the individual school districts are authorized to hire a health instructor to teach this course.
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 in conjunction with The Oklahoma State Department of Education and The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, 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;
  - c. Curriculum must address mental and emotional health, including but not limited to recognizing issues, seeking help, and developing coping skills;
  - d. Curriculum must address the importance and benefits of nutrition and physical activity;
  - e. Curriculum must address illness and disease prevention;
  - f. Curriculum must address sexual health and education, including but not limited to the prevention of HIV/AIDS, reproductive health, awareness of sexual abuse and assault, and the practice of safe sex;
  - g. Curriculum must address risk behavior prevention, including but not limited to drug and alcohol use, violence, and aggression;
  - h. Curriculum must address social skills, including but not limited to building positive relationships, interpersonal skills, inclusion and acceptance, and healthy dating behaviors.
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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-527

Z. Russell (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 2024.
- 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 and 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 (3) 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 twelve dollars (\$12) 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 ten dollars (\$10) 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 six dollars (\$6) 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 (2) 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 five hundred (\$500) per employee, per pay period out of compliance for the first three (3) infractions and one thousand dollars ( \$1000) for all additional infractions.



2. 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.
3. 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 one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) per employee, per pay period out of compliance for the first three infractions and two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for all additional infractions. 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-528

Z. Russell (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public libraries; 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 “Make Libraries More Accessible” Act of 2024.

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

1. "Public library" means a library which provides customary services, without charge, to all the residents of a county, city or region and is supported whole or in part by public funds.
2. "Cooperative" means any joint effort by two (2) or more library systems to improve library service.
3. “Library Card” means a card issued by a library to individuals or organizations entitling them or their representatives to borrow materials.

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

1. All public libraries that are eligible to receive funding from the state or federal level are required to issue a statewide library card that grants access to check out books or other materials from all public libraries in the state.
2. All public libraries should offer an individual an application to complete to receive the statewide library card.
  - a. An individual under the age of eighteen (18) will need the permission and signature of a parent and/or guardian in order to obtain a statewide library card.
3. All public libraries must accept an online version of the unique barcode that an individual is assigned when applying for a statewide library card.

4. If an individual loses their card and does not have online access to the card, they must pay a five dollar (\$5.00) fee for any additional cards needed.
5. An individual will need to renew their library card every five (5) years after receiving their first statewide library card.
6. Any additional details and procedures will be left to the discretion of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a public library that receives state funding knowingly fails to follow the provisions of this bill and refuses to grant an individual a statewide library card;
  - a. Remedy a defective filing within sixty (60) days after notice of such a defect by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries; or
  - b. Comply with any other provision of this Act;
2. Shall, upon proof of such knowing violation by a preponderance of the evidence, be subject to a five percent (5%) loss of state funding, depending on the extent and gravity of the violation.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-529

Tate (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to intoxicating liquors; providing a short title; providing for definitions; amending 37A § O.S. 6-108v2-4; 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 2024.

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

1. Franchise stores – a series of stores owned by one company and selling the same merchandise nationally or internationally.
2. Hard liquor – alcoholic beverage that is produced through distillation.
3. Undistilled Liquor – alcohol that undergoes fermentation.

Section 3. AMENDATORY. 37A § O.S. 6-108v2-4 is amended to read as follows:

~~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:~~

- a. ~~"cash or debit card" means any instrument or device whether known as a debit card or by any other name, issued with or without fee by an issuer for the use of the cardholder in depositing, obtaining or transferring funds from a consumer banking electronic facility, and~~
- b. ~~"nationally recognized credit card" means any instrument or device, whether known as a credit card, credit plate, charge plate or by any other name, issued with or without fee by an issuer for the use of the cardholder in obtaining money, goods, services or anything else of value on credit which is accepted by over one hundred retail locations;~~

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-530

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” Act of 2024 (C.A.L.F).

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

1. Cattle – large ruminant animals with horns and cloven hoofs, domesticated for meat, milk, or work.
2. Seaweed – brominta, a form of red seaweed.
3. Bovaer – feed additive that suppresses enzymes that create methane and is broken down into compounds naturally present in the rumen.
4. 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 dollars (\$5,000) 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 regular diets can only be supplemented with Bovaer or seaweed based feed.
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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-531

Tate (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to military alert systems; 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 “Camo Alert” Act of 2024.

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

1. Veteran at Risk - A veteran or an active-duty member of the Armed Forces, National Guard, or a military reserve component of the United States who is known to have a physical or mental health condition, to include post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), that is related to his or her service.

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

1. There is established a state-wide alert system known as “Camo Alert” which shall be developed and implemented by the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.
2. The “Camo Alert” system may be activated when a “Veteran at Risk” has gone missing, and law enforcement personnel have determined that the “Veteran at Risk” may be a serious threat to themselves or the public.
3. Upon notification to law-enforcement agency by a family member or legal guardian of the “Veteran at Risk,” the director shall activate the “Camo Alert” system and notify appropriate participants in the “Camo Alert” system, as established by the rule, if:
  - a. A law enforcement agency believes that a “Veteran at Risk” poses a serious threat to themselves or to the public; and
  - b. Sufficient information is available to disseminate to the public that could assist in locating the suspect.
4. The director shall terminate any activation of the “Camo Alert” system with respect to a particular “Veteran at Risk” if:



- a. The “Veteran at Risk” is located or the incident is otherwise resolved;  
or
  - b. The director determines that the “Camo Alert” system is no longer an effective tool for locating the “Veteran at Risk.”
5. Any entity or individual involved in the dissemination of a “Camo Alert” generated pursuant to this section shall not be liable for any civil damages arising from that dissemination.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-532

Tynes (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to changing 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 2024.

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

1. Sweet Potato (*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:

Official state vegetable.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-533

Tynes (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to sheriff's department websites; 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 "County Sheriff's Department Websites" Act of 2024.

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

1. County Deputies- A person appointed by the county with the power to act in law enforcement.
2. Sheriff's Office Website- The website of a statutory/constitutional office having exclusive powers and authority under state law and or state constitution to enforce the law.
3. Undercover- working secretly using a false appearance or pseudonym in order to get information for the police or government.
4. Risk of Harm- there exists a direct and serious risk of physical harm to the individual or another person deemed at the discretion of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation.

Section 3. 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 4. PENALTIES

1. There shall be a one hundred dollar (\$100) fine per month to the County Departments who do not comply.

- a. These fines will be collected by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-534

Tynes (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to harm reduction; providing a short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 28 § O.S. 153; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Reducing Harm for All” Act of 2024.

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

1. Harm Reduction Programs - community-based prevention programs that provide a range of health services and life-saving resources to people who use drugs.
2. State dollars - Money allocated out of the Oklahoma State Budget.
3. Registered Providers- Providers who meet the requirements outlined 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:

1. A Harm Reduction Account shall be created for every county in the state of Oklahoma.
  - a. This account shall be managed and staffed by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse.
2. State dollars shall be eligible to be allocated for Harm Reduction Programs in the state of Oklahoma.
3. There shall be a harm reduction program in every county;
  - a. There shall be a harm reduction program per every eighty thousand (80,000) individuals in the state.
  - b. Counties with multiple programs shall distribute funds evenly amongst every program.
4. To receive allocated money, registered providers of harm-reduction services shall report the following, at least quarterly, to the State Department of Health:

- a. The number of clients served including basic demographic information;
  - b. Number and type of referrals provided;
  - c. Number of syringes, test kits and antagonists distributed;
  - d. Number of used syringes collected; and
  - e. Number of rapid HIV and viral hepatitis tests performed, including the number of reactive test results.
5. These programs shall be established by January 1, 2027.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 28 § O.S. 153 is amended to read as follows:

Costs in criminal cases

- A. The clerks of the courts shall collect as costs in every criminal case for each offense of which the defendant is convicted, irrespective of whether or not the sentence is deferred, the following flat charges and no more, except for standing and parking violations and for charges otherwise provided for by law, which fee shall cover docketing of the case, filing of all papers, issuance of process, warrants, orders, and other services to the date of judgment:
- 1. For each defendant convicted of exceeding the speed limit by at least one (1) mile per hour but not more than ten (10) miles per hour, whether charged individually or conjointly with others.....\$77.00
  - 2. For each defendant convicted of a misdemeanor traffic violation other than an offense provided for in paragraph 1 or 5 of this subsection, whether charged individually or conjointly with others.....\$98.00
  - 3. For each defendant convicted of a misdemeanor, other than for driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance or an offense provided for in paragraph 1 or 2 of this subsection, whether charged individually or conjointly with others.....\$93.00
  - 4. For each defendant convicted of a felony, other than for driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance, whether charged individually or conjointly with others.....\$103.00
  - 5. For each defendant convicted of the misdemeanor of driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance, whether charged individually or conjointly with others.....\$433.00

- 6. For each defendant convicted of the felony of driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance, whether charged individually or conjointly with others.....\$433.00
  - 7. For the services of a court reporter at each preliminary hearing and trial held in the case.....\$20.00
  - 8. For each time a jury is requested.....\$30.00
  - 9. A sheriff's fee for serving or endeavoring to serve each writ, warrant, order, process, command, or notice or pursuing any fugitive from justice
    - a. within the county.....\$50.00, or mileage as established by the Oklahoma Statutes, whichever is greater, or
    - b. outside of the county.....\$50.00, or actual, necessary expenses, whichever is greater
- B. In addition to the amount collected pursuant to paragraphs 2 through 6 of subsection A of this section, the sum of Six Dollars (\$6.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Law Library Fund pursuant to Section 1201 et seq. of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- C. In addition to the amount collected pursuant to subsection A of this section, the sum of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) shall be assessed and collected in every traffic case for each offense other than for driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance; the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) shall be assessed and collected in every misdemeanor case for each offense; the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) shall be assessed and collected in every misdemeanor case for each offense for driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance; the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be assessed and collected in every felony case for each offense; and the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be assessed and collected in every felony case for each offense for driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance.
- D. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to subsections A and B of this section, the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Oklahoma Court Information System Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 1315 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

- E. In addition to the amount collected pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 6 of subsection A of this section, the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Sheriff's Service Fee Account in the county in which the conviction occurred for the purpose of enhancing existing or providing additional courthouse security.
- F. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 6 of subsection A of this section, the sum of Three Dollars (\$3.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Office of the Attorney General Victim Services Unit.
- G. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 6 of subsection A of this section, the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Harm Reduction Account housed under the Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.
- ~~G.~~ H. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 6 of subsection A of this section, the sum of Three Dollars (\$3.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account. This fee shall not be used for purposes of hiring or employing any law enforcement officers.
- ~~H.~~ I. In addition to the amount collected pursuant to paragraphs 5 and 6 of subsection A of this section, the sum of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) shall be assessed in every misdemeanor or felony case for each offense of driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance and credited to the Oklahoma Impaired Driver Database Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 11-902d of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- ~~I.~~ J. Prior to conviction, parties in criminal cases shall not be required to pay, advance, or post security for the issuance or service of process to obtain compulsory attendance of witnesses.
- ~~J.~~ K. The amounts to be assessed as court costs upon filing of a case shall be those amounts above-stated in paragraph 3 or 4 of subsection A and subsections B, C, D and E of this section.
- ~~K.~~ L. The fees collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the court fund, except the following:
  - 1. A court clerk issuing a misdemeanor warrant is entitled to ten percent (10%) of the sheriff's service fee, provided for in paragraph 9 of subsection A of this section, collected on a warrant referred to the contractor for the misdemeanor warrant notification program governed by Sections 514.4 and 514.5 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes. This ten-percent sum shall be deposited into the issuing Court Clerk's Revolving Fund, created pursuant to Section 220 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes, of the court clerk issuing the warrant with the



balance of the sheriff's service fee to be deposited into the Sheriff's Service Fee Account, created pursuant to the provisions of Section 514.1 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes, of the sheriff in the county in which service is made or attempted. Otherwise, the sheriff's service fee, when collected, shall be deposited in its entirety into the Sheriff's Service Fee Account of the sheriff in the county in which service is made or attempted;

2. The sheriff's fee provided for in Section 153.2 of this title;
3. The witness fees paid by the district attorney pursuant to the provisions of Section 82 of this title which, if collected by the court clerk, shall be transferred to the district attorney's office in the county where witness attendance was required. Fees transferred pursuant to this paragraph shall be deposited in the district attorney's maintenance and operating expense account;
4. The fees provided for in subsection C of this section shall be forwarded to the District Attorneys Council Revolving Fund to defray the costs of prosecution; and
5. The following amounts of the fees provided for in paragraphs 2, 3, 5 and 6 of subsection A of this section, when collected, shall be deposited in the Trauma Care Assistance Revolving Fund, created pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-2530.9 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes:
  - a. Ten Dollars (\$10.00) of the Ninety-eight-Dollar fee provided for in paragraph 2 of subsection A of this section,
  - b. Ten Dollars (\$10.00) of the Ninety-three-Dollar fee provided for in paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section,
  - c. One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of the Four-HundredThirty-three-Dollar fee provided for in paragraph 5 of subsection A of this section, and
  - d. One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of the Four-HundredThirty-three-Dollar fee provided for in paragraph 6 of subsection A of this section.

~~L.~~ M. As used in this section, "convicted" means any final adjudication of guilt, whether pursuant to a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or otherwise, and any deferred judgment or suspended sentence.

~~M.~~ N. A court clerk may accept in payment for any fee, fine, forfeiture payment, cost, penalty assessment or other charge or collection to be assessed or collected by a court clerk pursuant to this section a nationally recognized credit card or debit card or other electronic payment method as provided in paragraph 1 of subsection B of Section 151 of this title.

~~N.~~ O. Upon receipt of payment of fines and costs for offenses charged prior to July 1, 1992, the court clerk shall apportion and pay Thirteen Dollars (\$13.00) per conviction to the court fund.

~~Θ.~~ P. The fees provided for in subsection G. of this section shall be forwarded to the Harm Reduction Account to increase awareness and prevent overdose.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-535

Waters (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Red Dye 40” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Red Dye 40” is a synthetic food dye found in candy, sports drinks, and other foods.
2. “Retail Food Establishment” is defined as any establishment that sells food products directly to a customer.

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

1. Foods and drinks containing Red Dye 40 will be prohibited from sale, due to its harmful effect on developing humans.
2. All retail food establishments will be required to dispose of products containing Red Dye 40 by November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
  - a. Proper disposal of products containing Red Dye 40 may be any way in which the establishment deems fit.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Retail food establishments found selling food products containing Red 40 will be subject to a fine of no less than fifty dollars (\$50).
  - a. A fine will be issued to retail food establishments found selling products containing Red Dye 40 and will continue to be fined fifty dollars (\$50) on the first of each month until they can prove that they no longer have such items in stock.

- b. A six (6) month grace period will be extended to retailers, starting November 1st and ending May 1st. Where fines will continue to stack upon each other every month. However, if retail food establishments are able to provide proof that products containing Red Dye 40 are no longer sold at their establishment, the fines will be waived.
- c. The goal of this fine is not to place a large financial burden on food providers but to create a small obstacle that will make the sale of food products containing Red Dye 40 more difficult.

Section 5. This act shall become effective on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-536

Whittington (OSU)  
Gaddis (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to standardized testing for homeschooled children; 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 “Yearly Standardized Testing for Homeschooled Children” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. Homeschooled Children - Children ages five (5) through eighteen (18) not enrolled in an accredited or charter school, completing schooling at home.
  2. Accredited School - An official certification from the State that schools receive showing they meet academic standards.
  3. Standardized Testing - Yearly testing over state-approved curriculum.
  4. State-Approved Curriculum - The current academic standards set by The Oklahoma State Department of Education: reading, writing, math, science, citizenship, the U.S. Constitution, health, safety, physical education, computer science, and conservation.
  5. Yearly Testing - Annual testing over the State-Approved curriculum, to be completed online by the first week of June.
  6. Academic Standards Specialists Department- A department within the Oklahoma State Department of Education that receives and interprets data collected from standardized testing within public schools.
  7. Educational Neglect- A parent's failure to ensure their child’s educational needs are being met defined by the Government of Oklahoma.
  8. Additional Educational Resources - Handouts or take-home activities from the school district that give the child ways to improve their knowledge in a specific area.

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

1. All homeschooled children shall be required to complete yearly online proctored testing to prevent cheating from May 1<sup>st</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup>.
2. The proctoring method will utilize an online system that records the student while they take the test.
3. The standardized tests shall be the Oklahoma School Testing Program (OSTP) set by the Oklahoma Department of Education and shall cover the State-Approved Curriculum.
  - a. The state-approved curriculum shall include the subjects of reading, writing, math, science, citizenship, the US Constitution, health, safety, physical education, computer science, and conservation.
4. The purpose of standardized testing shall be to ensure that homeschooled students are not facing educational neglect and receiving an education.
5. Test results will be sent to the Oklahoma State Department of Education to be compiled and evaluated by academic standards specialists within the department to see which percentile they fall under.
6. Scores that are under the fiftieth (50<sup>th</sup>) percentile of students within their age range will be given additional educational resources.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Scores that are under the twenty-fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) percentile of students within their age range will require the child and their guardian to meet with the district superintendent.
2. Scores that are under the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) percentile of students within their age range will be flagged by the academic standards specialists as concerning low and Child Protective Services will be called for them to evaluate if the child is receiving proper care and education.
3. Families who fail to submit the test by the date of June 1<sup>st</sup> will receive a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

Section 5. This act shall become effective the first week of September after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OSU-537

Whittington (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the required training; 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 “Required (LETRS) Training” Act of 2024.

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

1. LETRS - Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling.
2. Professional Training - School strategies for providing educators with the knowledge and skills necessary to enable student success.
3. Public Education - a primary or secondary school that educates all students without charge.
4. Teacher - a person who helps pupils learn and develop their knowledge, capabilities, values, and attitudes.
5. School Budget Allocation - The process of the Oklahoma State Department of Education reviewing a district's plan for the upcoming year as related to anticipated revenues and expenditures, and funding the district the appropriate amount of money needed.

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

1. All public school kindergarten through third (K-3) educators will be required to complete the LETRs training annually before the start of the school year.
2. This training is already provided to public school educators through the Oklahoma Science of Reading Academies which is a free, high-quality, job-embedded professional learning and has been funded by the American Recovery Plan.
3. By completing the Science of Reading Academies, educators will gain a better understanding of how to meet the needs of students in their classrooms.

4. Educators will receive an email with information and login access to the online portal. Educators will also receive two print books that accompany the online modules. These books will be shipped to the district office of participating educators.
5. Towards the end of each unit, educators will participate in a live session with a facilitator. Some of the eight live sessions may be offered in-person and last six (6) hours, and other live sessions will be virtual and divided into two (2) three (3) hour sessions. Sessions will also be offered in the evenings and on the weekends for those who desire that option.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Penalties of not completing the LETRS training will be up to the discretion of the school district.
2. Each educator not receiving the training will be recorded and tracked to be used during school budget allocation for the next year.

Section 5. This act shall become effective the 2025-2026 school year after passage and approval.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Internal Bill No. OSU-538

Castro (OSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to use of derogatory words; 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 “We’re not Nerds” Act of 2024.

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

1. No one: Any individual present in the house chambers.
2. Nerd or Nerds: A loser or losers.

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

1. No one is allowed to speak, write, and use the word “Nerd” or “Nerds” in any language in the house chambers at all times.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If an individual or individuals are caught using the word “Nerd” or “Nerds” in house chambers then they must use a microphone in house chambers and publicly say “I’m sorry for using the word ‘Nerd/Nerds’ we’re not nerds in this organization.”

Section 5. This act shall become effective at the gaveling of the 1st session of the 56th Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature after passage.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OKWU-501

Molder (OKWU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to gun legislation; providing short title; amending 21 O.S. § 1290.9; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Every Adult Can Conceal Carry” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1290.9 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall be unlawful for any person to carry upon or about his or her person, or in a purse or other container belonging to the person, any pistol, revolver, shotgun or rifle whether loaded or unloaded or any blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, metal knuckles, or any other offensive weapon, whether such weapon be concealed or unconcealed, except this section shall not prohibit:
1. The proper use of guns and knives for self-defense, hunting, fishing, educational or recreational purposes;
  2. The carrying or use of weapons in a manner otherwise permitted by statute or authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act;
  3. The carrying, possession and use of any weapon by a peace officer or other person authorized by law to carry a weapon in the performance of official duties and in compliance with the rules of the employing agency;
  4. The carrying or use of weapons in a courthouse by a district judge, associate district judge or special district judge within this state, who is in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and whose name appears on a list maintained by the Administrative Director of the Courts;
  5. The carrying and use of firearms and other weapons provided in this subsection when used for the purpose of living history reenactment. For purposes of this paragraph, "living history reenactment" means

depiction of historical characters, scenes, historical life or events for entertainment, education, or historical documentation through the wearing or use of period, historical, antique or vintage clothing, accessories, firearms, weapons, and other implements of the historical period; or

- ~~6. The carrying of a firearm, concealed or unconcealed, loaded or unloaded, by a person who is twenty-one (21) years of age or ENR. H. B. NO. 2597 Page 4 older or by a person who is eighteen (18) years of age but not yet twenty-one (21) years of age and the person is a member or veteran of the United States Armed Forces, Reserves or National Guard or was discharged under honorable conditions from the United States Armed Forces, Reserves or National Guard, and the person is otherwise not disqualified from the possession or purchase of a firearm under state or federal law and is not carrying the firearm in furtherance of a crime.~~
7. The carrying of a firearm, concealed or unconcealed, loaded or unloaded, by a person who is eighteen (18) years of age.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OKWU-502

Walcher (OKWU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to higher education diversity, equity, and inclusion programs and departments; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; 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 “Abolish DEI In Higher Education” Act of 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

1. “DEI” refers to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
2. “DEI Program” refers to a government program that grants preferential treatment based on one person’s particular race, color, sex, ethnicity, or national origin over another’s

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

1. Prohibited Expenditures:
  - A. An Oklahoma College System institution, state university, Oklahoma College System institution direct-support organization, or state university direct-support organization may not expend any funds, regardless of source, to purchase membership in, or goods and services from, any organization that discriminates on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or religion.
  - B. An Oklahoma College System institution, state university, Oklahoma College System institution direct-support organization, or state university direct-support organization may not expend any state or federal funds to prompt, support, or maintain any programs or campus activities that:
    - i. Advocates for diversity, equity, and inclusion, or promotes or engages in political or social activism, as defined by the

Governor of Oklahoma.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Those who violate these guidelines may be expelled from their line of duty and 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 6. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Section 7. 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House No. SNU-501

Brezillac (SNU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to paid maternity leave; providing short title; amending 74 O.S. § 840-2.20D(A); and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. § 840-2.20D(A) is amended to read as follows:

- A. Any full-time employee of this state who has been employed by the state agency for at least two (2) years prior to the request for leave shall be entitled to ~~six (6)~~ twelve (12) weeks of paid maternity leave following the birth or adoption of the employee's child.

Section 2. This amendatory act shall be effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SNU-002

Ponce (SNU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to driver licenses; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 21 O.S. § 1550.42; amending 26 O.S. § 4-109.3; amending 47 O.S. § 6-103; amending 47 O.S. § 6-106; amending 47 O.S. § 6-114; amending 47 O.S. § 6-115; amending 47 O.S. § 6-122; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Driver Licenses” Act of 2024.

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

1. Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) - as defined by the IRS, 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 (SSN) from the Social Security Administration (SSA).

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

1. Service Oklahoma will allocate space in the lower left-hand corner of the front of a driver's license issued to an applicant who provided an individual tax identification number, for the phrase "Federal Limits Apply." This phrase, designed by Service Oklahoma, will highlight the limits of using this drivers license for identification purposes that stretch beyond state matters.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1550.42 is amended to read as follows:

- A. The following entities may create, publish or otherwise manufacture an identification document, identification card, or identification certificate and may possess an engraved plate or other such device for the printing of such

identification; provided, the name of the issuing entity shall be clearly printed upon the face of the identification:

1. Businesses, companies, corporations, service organizations and federal, state and local governmental agencies for employee identification which is designed to identify the bearer as an employee;
2. Businesses, companies, corporations and service organizations for customer identification which is designed to identify the bearer as a customer or member;
3. Federal, state and local government agencies for purposes authorized or required by law or any legitimate purpose consistent with the duties of such an agency, including, but not limited to, voter identification cards, driver licenses, nondriver identification cards, passports, birth certificates and social security cards;
4. Any public school or state or private educational institution, as defined by Sections 1-106, 21-101 or 3102 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to identify the bearer as an administrator, faculty member, student or employee;
5. Any professional organization or labor union to identify the bearer as a member of the professional organization or labor union; and
6. Businesses, companies or corporations which manufacture medical-alert identification for the wearer thereof.

~~B. All identification documents as provided for in paragraph 3 or 4 of subsection A of this section shall be issued only to United States citizens, nationals and legal permanent resident aliens.~~

~~C. The provisions of subsection B of this section shall not apply when an applicant presents, in person, valid documentary evidence of:~~

- ~~1. A valid, unexpired immigrant or nonimmigrant visa status for admission into the United States;~~
- ~~2. A pending or approved application for asylum in the United States;~~
- ~~3. Admission into the United States in refugee status;~~
- ~~4. A pending or approved application for temporary protected status in the United States;~~
- ~~5. Approved deferred action status; or~~
- ~~6. A pending application for adjustment of status to legal permanent residence status or conditional resident status. Upon approval, the applicant may be issued an identification document provided for in paragraph 3 or 4 of subsection A of this section. Such identification document shall be valid only during the period of time of the authorized stay of the applicant in the United States or, if there is no definite end to the period of authorized stay, a period of one (1) year.~~



~~Any identification document issued pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall clearly indicate that it is temporary and shall state the date that the identification document expires. Such identification document may be renewed only upon presentation of valid documentary evidence that the status by which the applicant qualified for the identification document has been extended by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services or other authorized agency of the United States Department of Homeland Security.~~

~~D. The provisions of subsection B of this section shall not apply to an identification document described in paragraph 4 of subsection A of this section that is only valid for use on the campus or facility of that educational institution and includes a statement of such restricted validity clearly and conspicuously printed upon the face of the identification document.~~

~~E. Any driver license issued to a person who is not a United States citizen, national or legal permanent resident alien for which an application has been made for renewal, duplication or reissuance shall be presumed to have been issued in accordance with the provisions of subsection C of this section; provided that, at the time the application is made, the driver license has not expired, or been cancelled, suspended or revoked. The requirements of subsection C of this section shall apply, however, to a renewal, duplication or reissuance if the Department of Public Safety is notified by a local, state or federal government agency of information in the possession of the agency indicating a reasonable suspicion that the individual seeking such renewal, duplication or reissuance is present in the United States in violation of law. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to United States citizens, nationals or legal permanent resident aliens.~~

Section 5. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. § 4-109.3 is amended to read as follows:

A. When a qualified elector applies for issuance or renewal of an Oklahoma driver license, or issuance of a state identification card issued pursuant to Section 6-105 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, he or she shall be provided voter registration services as required by the National Voter Registration Act. The person shall be asked whether he or she wishes to register to vote or to change his or her address for voting purposes. A person who declines to register shall confirm such choice in writing or by electronic means. Completed electronic voter registration applications shall be electronically transmitted by the agency accepting the application to the State Election Board or county election board. Completed paper voter registration applications shall be transmitted by the agency accepting the application at the

close of business each week to the State Election Board in preaddressed, postage prepaid envelopes provided by the State Election Board. If a person registers or declines to register to vote, the office at which the person submits the voter registration application or the fact that the person declined to register shall remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.

- B. No voter registration services shall be offered to any person who, at the time of an application for issuance or renewal of an Oklahoma driver license or state identification card, provides documentation that shows that the person is not a citizen of the United States. The Secretary of State Election Board will receive information such as the name, date of birth, residential address, and mailing address of all applicants or licensees of non-U.S. citizens or those who provided an individual tax identification number for the purpose of comparing this list with registered voters in each county. The Secretary of State Election Board will notify the secretary of any relevant county of matches based on the identifying information provided. The secretary of the relevant county will notify the corresponding authority pursuant to Section 16-123 of this title to investigate whether there was a violation of voting crimes or voting registration.
- C. A change of address for an Oklahoma driver license or state identification card submitted by a registered voter shall also serve as a change of address for voter registration purposes if the new address is within the same county where the voter is registered to vote. If the new address is outside the county where the voter is currently registered to vote, the voter shall be sent a notice and application with instructions for registering to vote at the new address. A change of address for an Oklahoma driver license or state identification card shall not be used to update a voter registration address if the registrant states in writing or by electronic means that the change of address is not for voter registration purposes.
- D. Licensed operators shall receive fifty cents (\$0.50) per valid paper voter registration application or application for change in voter registration taken by themselves and employees of the licensed operator's office taken at the licensed operator's office, payable by the State Election Board.
- E. Service Oklahoma shall notify the Secretary of the State Election Board of licensed operator appointments. Service Oklahoma shall notify the Secretary of the State Election Board of licensed operators qualified to issue driver licenses.
- F. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall promulgate rules and procedures to implement the requirements of this section.

Section 6. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 6-103 is amended to read as follows:

A. Except as otherwise provided by law, Service Oklahoma shall not issue a driver license to:

1. Any person who is under eighteen (18) years of age, except that Service Oklahoma may issue a Class D license to any person who attains sixteen (16) years of age on or after August 15, 2000, and meets the requirements of ~~Sections Section 6-105 and 6-107.3~~ Section 6-105 of this title;
2. Any unemancipated person who is under eighteen (18) years of age and whose custodial legal parent or legal guardian does not approve the issuance of a license as required by Section 6-110.2 of this title or objects to the issuance of a license or permit by filing an objection pursuant to Section 6-103.1 of this title;
3. Any person whose driving privilege has been suspended, revoked, canceled or denied in this state or any other state or country until the driving privilege has been reinstated by the state or country withdrawing the privilege;
4. Any person who is classified as an excessive user of alcohol, any other intoxicating substance, or a combination of alcohol and any other intoxicating substance, and inimical to public safety, in accordance with rules promulgated by the Department, until all requirements granting or reinstating driving privileges are met, including, but not limited to, abstinence from the use of alcohol, any other intoxicating substance, or any combination of alcohol and any other intoxicating substance for a minimum of either twelve (12) months or eighteen (18) months, as determined by OAC 595:10-5, immediately preceding application for or application for reinstatement of driving privileges;
5. Any person who is required by Section 6-101 et seq. of this title to take an examination, unless the person shall have successfully passed the examination;
6. Any person who is required under the laws of this state to deposit proof of financial responsibility and who has not deposited such proof;
7. Any person who is physically deformed or who is afflicted with any mental disease or physical condition that would impair the driving ability of the person or when the Commissioner of Public Safety, from information concerning the person or from the records and reports on file in the Department of Public Safety, determines that the operation of a motor vehicle by such person on the highways would be inimical to public safety or welfare;
8. Any person who is a nonresident, as defined in Section 1-137 of this

title;

9. Any alien unless such person presents valid documentation of identity ~~and either by presenting an~~ authorization for presence in the United States issued pursuant to the laws of the United States; provided, no license shall be issued to any alien whose documentation indicates the alien is a current visitor or ~~is not eligible to establish residency;~~ or proof of having filed a state tax return for the most recent year
  10. Any person who possesses a valid license to operate a motor vehicle issued by another state until the other state license has been surrendered.
- B. Any applicant who is denied a license under the provisions of subsection A of this section shall have the right to an appeal as provided in Section 6-211 of this title.

Section 7. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 6-106 is amended to read as follows:

- A. 1. Every application for a driver license or identification card shall be made by the applicant upon a form furnished by Service Oklahoma.
2. Every original, renewal, or replacement application for a driver license or identification card made by a male applicant who is at least sixteen (16) but less than twenty-six (26) years of age shall include a statement that by submitting the application, the applicant is consenting to registration with the Selective Service System. The pertinent information from the application shall be forwarded by Service Oklahoma to the Data Management Center of the Selective Service System in order to register the applicant as required by law with the Selective Service System. Any applicant refusing to sign the consent statement shall be denied a driver license or identification card.
3. Except as provided for in subsections G and H of this section, every applicant for a driver license or identification card shall provide to Service Oklahoma at the time of application a document showing proof of identity. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules prescribing forms of primary and secondary identification acceptable for an original Oklahoma driver license.
  - B. Every applicant for a driver license shall provide the following information:
    1. Full name;
    2. Date of birth;
    3. Sex;
    4. Address of principal residence and county of such residence which shall be referenced on the REAL ID Compliant Driver License or Identification Card; proof of principal residency, as

prescribed by rules promulgated by Service Oklahoma,  
documenting provided address;

5. Current and complete mailing address to be maintained by Service Oklahoma for the purpose of giving notice, if necessary, as required by Section 2-116 of this title;
6. Medical information, as determined by the Department, which shall assure Service Oklahoma that the person is not prohibited from being licensed as provided by paragraph 7 of subsection A of Section 6-103 of this title;
7. Whether the applicant is deaf or hard-of-hearing;
8. A brief description of the applicant, as determined by the Department;
9. Whether the applicant has previously been licensed, and, if so, when and by what state or country, and whether any license has ever been suspended or revoked, or whether an application has ever been refused, and, if so, the date of and reason for the suspension, revocation or refusal;
10. Whether the applicant is an alien eligible to be considered for licensure and is not prohibited from licensure pursuant to paragraph 9 of subsection A of Section 6-103 of this title;
11. Whether the applicant has:
  - a. previously been licensed and, if so, when and by what state or country, and
  - b. held more than one license at the same time during the immediately preceding ten (10) years; and
12. Social Security number or an individual tax identification number issued by the United States Internal Revenue Service.

No person shall request Service Oklahoma to use the Social Security number of that person as the driver license number. Upon renewal or replacement of any driver license issued after the effective date of this act, the licensee shall advise Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator if the present driver license number of the licensee is the Social Security number of the licensee. If the driver license number is the Social Security number, Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator shall change the driver license number to a computer-generated alphanumeric identification.

- C. 1. In addition to the requirements of subsections A and B of this section, every applicant for a commercial driver license who is subject to the requirements of 49 C.F.R., Part 391, and is applying for an original, renewal, or replacement license, and every person who, upon or after May 8, 2012, is currently the holder of a commercial driver license and is subject to the requirements of 49

C.F.R., Part 391, and who does not apply for a renewal or replacement license prior to January 30, 2014, shall submit to Service Oklahoma and maintain with Service Oklahoma a current approved medical examination certificate signed by a licensed physician authorized to perform and approve medical examination certifications. Service Oklahoma shall adopt rules for maintaining medical examination certificates pursuant to the requirements in 49 C.F.R., Parts 383 and 384. Any commercial driver licensee subject to the requirements of this paragraph who fails to maintain on file with Service Oklahoma a current, approved medical examination certificate shall have the driving privileges of the person downgraded to a Class D driver license by Service Oklahoma.

2. If the applicant is applying for an original commercial driver license in Oklahoma or is transferring a commercial driver license from another state to Oklahoma, Service Oklahoma shall review the driving record of the applicant in other states for the immediately preceding ten (10) years, unless the record review has already been performed by Service Oklahoma. As a result of the review, if it is determined by Service Oklahoma that the applicant is subject to a period of disqualification as prescribed by Section 6-205.2 of this title which has not yet been imposed, Service Oklahoma shall impose the period of disqualification and the applicant shall serve the period of disqualification before a commercial driver license is issued to the applicant; provided, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the issuance of a Class D driver license to the applicant.
  3. If the applicant has or is applying for a hazardous material endorsement, the applicant shall submit to a security threat assessment performed by the Transportation Security Administration of the Department of Homeland Security as required by and pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 1572, which shall be used to determine whether the applicant is eligible for the endorsement pursuant to federal law and regulation.
  4. Service Oklahoma shall notify each commercial driving school of the passage of this section, and each commercial driving school shall notify prospective students of its school of the hazardous material endorsement requirement.
- D. In addition to the requirements of subsections A and B of this section, every applicant shall be given an option on the application for issuance of a driver license or identification card or renewal pursuant to Section 6-115 of this title to provide an emergency contact person. The emergency contact information requested may include full name, address, and phone number. The emergency

contact information shall be maintained by Service Oklahoma and shall be used by Service Oklahoma and law enforcement for emergency purposes only. A person listed as an emergency contact may request to be removed at any time. Any update to a change of name, address, or phone number may be made by the applicant listing the emergency contact person or by the person listed as the emergency contact.

- E. Whenever application is received from a person previously licensed in another jurisdiction, Service Oklahoma shall request a copy of the driving record from the other jurisdiction and, effective September 1, 2005, from all other jurisdictions in which the person was licensed within the immediately previous ten (10) years. When received, the driving record shall become a part of the driving record of the person in this state with the same force and effect as though entered on the driver's record in this state in the original instance.
- F. Whenever Service Oklahoma receives a request for a driving record from another licensing jurisdiction, the record shall be forwarded without charge.
- G. A person shall not apply for or possess more than one state-issued or territory-issued REAL ID Compliant Driver License or Identification Card pursuant to the provisions of Section 6-101 of this title. A valid and unexpired Oklahoma driver license shall serve as both primary and secondary proofs of identity whenever application for a REAL ID Noncompliant Identification Card is submitted to Service Oklahoma. The provisions of subsection B of Section 1550.42 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall not apply when issuing an identification card pursuant to the provisions of this subsection. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this subsection.
- H. A valid and unexpired ~~U.S.~~ of any country passport shall serve as both primary and secondary proofs of identity whenever application for a driver license or identification card is submitted to the Department. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this subsection.

Section 8. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 6-114 is amended to read as follows:

- A. 1. In the event that a driver license is lost, destroyed, or requires the updating of any information, restriction or endorsement displayed thereon, the person to whom such license was issued may obtain a replacement thereof pursuant to the provisions of subsection G of Section 6-101 of this title, and upon payment of the required fee. ~~If the person is an alien, the person shall appear before Service Oklahoma or a licensed operator and, after furnishing primary and secondary proofs of identity as required in this section, shall be issued a~~

~~replacement driver license for a period which does not exceed the lesser of:~~  
~~a. the expiration date of the license being replaced, or~~  
~~b. the expiration date on the valid documentation authorizing the presence of the person in the United States, as required by paragraph 9 of subsection A of Section 6-103 of this title.~~

2. The cost of a replacement license shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00), of which:
  - a. Two Dollars (\$2.00) shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title,
  - b. Three Dollars (\$3.00) shall be remitted to the State Treasurer to be credited to the General Revenue Fund,
  - c. Five Dollars (\$5.00) shall be credited to the Department of Public Safety Computer Imaging System Revolving Fund to be used solely for the purpose of administering and maintaining the computer imaging system of the Department through October 31, 2022. Beginning November 1, 2022, Five Dollars (\$5.00) shall be credited to the Service Oklahoma Computer Imaging System Revolving Fund to be used solely for the purpose of administering and maintaining the computer imaging system of Service Oklahoma,
  - d. Ten Dollars (\$10.00) shall be credited to the Revolving Fund of the Department of Public Safety through October 31, 2022. Beginning November 1, 2022, the Ten Dollars (\$10.00) shall be credited to the Service Oklahoma Revolving Fund,
  - e. Three Dollars (\$3.00) shall be deposited to the State Public Safety Fund created in Section 2-147 of this title, and
  - f. (1) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of the fee authorized by this paragraph related to the replacement of a driver license by a licensed operator that does not process approved applications or renewals for REAL ID Compliant Driver Licenses or Identification Cards shall be deposited, in addition to the amount authorized by subparagraph e of this paragraph, to the State Public Safety Fund created in Section 2-147 of this title, or (2) Two Dollars (\$2.00) of the fee authorized by this paragraph related to the replacement of a driver license by a licensed operator that does process approved applications or renewals for REAL ID Compliant Driver Licenses or Identification Cards shall be retained by the licensed operator through June 30, 2023. Beginning July 1, 2023, these monies shall be retained by the licensed operator pursuant to subsection E of Section 1141.1 of this title.
3. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules prescribing forms of primary and secondary identification acceptable for replacement of an Oklahoma driver



license; provided, however, a valid and unexpired U.S. passport shall be acceptable as both primary and secondary identification.

B. Any person desiring to add or remove an endorsement or endorsements or a restriction or restrictions to any existing driver license, when authorized by Service Oklahoma, shall obtain a replacement license with the endorsement or endorsements or the restriction or restrictions change thereon and shall be charged the fee for a replacement license as provided in subsection A of this section.

Section 9. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 6-115 is amended to read as follows:

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, every driver license shall be issued for a period of either four (4) years or eight (8) years; provided, if the applicant or licensee is an ~~alien~~ provides an individual tax identification number per section 6-106 of this title, the license shall be issued for a period which does not exceed the lesser of:
1. Four (4) years or eight (8) years; ~~or~~
  2. ~~The expiration date on the valid documentation authorizing the presence of the applicant or licensee in the United States, as required by paragraph 9 of subsection A of Section 6-103 of this title.~~
- B. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the expiration date of an initial license shall be no more than either four (4) years or eight (8) years from the last day of the month of issuance or no more than either four (4) years or eight (8) years from the last day of the birth month of the applicant immediately preceding the date of issuance, if requested by the applicant.
- C. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the expiration date of a renewal license shall be:
1. For a renewal during the month of expiration, either four (4) years or eight (8) years from the last day of the month of expiration of the expiring license or either four (4) or eight (8) years from the last day of the birth month of the licensee immediately preceding the expiration date of the expiring license, if requested by the licensee; or
  2. For a renewal prior to the month of expiration, as provided by rule of Service Oklahoma, either four (4) or eight (8) years from the last day of the month of expiration of the current license; provided, no license shall be issued with an expiration date of more than five (5) years from the date of renewal on a four (4) year license or nine (9) years from the date of renewal on an eight (8) year license.
- D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection E of Section 1550.42 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, any Oklahoma driver license that is not more than

one (1) year past the date of expiration provided on the driver license shall be presumed to be a valid form of identification for the purposes of renewing an Oklahoma driver license.

- E. Except as otherwise provided in this section, every driver license shall be renewable by the licensee upon application to either Service Oklahoma or a licensed operator, furnishing the current mailing address of the person and payment of the required fee, if the person is otherwise eligible for renewal. If the licensee is an ~~alien~~ an applicant who has previously been issued a driver's license after providing evidence of filing a state tax return as per Section 6-103 and an individual tax identification number as per Section 6-106 of this title, then, the licensee shall appear before a driver license examiner of Service Oklahoma or a licensed operator, at which point they must present evidence of filing a state tax return for each year from the issuance of the license up to the year before the license's expiration, and shall be issued a renewal driver license for a period which does not exceed the lesser of:
1. Four (4) years or eight (8) years; ~~or~~
  2. ~~The expiration date on the valid documentation authorizing the presence of the applicant or licensee in the United States, as required by paragraph 9 of subsection A of Section 6-103 of this title.~~
- F. All applicants for renewals of driver licenses who have proven collision records or apparent physical defects may be required to take an examination as specified by Service Oklahoma.
- G. When a person makes application for a driver license, or makes application to renew a driver license, and the person has been convicted of, or received a deferred judgment for, any offense required to register pursuant to the Sex Offenders Registration Act, the driver license shall be valid for a period of one (1) year from the month of issuance, but may be renewed yearly during the time the person is registered on the Sex Offender Registry. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the cost for such license shall be the same as for other driver licenses and renewals.
- H. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules prescribing forms of identification acceptable for the renewal of an Oklahoma driver license.

Section 10. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. § 6-122 is amended to read as follows:

Service Oklahoma may develop procedures whereby driver licenses issued under the provisions of Section 6-101 et seq. of this title may be renewed or replaced by the applicant by mail or online except for licenses to be renewed or replaced by aliens by applicants who have previously shown evidence of filing a state tax return and possessing an individual tax identification number as prescribed by

subsection E of Section 6-115 of this title. Any license issued pursuant to this section shall be valid for a period as prescribed in Section 6-115 of this title. Service Oklahoma shall not renew or replace a license by mail or online unless the immediately preceding issuance, renewal or replacement was done in person by the applicant.

Provided, any person or the spouse or dependent of a person:

1. Who is on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States; or
2. Who is currently employed as a civilian contractor with the Armed Forces of the United States, living outside of Oklahoma and having a valid Class D driver license issued by the State of Oklahoma, requiring no material change, may apply for no more than three consecutive renewals or replacement of such license by mail or online, in accordance with Service Oklahoma rules. A fourth consecutive renewal or replacement must be done in person.

Section 11. This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SE-501

Robinson (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to school activities; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for purpose and intent; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Putting the O into OSSAA” Act of 2024

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

1. “Agency” means any board, commission, department, authority, bureau, office or other entity created with authority to make rules or formulate orders as defined in the Administrative Procedures Act.
2. "Secondary school" shall mean a public or private school subject to the school laws of Oklahoma engaged in the education of students for any of grades seven through twelve.

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

- A. The Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association shall become the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency, a sub-department that will be ran by Oklahoma State Department of Education.
  - i. Schools must be represented and funded by the Oklahoma State Department of Education to participate in events hosted and funded by the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Agency.
- B. The Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency shall be allocated funding through the Oklahoma State Department of Education
  - i. Funds shall be appropriated between the different areas of the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency.
  - ii. Proceeds gained at Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency events shall be given to the state to fund further events and

projects.

iii. Requests for Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency event funding can be made through the Board of Directors.

C. The Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association shall merge all contracts to the Oklahoma State Department of Education to form and maintain order of the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency.

i. All contracts that are currently in effect for current and future events shall remain in place.

Including but not limited to:

1. Media Contracts
2. Facility Contracts
3. Employment Contracts
4. Licensing Contracts

D. The Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency shall be comprised of but not limited to the following faculty members:

i. Seventeen (17) Board of Directors district representatives:

1. Three (3) Northeast Area Representatives
2. Three (3) Northwest Area Representatives
3. Three (3) Central Area Representatives
4. Three (3) Southeast Area Representatives
5. Three (3) Southwest Area Representatives
6. One (1) Statewide Representative
7. One (1) Licensed Physician recognized by the Oklahoma State Department of Health

ii. Seven (7) Intermediate Appeals Panel Representatives:

1. Northeast Area Representative
2. Northwest Area Representative
3. North-Central Area Representative
4. Central Area Representative
5. South-Central Area Representative
6. Southeast Area Representative
7. Southwest Area Representative

iii. Sixteen (16) staff members

1. One (1) Executive Director
2. One (1) Executive Assistant
3. One (1) Accountant
4. Four (4) Administrative Assistants
5. Six (6) Academic Eligibility / Sports Directors
6. One (1) Director of Officials
7. One (1) Director of Media Relations

- 8. One (1) Director of Facilities
  - iv. Miscellaneous employees needed to facilitate events hosted by the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency
- E. The Oklahoma State Department of Education shall adopt all rules and regulations of the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association Constitution into the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Agency Constitution.
  - i. Amendments to rules and regulations must go through due process to be written into the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency Constitution.
  - ii. The Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency Board of Directors has rights to bring up any matters deemed necessary to maintain a proper function.
  - iii. The Intermediate Appeals Panel shall act as an appellate court for the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Agency members.

Section 4. The purpose and intent of the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Agency:

- A. Ensure that secondary school activities - including the schedule of interscholastic events and competitions in which its member schools may compete - are effectively coordinated, led, supervised, and regulated.
- B. Carry out any other relevant duties that the membership and the Board of Directors may from occasionally authorize and adopt.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SE-502

Hansen (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to penalties for sex offenders; 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 “Pedophilia Penalties” Act of 2024.

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

1. Medical Castration: the administration of a drug or surgical procedure to bring about a marked reduction in the body's production of certain hormones to reduce the sexual urges of sex offenders. These procedures can include but are not limited to:
  - a) medroxyprogesterone acetate, or other chemical equivalents
  - b) Surgical removal of organs to reduce sex hormone production

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

1. Any person designated a Level 3 sex offender pursuant to O.S. 57 §57-582.5, in which the victim has not attained 13 years of age, shall, within one week prior to parole or completion of their incarceration sentence, be subject to medical castration
2. The offender shall be required to provide verification of the efficacy of the medical castration in accordance with criteria determined by the Department of Corrections sex offender level assignment committee as established in 57 OK Stat § 582.5 (2022)
  - A. Verification shall be provided at the same time address verification is required pursuant to 57 OK Stat § 584 5c (2022)

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SE-503

Spears (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to Sports Betting; 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 “Sports Betting” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Better,” means a person who is:
  - a. Twenty-one (21) years of age or older;
  - b. Physically present in this state when placing a Wager.
2. “Sports Book” means a company or individual that accepts bets from individual sports betters.

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

1. In Compliance with Title 3A. Amusements and Sports
2. It shall be legal for a resident of Oklahoma State who falls under the definition of “Better” pursuant to Section 2 to place wagers on an authorized Sports Book.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SWOSU-501

Gordon (SWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to school education pay; providing short title; amending 40 O.S. § 165.2; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Education Pay Transition Act” Act of 2024.

Section 2. AMENDATORY 40 O.S. § 165.2 is amended to read as follows:

Every employer in this state shall pay all wages due their employees, other than exempt employees and employees of nonprivate foundations qualified pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 509(a)(1) and 26 U.S.C. 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), at least twice each calendar month on regular paydays designated in advance by the employer. State, county and municipal employees, exempt employees, school district employees, technology center school district employees and employees of nonprivate foundations qualified pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 509(a)(1) and 26 U.S.C. 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) shall be paid a minimum of ~~once~~ twice each calendar month. The amount due such employees shall be paid in lawful money of the United States including the payment by electronic means, and the employee shall not be deemed to have waived any right or rights mentioned in this section because of any contract to the contrary. Each employer in this state, in its discretion, may pay all wages due to an employee by deposit on the payday at a financial institution of the employee’s choice or, if the employee does not consent or designate a financial institution, to a payroll card account. With each payment of wages earned by such employee, the employer shall issue to such employee a brief itemized statement of any and all deductions therefrom. An interval of not more than eleven (11) days may elapse between the end of the pay period worked and the regular payday designated by the employer. The employer shall be allowed three (3) days after such payday in which to comply with this section.

Section 3. This act shall become effective the next fiscal school year after passage and approval.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SWOSU-502

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 2024.

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 at the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SWOSU-503

Kennedy (SWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to period in prisons; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; 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 “Menstrual Decency” Act of 2024.

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

1. Period Products- pads, tampons, and period underwear.
2. Prison- a building in which people are legally held as a punishment for a crime they have committed or while awaiting trial to hold them for a year or more.
3. Jail- a place for the confinement of people accused or convicted of a crime to hold them for up to a year.

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

1. All prisons must have a fully stocked cabinet of usable period products of all sizes which must be freely available to inmates whenever they use the restroom.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Prisons found to be in violation of this law will receive a penalty fine of five thousand five hundred forty-four dollars (\$5,544), not to exceed seven thousand dollars (\$7,000).

Section 5. FUNDING

Products will be purchased with money from the prisons’ current spending budget.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. SWOSU-504

Stewart (SWOSU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to school storm shelters; providing short title; 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 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for 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 2045.
  - B ) Fifty percent (50%) must be completed by 2055.
  - C ) One hundred percent (100%) must be completed by 2070.
  - D ) Creation of the “Hunker Down” grant.
1. This grant may be used to build or update storm shelters by FEMA ICC 500 standard.
2. The grant amount given to a school district will be provided by the Department of Public Safety.
3. Each district must provide a construction and funding plan to submit to be eligible for this grant.
4. 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 is 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-501

April (OU)  
Mott (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to motor vehicle disability placard; 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 “Maternity Placards ” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Physician” means any person holding a valid license to practice medicine and surgery by the state in which they perform.
2. “Physician assistant” means any person holding a valid advanced practice physician license to practice medicine.
3. “Physical disability” means an illness, disease, injury, or condition by reason of which a person:
  - a. cannot walk two hundred (200) feet without stopping to rest
  - b. cannot walk without the use of or assistance from a brace, can, crutch, another person, prosthetic device, wheelchair or other assistance device
  - c. is restricted to such an extent that the person’s forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one (1) second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one (1) liter, or the arterial oxygen tension is less than sixty (60) mm/hg on room air at rest
  - d. must use portable oxygen
  - e. is severely limited in the person’s ability to walk due to an arthritic, neurological or orthopedic condition, or from complications due to pregnancy
  - f. is certified legally blind, or is missing one or more limbs
  - g. is up to six (6) months postpartum

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

1. Any person who is pregnant that is experiencing symptoms caused by pregnancies after the first trimester are eligible to apply for a temporary detachable placard issued by Service Oklahoma.

2. Service Oklahoma shall issue a yellow temporary placard to any person who has given birth within the past six (6) months provided the person requesting the temporary placard submits a birth certificate or record of birth for the child and a valid Oklahoma driver license, a valid Oklahoma identification card, or other proof of principal residency in the state, as prescribed by rules promulgated by Service Oklahoma. The temporary placard for the person shall expire six (6) months after the date of birth listed on the submitted birth certificate or record of birth.
3. Service Oklahoma shall issue a detachable placard indicating a physical disability to any person who submits an application on a form distributed by Service Oklahoma and certified by a physician or physician assistant attesting that the applicant has a physical disability. The physician or physician assistant shall denote "temporary" as the type of placard requested and shall indicate an expiration date which the physician estimates the date of termination of such physical disability.
4. Any placard issued by Service Oklahoma shall remain valid until:
  - a. The placard expires.
  - b. The person to whom the placard was issued requests a replacement placard.
  - c. The placard is no longer needed by the person to whom the placard was issued for the disability for which the placard was originally issued, whereupon such placard shall be returned to Service Oklahoma.
5. A temporary placard shall indicate the expiration date which the physician or the physician assistant certifying the physician disability estimates to be the date of termination of such physical disability, which shall not be later than six (6) months from the date of issuance and upon which date such placard shall expire and shall be returned to Service Oklahoma.
6. In the event that a placard is lost or destroyed, the person to whom such placard was issued may apply in writing to Service Oklahoma for a replacement placard, Service Oklahoma shall issue with the same expiration date as the original placard.
7. The placard should be expected to be delivered to the person it was requested by within twenty (20) business days of submitting the application.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-502

April (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to sexual assault resources; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; 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 “Sexual Assault Victims Right To Resources” Act of 2024.

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 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.
  - 6a. 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 all 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. FUNDING

1. 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.
2. 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.
  - 2a. The distribution of the Sexual Assault Evidence Collection kits 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 or the Office on Violence Against Women in the Department of Justice.
3. Any health care facility or university that is unable to immediately receive funding from the United States Department of Justice will not be automatically penalized and subjected to the penalties listed.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-503

Benitez (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This Act shall be known as the "Surrogacy Employment Protection Act" of 2024.

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

1. "Surrogacy": the act of gestation and giving birth to a child for another person or couple in exchange for remuneration.
2. "Gestating Person": Any person who agrees to gestate and give birth to a child through surrogacy employment.
3. "Federal Minimum Wage for Surrogacy": The minimum wage established by the federal government for surrogacy employment, which shall be seven dollars and twenty-five cents (\$7.25) per hour, applied twenty-four (24) hours a day from the day of fertilization until the day of birth of the child.

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

1. Surrogacy employment shall be recognized as a legitimate form of employment within the State of Oklahoma.
2. Pregnant persons who engage in surrogacy employment shall be entitled to receive competitive compensation for the services of a surrogate mother.
  - a. Surrogates must be compensated no less than the federal minimum wage for surrogacy;
  - b. The salary of a surrogate must be provided by the employer, person, or people who contract the services of the surrogate person.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person or entity that violates the provisions of this Act shall be subject to penalties as determined by law, including fines and possible criminal charges. Surrogacy by being recognized as a form of employment must be protected as under Oklahoma Minimum Wage Act.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-504

Cash (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to the trial reunification period; 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 “Trial Reunification” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Trial Reunification Period” refers to the allotted amount of time for a child to return to their biological or previously removed home under the jurisdiction of the court and subject to the review of (a) DHS worker(s).
2. “DHS” is the Department of Human Services that offers a wide variety of social services to citizens of Oklahoma.
3. “Family therapy” is a mandated therapy appointment that requires the attendance of all members of the family who reside in the home, and additionally any relevant individuals subject to the judgment of the DHS worker.
4. “Weekly visit” is a visit once a week that is required by the state of Oklahoma. A DHS worker is required to spend a minimum of thirty (30) minutes in a trial reunification home within these visits.
5. “Surprise visit” is a visit to a home in the trial reunification period by a DHS worker, that the family is unaware of.
6. “Foster family” is the family that a child has been or was placed with during their stay in the system.

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

1. The trial reunification period shall last no less than six (6) months, but may be extended beyond the six (6) month period.

2. During the trial reunification period, the court shall mandate family therapy. Family therapy sessions are required to be held once a week while in the trial reunification period, as well as required in order for the family to regain custody rights. The sessions are required to be held with a licensed therapist, provided by the state, who is able to identify potentially dangerous behaviors, and who will report to the court any concerning behaviors that he/she might observe.
3. During the trial reunification period, homes are subject to mandated weekly visits once a week by a licensed DHS worker. The family is subject to as many surprise visits as the DHS worker deems necessary. The DHS worker is not required to notify the family before their surprise visits but must attempt coordination for weekly visits, to ensure there is contact between the DHS and the family at least once a week.
4. The state mandates two (2) visits from the foster family in the home or in a mutual meeting location every month during the trial reunification period. These visits may last anywhere from thirty (30) minutes to two (2) hours depending on the trusted judgment of the DHS worker. The DHS worker may attend these meetings if deemed necessary by his/her judgment, or by the judgment of the department, but is not required to do so. The foster family is enabled to report any concerning behavior to the DHS worker, or to the district court in which the jurisdiction of the case lies.

#### Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If parents fail to attend family therapy three times in a row without explicit communication and/or documentation presented to a caseworker, the caseworker shall consider the removal of children from custody of the parents or an extension of the trial reunification period depending on the severity of the case.
2. If caseworkers/family therapists suspect parents may be engaging in acts of abuse or child endangerment, they shall consider removal of the children from the custody of their parents

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-505

Cash (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to schools; providing 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 “Current Events and Citizenship” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Current events” is the relevant history to Oklahoma high schoolers within the past twenty (20) years, as well as all current events that are relevant and available for study. This class is intended to study the era-defining social and political events on the state, national, and global scale, from an impartial perspective allowing students to form their own opinions and ideas.
  2. “Citizenship” is all topics and matters where knowledge is necessary for one to be an involved member of society. The topic of citizenship encompasses voting laws, rights, civic duties, taxes, and community engagement.
  3. “Grade appropriate” means that the quality of and ability of work, as well as its contents, is appropriate for students in a specified grade.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. Beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, public schools in the state of Oklahoma shall require high school students to take a “current events and citizenship class,” in order to graduate. This class includes instruction on the following topics
    - a. Current events and recent history that are relevant to the students, and necessary for their futures to be well educated on, from an impartial

stance that will allow students to form their own opinions using their logic and facts presented in the class.

- b. Citizenship, which teaches students what it means to vote, how to do so, and all of the matters in which they as citizens after the age of eighteen (18) have respective duties in participation. This also includes other civic duties such as jury duty, taxes, and community engagement.

2. The state Department of Education shall:

- a. Develop and make available to public schools all resources related to implementing a two (2)-semester current events and citizenship class with grade-appropriate instruction and;
- b. Develop and implement high-quality professional learning opportunities for teachers.
- c. Provide new and updated curriculum guidelines every five (5) years that are flexible and allow teachers to incorporate current events.

Section 4. It is immediately necessary for the public good, in that the future members of society who by the power of the Oklahoma constitution, as well as the constitution of the United States, are necessary for the proper function of our government.

Section 4. This act shall become effective in the 2025-2026 school year, after passage and approval.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-506

Cly (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to conversion therapy; 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 “Conversion Therapy” Act of 2024.

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

1. Conversion therapy: The pseudoscientific practice of attempting to change an individual's sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression to align with heterosexual and cisgender norms. Methods that have been used to this end include forms of brain surgery, surgical or hormonal castration, aversive treatments such as electric shocks, nausea-inducing drugs, hypnosis, counseling, spiritual interventions, visualization, psychoanalysis, and arousal reconditioning.

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

1. No person or establishment shall practice conversion therapy.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person, or doctor, therapist, psychiatrist found in violation of this law is to be fined four hundred thousand (\$400,000) dollars and license revocation of medical or psychiatric practice.
2. Any establishment found in violation of this law is to be fined eight hundred thousand (\$800,000) dollars.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-507

Garcia (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to social media; 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 “Social Media Wellness” Act of 2024.

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

1. Social Media: Interactive technologies that facilitate the creation, sharing and aggregation of content, ideas, interests, and other forms of expression.

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

1. The Department of Health shall determine if Social Media platforms are implementing practices that are healthy for users by temporarily shutting down platforms that do not abide by the following parameters:
  - a. Social Media platforms may not use personal data to deliberately create an addictive product.
  - b. Social Media designers may not deliberately design an addictive product aimed at teenagers.
  - c. Social Media platforms may not use addictive and habit-forming techniques to maximize user engagement.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. If a social media app is found breaking the parameters they would have to pay a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5000) to the state and restructure their app in accordance with the parameters.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-508

Helms (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to sexual health education in public schools; 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 2024.
- 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 O.S. § 70-11-103.3 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-509

Hunt (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to weekend incarceration; providing a short title; repealing 22 O.S. § 991a-2; amending 22 O.S. § 911a-4.; amending 22 O.S. § 911a-17; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Section 1. This act shall be known as the “Saturdays are For the Boys” Act of 2024.

Section 3. REPEALER 22 O.S. § 991a-2 is hereby repealed:

~~Nonviolent felony offenders – County jail imprisonment – Fines and costs.~~

~~A. Any person who has been convicted of a nonviolent felony offense in this state may be sentenced, at the discretion of the judge, to incarceration in the county jail for a period of one or more nights or weekends with the remaining portion of each week being spent under supervision. County jail imprisonment pursuant to the provisions of this section for felony offenders shall be:~~

~~1. Prescribed by law for the particular felony; or~~

~~2. A condition of a suspended sentence.~~

~~B. In addition to incarceration, the court may impose any fine, cost assessment, or other punishment provision allowed by law; provided, however, the punishment when taken in its entirety with the jail term shall not impose a greater punishment than allowed by law for the offense.~~

~~C. Any person incarcerated in the county jail pursuant to the provisions of this section may be assigned work duties as ordered or approved by the judge. The sentencing court may require a person incarcerated pursuant to the provisions of this section to pay the county, for food and maintenance for each day of incarceration, an amount equal to the maximum amount prescribed by law to be paid by the county to the sheriff for such expenses. If the judge does not so order, the Department of Corrections shall reimburse the county for the cost of feeding and care of the person during such periods of incarceration.~~

~~D. Any person incarcerated pursuant to the provisions of this section shall not be considered to be in the custody of the Department of Corrections or an inmate of the Department. The person shall be deemed to be in the custody of the county.~~

~~E. When the court sentences a person to incarceration pursuant to the provisions of this section in conjunction with a suspended sentence, the court shall have the authority to revoke any unserved portion of the suspended sentence as provided by law.~~

~~F. For the purposes of subsection A of this section, weekend incarceration shall commence at 6 p.m. on Friday and continue until 8 a.m. on the following Monday, and incarceration overnight shall commence at 6 p.m. on one day and continue until 8 a.m. of the next day. Provided, that the sentencing judge may modify the incarceration times if the circumstances of the particular case require such action. Persons who have been sentenced to incarceration in the county jail under the provisions of this section will not have to be processed through the Lexington Assessment and Reception Center prior to incarceration.~~

Section 4. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. § 911a-4.1 is amended to read as follows:

A. There is hereby re-created the “Community Service Sentencing Program”. This program is a continuation of the program established in 1988 by Section 991a-4 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The purpose of the program shall be to provide an alternative to incarceration for nonviolent felony offenders who would normally be sentenced to incarceration in a state institution.

B. Any eligible offender may be sentenced, at the discretion of the judge, to a Community Service Sentencing Program pursuant to the provisions of this section. For purposes of this section, “eligible offender” shall mean any person who:

1. Is not participating in the Delayed Sentencing Program for Young Adults pursuant to the provisions of Sections 996 through 996.3 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
2. Has not previously been convicted of two or more felonies;
3. Has been convicted of a nonviolent felony offense which shall be defined as any felony offense except assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, aggravated assault and battery on a law officer, poisoning with intent to kill, shooting with intent to kill, assault with intent to kill, assault with intent to commit a felony, murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, manslaughter in the first degree, manslaughter in the second degree, kidnapping, burglary in the first degree, kidnapping for extortion, maiming, robbery, child beating, wiring any equipment, vehicle, or structure with explosives, forcible sodomy, rape in the first degree or rape by instrumentation, lewd or indecent proposition or lewd or indecent act with a child under sixteen (16) years of age, use of a firearm or



offensive weapon to commit or attempt to commit a felony, pointing firearms, rioting or arson in the first degree;

4. Has properly completed and executed all necessary documents; and 5. Is not otherwise ineligible by law or court rule.

C. The Department of Corrections shall administer the Program, except in counties with a population of five hundred fifty thousand (550,000) or more persons that operate an existing program. The Department shall conduct a presentence investigation pursuant to the provisions of Section 982 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes if the court determines the offender is to be assigned to the Program. As part of such presentence investigation, the Department shall interview the offender and advise the offender of the requirements and conditions of the Program. The Department shall recommend an assignment of the offender to any one or combination of the following areas:

1. Community service, with or without compensation;

2. Education, vocational-technical education or literacy programs;

3. Substance abuse treatment programs;

4. Periodic testing for the presence of controlled substances;

5. Psychological counseling or psychiatric treatment;

6. Medical treatment;

7. Restitution, to be paid either to the victim of the offense or to the Crime Victims Compensation Revolving Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 142.17 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~8. Confinement in a county jail for a period not to exceed one (1) year, night or weekend incarceration pursuant to the provisions of Section 991a-2 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes or incarceration by the Department of Corrections; provided, the Department of Corrections shall reimburse a county which does not receive payments from any other source for the cost of the necessary expenses of such persons during periods of such incarceration in an amount not to exceed Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per day and any county receiving such payments in an amount not to exceed Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per day. The Department shall reimburse the county for the actual cost paid for any emergency medical care for physical injury or illness of such persons if the county is required by law to provide such care for inmates in the jail. The reimbursements provided by this section shall not exceed the cost that would have accrued to the state for the feeding, care or medical care of the persons had they been incarcerated with the Department. Except as otherwise provided by law, all provisions of the Oklahoma Corrections Act of 1967, Section 501 et seq. of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall apply to such persons;~~

~~including but not limited to any provisions requiring payment by such persons of the costs of incarceration; or~~

~~98. Probation or conditional probation.~~

D. In counties with a population of five hundred fifty thousand (550,000) or more persons that operate an existing program, the Department of Corrections is hereby authorized to reimburse the county sheriff, pursuant to paragraph 8 of subsection C of this section, the cost of necessary expenses for confinement in the county jail for any eligible offender as defined in subsection B of this section. Such reimbursement shall be subject to appropriation by the Legislature. The Department may promulgate rules and procedures for submitting claims for reimbursements.

E. The judge shall consider the criminal history of the offender, the nature of the offender's criminal conduct, the employment and family history of the offender and any other factors the judge deems relevant when sentencing persons to the Program. Following the presentence investigations and recommendation, the judge shall impose sentence. The judge may accept the recommendation, with or without modifications thereto, or may reject the recommendation and impose any sentence allowed by law.

F. The provisions of Sections 20, 58.3, 138, 138.1 and 224 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes and Section 615 of Title 69 of the Oklahoma Statutes and any other provisions of law relating to earned credits for certain acts or service shall not apply to persons participating in the Program. The judge may establish a schedule of earned credits as part of the sentence.

G. The Department shall establish a list of federal, state and local government agencies, community service agencies, nonprofit organizations, educational programs and other treatment programs willing to participate in the program to which offenders may be referred. The Department shall periodically contact agencies, organizations and programs to which offenders are assigned to determine if offenders have reported and performed satisfactorily. Any such agency or program shall immediately notify the Department if an offender fails to fulfill any requirement of the Program. The Department or the sentencing judge may require additional documentation of the offender's work performance.

H. The Department shall ensure that the sentencing judge and prosecuting attorney are notified in writing when an offender has successfully completed the assigned community service hours or other requirements of the Program or has failed to complete the requirements and provide any other relevant information required by the sentencing judge or prosecuting attorney.

I. All state and local government agencies, community service agencies, nonprofit organizations, educational programs and other treatment programs participating in the Program are hereby immune from liability for any offender participating in the

Program under the Workers' Compensation Act, Section 1 et seq. of Title 85 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and for torts committed by or against any offender participating in the Program to the extent specified in Sections 227 and 228 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

J. Any offender participating in the Program shall be advised of the provisions of this section and shall, in writing, acknowledge that the offender has been advised of and understands the provisions of the Program.

Section 5. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. § 911a-17 is amended to read as follows:

Whenever a person is convicted of an offense enumerated in Section 445 of this act in which the victim is elderly or incapacitated, the court shall upon conviction:

1. Commit the defendant for confinement as provided by law; provided, the first thirty (30) days of the sentence shall not be subject to probation, suspension or deferral; provided further, this mandatory minimum period of confinement shall be served in the county jail as a condition of a suspended or deferred sentence, pursuant to Section 991a of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes and ~~may be served by night or weekend incarceration pursuant to Section 991a-2 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and~~
2. a. Require restitution be paid to the victim for out-of pocket expenses, loss or damage to property and medical expenses for injury proximately caused by the conduct of the defendant pursuant to Section 447 of this act, or  
b. Assign the offender to perform a required term of community service, according to a schedule consistent with the employment and family responsibility of the person convicted, or  
c. Require restitution as provided in subparagraph a of this paragraph and community service as provided in subparagraph b of this paragraph; and
3. The court may further impose a fine or any other penalty otherwise provided by law.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-510

Hunt (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to homeschooling; providing a short title; providing for definitions; amending 10A O.S. § 1-4-205; amending 70 O.S. § 1210.508; 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 “Homeschool Oversight Measures Enforcement” or “HOME” Act of 2024

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

1. “Homeschooling” shall be defined as instruction primarily received in the home or family unit, directed by the parent or guardian.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. § 1-4-205 is amended to read as follows:

A. The office of the district attorney and the Department of Human Services shall maintain records concerning a child in protective custody who is released prior to the emergency custody hearing. The records shall describe the reason for such release.

B. 1. A petition for a deprived child proceeding shall be filed and a summons issued within seven (7) judicial days from the date the child is taken into custody unless, upon request of the district attorney at the emergency custody hearing, the court determines there are compelling reasons to grant additional time for the filing of the petition for a period of time not to exceed fifteen (15) calendar days from the assumption of custody.

2. If a petition is not filed as required by this subsection, the emergency custody order shall expire. The district attorney shall submit for filing in the court record a written record specifying the reasons why the petition was not filed and specifying to whom the child was released.

C. The court may hold additional hearings at such intervals as may be determined necessary by the court to provide for the health, safety, or welfare of the child.

D. In scheduling hearings, the court shall give priority to proceedings in which a child is in emergency custody.

E. An order of the court providing for the removal of a child alleged to be deprived from the home of the child shall not be entered unless the court makes a determination:

1. That continuation of the child in the child's home is contrary to the health, safety, or welfare of the child; and

2. As to whether or not reasonable efforts were made to prevent the need for the removal of the child from the child's home; or

3. As to whether or not an absence of efforts to prevent the removal of the child from the child's home is reasonable because the Oklahoma Statutes - Title 10A. Children and Juvenile Code Page 63 removal is due to an alleged emergency and is for the purpose of providing for the health, safety, or welfare of the child; or

4. That reasonable efforts to provide for the return of the child to the child's home are not required pursuant to Section 1-4- 809 of Title 10A of the Oklahoma Statutes; provided, however, upon such determination, the court shall inform the parent that a permanency hearing will be held within thirty (30) days from the determination.

F. On or before the school district start date, parents making the decision to choose homeschooling shall submit a letter of intent to the Department of Human Services. The letter of intent shall include the parent's or parents' names and Social Security number, the child's or children's names, the home address, the names of any other individuals living within the home, the names of any associated individuals or organizations assisting with the child's or children's schooling, and a brief statement for the decision of schooling.

G. Any change to or from the decision to homeschool or change school districts, whether a result of a move or otherwise, shall require a subsequent letter of intent containing the information outlined in subsection F of this section.

H. When the Department of Human Services receives a letter of intent, it shall perform an initial background check on parents, other adults within the home, and any adults assisting in the children's schooling.

I. The Department shall maintain a system to conduct biannual checks of the database and compile a database of individuals, facilities, and organizations that perform and assist with homeschooling.

J. Requests to pursue instruction in the home shall not be authorized if there is a pending child abuse or neglect investigation against either custodial parent or a person instructing the child, or if either custodial parent or a person instructing the child has ever been convicted of domestic violence or child abuse or neglect.

K. If the request for home-based educational instruction is denied by the Department, an explanation for the denial shall be furnished in writing to the applicant by the Department.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. § 1210.508 is amended to read as follows:

A. 1. By no later than December 31, 2016, the State Board of Education shall adopt a statewide system of student assessments in compliance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as reauthorized and amended by P.L. No. 114-95, also known as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

2. The statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board pursuant to this subsection shall be aligned with the Oklahoma Academic Standards as adopted by the Board and which prepare students for college and careers.

B. 1. The Board shall issue a request for proposals for the selection of assessments to be administered to students in grades three through twelve as a part of the statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board pursuant to this section.

2. The Board shall adopt assessments from the selected proposals that were submitted pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection. The adopted assessments shall be administered by the Board for a period that is in coordination with the six-year subject area textbook adoption cycle unless the vendor does not fulfill the terms of the contract or fails to comply with or violates the terms of the contract. The Board shall administer the assessments beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

C. The statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board pursuant to this section shall include assessments that:

1. Are aligned with the Oklahoma subject matter standards as adopted by the Board;
2. Provide a measure of comparability among other states;
3. Yield both norm-referenced scores and criterion-referenced scores;
4. Have a track record of statistical reliability and accuracy; and
5. For assessments administered in high school, provide a measure of future academic performance.

D. For the 2016-2017 school year, the Board shall administer assessments in:

1. English Language Arts or Reading and Mathematics in grades three through eight and at least once in high school, during the grade span of nine through twelve;
2. Science not less than once during each grade span of three through five, six through nine and ten through twelve; and
3. United States History not less than once during the grade span of nine through twelve.

E. 1. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the statewide student assessment system shall include assessments in:

- a. English Language Arts and Mathematics in grades three through eight and at least once in high school, during the grade span of nine through twelve,
- b. Science not less than once during each grade span of three through five, six through nine and ten through twelve, and
- c. United States History, with an emphasis on civics, not less than once during the grade span of nine through twelve.

2. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the statewide student assessment system may include:

- a. assessments in Reading and Writing in certain grades as determined by the Board, and
- b. contingent upon the availability of funds, an additional nationally recognized college- and career-readiness assessment or assessments as recommended by the State Department of Education which will be administered to students in high school at no cost to the student.

F. 1. Beginning with students entering the ninth grade in the 2017-2018 school year, each student shall take the assessment or assessments included in the statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board pursuant to subsection A of this section in order to graduate from a public high school with a standard diploma. All students shall take the assessment or assessments prior to graduation, unless otherwise exempt by law.

2. Beginning with students entering the ninth grade in the 2017-2018 school year, each student, in addition to taking the assessment or assessments included in the statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board pursuant to subsection A of this section, shall meet any other high school graduation requirements adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 5 of Enrolled House Bill No. 3218 of the 2nd Session of the 55th Oklahoma Legislature in order to graduate from a public high school with a standard diploma.

3. For students who start the ninth grade prior to or during the 2016-2017 school year, school districts shall adopt a plan that establishes the assessment or assessments those students are required to take in order to graduate from a public

high school with a standard diploma. The plan may also include any or all of the other high school graduation requirements adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 5 of Enrolled House Bill No. 3218 of the 2nd Session of the 55th Oklahoma Legislature that those students will be required to meet in order to graduate from a public high school with a standard diploma.

4. The Board shall promulgate rules to ensure that students who transfer into an Oklahoma school district from out-of-state after the junior year of high school shall not be denied the opportunity to be awarded a standard diploma due to differing testing requirements.

G. 1. Beginning with the 2024-2025 school year:

a. a student who attends a private school accredited by the State Board of Education or another accrediting association, or

b. a student who is educated pursuant to the other means of education

exception provided for in subsection A of Section 10-105 of this title, and for whom a taxpayer has successfully claimed a tax credit pursuant to the Oklahoma Parental Choice Tax Credit Act created in Section 28-100 of this title shall be administered the assessments required by subsection E of this section.

2. The assessments shall be administered at a state-certified testing facility during the assessment window dates as established in subsection K of this section.

3. If a student declines to complete the assessments required pursuant to this subsection, the taxpayer who successfully claims a tax credit pursuant to the Oklahoma Parental Choice Tax Credit Act shall repay the tax credit to the Oklahoma Tax Commission no later than sixty (60) days after the assessment window dates are concluded.

¶ H. In order to provide an indication of the levels of competency attained by the student in a permanent record for potential future employers and institutions of higher education, school districts shall report on the high school transcript of the student the highest-achieved score on the assessment or assessments included in the statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board pursuant to subsection A of this section and any business- and industry-recognized endorsements attained.

¶ I. Students who do not perform at a proficiency level on assessments shall be remediated as established in the assessment requirements adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 5 of Enrolled House Bill No. 3218 of the 2nd Session of the 55th Oklahoma Legislature, subject to the availability of funding.

¶ J. 1. All assessments required by this section shall measure academic competencies in correlation with the subject matter standards adopted by the Board pursuant to Sections 11-103.6 and 11-103.6a of this title and referred to as the Oklahoma Academic Standards. The State Board of Education shall evaluate the subject matter standards to ensure the competencies reflect high standards, are



specific, well-defined, measurable, challenging, and will prepare elementary students for next-grade-level course work and secondary students for postsecondary studies at institutions of higher education or technology center schools without the need for remediation. All subject matter standards shall reflect the goals as set forth in Section 11-103.6 of this title and of improving the state average ACT score.

2. The State Department of Education shall annually evaluate the results of the assessments. The State Board of Education shall ensure that preliminary results for all statewide assessments are reported to districts no later than June 20 of each year and are presented in a manner that yields detailed, diagnostic information for the purpose of guiding instruction and student remediation. As improvements are made to the assessments required by this section, the Board shall seek to increase the depth of knowledge assessed for each subject. The State Board of Education shall seek to ensure that data yielded from the assessments required in this section are utilized at the school district level to inform instruction, professional development, school improvement and remediation for students.

3. The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability shall determine the cut scores for the performance levels on all statewide assessments. The Commission shall conduct an ongoing review to compare the statewide assessment content and performance descriptors with those of other states. Upon receipt of the review, the Commission may adjust the cut scores as necessary.

4. The State Board of Education, for the purposes of conducting reliability and validity studies, monitoring contractor adherence to professionally accepted testing standards, and providing recommendations for testing program improvement, shall retain the services of an established, independent agency or organization that is nationally recognized for its technical expertise in educational testing but is not engaged in the development of aptitude or achievement tests for elementary or secondary level grades. These national assessment experts shall annually conduct studies of the reliability and validity of the statewide assessments administered pursuant to this section. Validity studies shall include studies of decision validity and concurrent validity.

¶ K. 1. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules setting the assessment window dates for each statewide assessment so that the assessments are administered according to recommended testing protocols, and so that the assessment results are reported back to school districts in a timely manner. The vendor shall provide a final electronic data file of all school site, school district, and state results to the State Department of Education and the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability prior to August 20 of each year. The Department shall forward the final data files for each school district and each school site in that district to the school district. The Board shall ensure the

contract with the vendor includes a provision that the vendor report assessment results directly to the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability at the same time it is reported to the Board.

2. State, district, and site level results of all assessments required in this section shall be disaggregated by gender, race, ethnicity, disability status, migrant status, English proficiency, and status as economically disadvantaged, except that such disaggregation shall not be required in a case in which the number of students in a category is insufficient to yield statistically reliable information or the results would reveal personally identifiable information about an individual student. Each school site shall notify the student's parents of the school's performance levels in the Oklahoma School Testing Program as reported in the Oklahoma Educational Indicators Program at the end of each school year.

~~K~~ L. The State Board of Education shall be responsible for the field-testing and validation of the statewide assessment system required in subsection A of this section.

~~E~~ M. The State Board of Education shall develop, administer, and incorporate as a part of the Oklahoma School Testing Program, other assessment programs or procedures, including appropriate accommodations for the assessment of students with disabilities as required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C., Section 1400 et seq.

~~M~~ N. For purposes of developing and administering alternate assessments for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities, the State Board of Education shall not be subject to subsections D and E of Section 11-103.6a of this title.

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

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House Bill No. OU-511

Hunt (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to firearms; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; amending 21 O.S. § 1272; 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 “Hell Yes We’re Gonna Take Your Guns” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Assault weapon” refers to any firearm which is:
  - (a) A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle with the capacity to accept a detachable feeding device and includes any of the following features: (i) a folding or telescopic stock; (ii) a thumbhole stock or pistol grip; (iii) a forward grip or second handgrip or protruding grip that can be held by the non-trigger hand; (iv) a threaded barrel designed to accommodate a flash suppressor or muzzle break or similar feature; or (v) a shroud that encircles either all or part of the barrel designed to shield the bearer’s hand from heat, excluding a slide that encloses the barrel.
  - (b) A semiautomatic pistol with the capacity to accept a detachable feeding device and includes any of the following features: (i) the capacity to accept a feeding device that attaches to the pistol outside of the pistol grip; (ii) a second handgrip or a protruding grip that can be held by the non-trigger hand; (iii) a threaded barrel capable of accepting a flash suppressor, forward handgrip or silencer; (iv) a shroud that encircles either all or part of the barrel designed to shield the bearer’s hand from heat, excluding a slide that encloses the barrel.
  - (c) A semiautomatic shotgun with the capacity to accept a detachable feeding device and includes any of the following features: (i) a folding

or telescopic stock; (ii) a thumbhole stock or pistol grip; or (iii) a protruding grip for the non-trigger hand.

(d) Any firearm listed on the assault-style firearm roster pursuant to section 128A.

(e) All of the following rifles:

(i) All AK types, including the following: AK, AK47, AK47S, AK-74, AKM, AKS, ARM, MAK90, MISR, NHM90, NHM91, Rock River Arms LAR-47, SA85, SA93, Vector Arms AK-47, VEPR, WASR-10 and WUM, IZHMASH Saiga AK, MAADI AK47 and ARM, Norinco 56S, 56S2, 84S and 86S, Poly Technologies AK47 and AKS and SKS with a detachable feeding device;

(ii) All AR types, including the following: AR-10, AR-15, Alexander Arms Overmatch Plus 16, Armalite M15 22LR Carbine, Armalite M15-T, Barrett REC7, Beretta AR-70, Black Rain Ordnance Recon Scout, Bushmaster ACR, Bushmaster Carbon 15, Bushmaster MOE series, Bushmaster XM15, Chiappa Firearms MFour rifles, Colt Match Target rifles, CORE Rifle Systems CORE15 rifles, Daniel Defense M4A1 rifles, Devil Dog Arms 15 Series rifles, Diamondback DB15 rifles, DoubleStar AR rifles, DPMS Tactical rifles, DSA Inc. ZM-4 Carbine, Heckler & Koch MR556, High Standard HSA-15 rifles, Jesse James Nomad AR-15 rifles, Knight's Armament SR-15, Lancer L15 rifles, MGI Hydra Series rifles, Mossberg MMR Tactical rifles, Noreen Firearms BN 36 rifle, Olympic Arms, POF USA P415, Precision Firearms AR rifles, Remington R-15 rifles, Rhino Arms AR rifles, Rock River Arms LAR-15, Sig Sauer SIG516, M400 and SIG716 rifles, Smith & Wesson M&P15 rifles, Stag Arms AR rifles, Sturm, Ruger & Co. SR556 and AR-556 rifles, Uselton Arms Air-Lite M-4 rifles, Windham Weaponry AR rifles, WMD Guns Big Beast, Yankee Hill Machine Company, Inc. YHM-15 rifles;

(iii) Barrett M107A1 and M82A1;

(iv) Beretta CX4 Storm;

(v) Calico Liberty Series;

(vi) CETME Sporter;

(vii) Daewoo K-1, K-2, Max 1, Max 2, AR 100 and AR 110C;

(viii) Fabrique Nationale/FN Herstal FAL, LAR, 22 FNC, 308 Match, L1A1 Sporter, PS90, SCAR and FS2000;

(ix) Feather Industries AT-9;

- (x) Galil Model AR and Model ARM;
  - (xi) Hi-Point Carbine;
  - (xii) HK-91, HK-93, HK-94, HK-PSG-1 and HK USC;
  - (xiii) IWI TAVOR and Galil ACE rifle;
  - (xiv) Kel-Tec Sub 2000, SU-16, RDB and RFB;
  - (xv) SIG AMT, SIG PE-57, SIG556, Sig Sauer SG 550, Sig Sauer SG 551 and SIG MCX;
  - (xvi) Springfield Armory SAR-48;
  - (xvii) Steyr AUG;
  - (xviii) Sturm, Ruger & Co. Mini-14 Tactical Rifle M-14/20CF;
  - (xix) All Thompson rifles, including the following: M1SB, T1100D, T150D, T1B, T1B100D, T1B50D, T1BSB, T1-C, T1D, T1SB, T5, T5100D, TM1, TM1C;
  - (xx) UMAREX UZI rifle;
  - (xxi) UZI Mini Carbine, UZI Model A Carbine and UZI Model B Carbine;
  - (xxii) Valmet M62S, M71S and M78;
  - (xxiii) Vector Arms UZI Type;
  - (xxiv) Weaver Arms Nighthawk; and (xxv) Wilkinson Arms Linda Carbine.
- (f) All of the following pistols:
- (i) All AK types, including the following: Centurion 39 AK pistol, Draco AK-47 pistol, HCR AK-47 pistol, IO Inc. Hellpup AK-47 pistol, Krinkov pistol, Mini Draco AK-47 pistol, PAP M92 pistol and Yugo Krebs Krink pistol;
  - (ii) All AR types, including the following: American Spirit AR-15 pistol, Bushmaster Carbon 15 pistol, Chiappa Firearms M4 Pistol GEN II, CORE Rifle Systems CORE15 Roscoe pistol, Daniel Defense MK18 pistol, DoubleStar Corporation AR pistol, DPMS AR-15 pistol, Jesse James Nomad AR-15 pistol, Olympic Arms AR-15 pistol, Osprey Armament MK-18 pistol, POF USA AR pistols, Rock River Arms LAR 15 pistol and Uselton Arms Air-Lite M-4 pistol;
  - (iii) Calico pistols;
  - (iv) CZ Scorpion and CZ BREN
  - (v) DSA SA58 PKP FAL pistol;
  - (vi) Encom MP-9 and MP-45;
  - (vii) Heckler & Koch model SP-89 pistol;
  - (viii) Intratec AB-10, TEC-22 Scorpion, TEC-9 and TEC-DC9;
  - (ix) IWI Galil Ace pistol, UZI PRO pistol

- (x) Kel-Tec PLR 16 pistol;
  - (xi) All MAC types, including the following: MAC-10, MAC-11, Masterpiece Arms MPA A930 Mini Pistol, MPA460 Pistol, MPA Tactical Pistol and MPA Mini Tactical Pistol, Military Armament Corp. Ingram M-11 and Velocity Arms VMAC;
  - (xii) Sig Sauer P556 pistol;
  - (xiii) Sites Spectre;
  - (xiv) All Thompson types, including the following: TA510D and TA5;
  - (xv) All UZI types, including Micro-UZI.
- (g) All of the following shotguns:
- (i) DERYA Anakon MC-1980, Anakon SD12;
  - (ii) Doruk Lethal shotguns;
  - (iii) Franchi LAW-12 and SPAS 12;
  - (iv) All IZHMASH Saiga 12 types, including the following: Saiga 12, Saiga 12S, Saiga 12S EXP-01, Saiga 12K, Saiga 12K-030, Saiga 12K-040 Taktika;
  - (v) Street Sweeper; and
  - (vi) Striker 12.
- (h) Any shotgun with a revolving cylinder.
- (i) All belt-fed semiautomatic firearms, including TNW M2HB and FN M249S.
- (j) a copy or duplicate of any firearm meeting the standards of or enumerated in clauses (d) to (i), inclusive; provided, that for the purposes of this subsection, “copy or duplicate” shall mean a firearm (A) that was manufactured or subsequently configured with an ability to accept a detachable magazine, and: (B)(i) its internal functional components are substantially similar in construction and configuration to those of an enumerated weapon in clauses (d) to (i), inclusive); or (ii) it has a receiver that is the same as or interchangeable with the receiver of an enumerated weapon in said clauses.
- (k) The term shall not include: (i) any firearm that is operated by manual bolt, pump, lever or slide action; (ii) any firearm that has been rendered permanently inoperable or otherwise rendered permanently unable to be designated as a semiautomatic assault-style firearm; (iii) any firearm that is an antique or relic, theatrical prop or other firearm that is not capable of firing a projectile and which is not intended for use as a functional firearm and cannot be readily modified through a combination of available parts into an assault-style firearm; or (iv) any semiautomatic shotgun that cannot hold more than 5 rounds of ammunition in a fixed or detachable feeding device.

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

1. No person shall possess, own, offer for sale, sell or otherwise transfer within the state an assault-weapon firearm.

Section 4. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. § 1272 is amended to read as follows:

#### UNLAWFUL CARRY

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall be unlawful for any person to carry upon or about his or her person, or in a purse or other container belonging to the person, any pistol, revolver, shotgun or rifle whether loaded or unloaded or any blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, metal knuckles, or any other offensive weapon, whether such weapon be concealed or unconcealed, except this section shall not prohibit:

1. The proper use of guns and knives for self-defense, hunting, fishing, educational or recreational purposes;
2. The carrying or use of weapons in a manner otherwise permitted by statute or authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act;
3. The carrying, possession and use of any weapon by a peace officer or other person authorized by law to carry a weapon in the performance of official duties and in compliance with the rules of the employing agency;
4. The carrying or use of weapons in a courthouse by a district judge, associate district judge or special district judge within this state, who is in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and whose name appears on a list maintained by the Administrative Director of the Courts;
5. The carrying and use of firearms and other weapons provided in this subsection when used for the purpose of living history reenactment. For purposes of this paragraph, "living history reenactment" means depiction of historical characters, scenes, historical life or events for entertainment, education, or historical documentation through the wearing or use of period, historical, antique or vintage clothing, accessories, firearms, weapons, and other implements of the historical period; or
- ~~6. The transporting by vehicle on a public roadway or the carrying of a firearm, concealed or unconcealed, loaded or unloaded, by a person who is twenty one (21) years of age or older or by a person who is eighteen (18) years of age but not yet twenty-one (21) years of age and the person is a member or veteran of the United States Armed Forces, Reserves or National Guard or was discharged under honorable conditions from the United States Armed Forces, Reserves or National Guard, and the person~~

~~is otherwise not disqualified from the possession or purchase of a firearm under state or federal law and is not carrying the firearm in furtherance of a crime. Except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title, a person who has been convicted of any one of the following offenses in this state or a violation of the equivalent law of another state:~~

~~a. assault and battery pursuant to the provisions of Section 644 of this title which caused serious physical injury to the victim;~~

~~b. aggravated assault and battery pursuant to the provisions of Section 646 of this title;~~

~~c. assault and battery that qualifies as domestic abuse as defined in Section 644 of this title;~~

~~d. stalking pursuant to the provisions of Section 1173 of this title;~~

~~e. a violation of an order issued under the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act or a domestic abuse protection order issued by another state; or~~

~~f. a violation relating to illegal drug use or possession under the provisions of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act, shall be prohibited from carrying a firearm under the provisions of this paragraph. Any person who carries a firearm in the manner provided for in this paragraph shall be prohibited from carrying the firearm into any of the places prohibited in subsection A of Section 1277 of this title or any other place currently prohibited by law. Nothing in this section shall modify or otherwise change where a person may legally carry a firearm.~~

B. Any person convicted of violating the foregoing provision shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in Section 1276 of this title.

## Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Whoever violates this section shall be punished, for a first offense, by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or by imprisonment for not less than one (1) year nor more than ten (10) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and for a second offense, by a fine of not less than five thousand (\$5,000) nor more than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) or by imprisonment for not less than five (5) years nor more than fifteen (15) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 6. This act shall become effective one hundred and eighty (180) days after passage and approval.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-512

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 2024.

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 blood alcohol level (BAC) is point zero eight percent (.08%) or higher.
  - b. A person who 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 them incapable of safely operating their 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:

1. 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.

2. If the offender is in prison for the DUI charge, they can fulfill these obligations while in the prison system.
3. 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-513

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 2024.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-514

McCumber (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to technology; 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 “QR Code Safety” Act of 2024.

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

1. Quick Response (QR) Codes: A square barcode that a smartphone camera can scan and read for the following applications, including but not limited to, providing quick access to a website, prompting the download of an application, and directing payment to an intended recipient.
2. Uniform Resource Locator (URL): The location of a web page or file that’s been added to the internet containing at least three (3) of the following: scheme, subdomain, domain, top level domain, port number, path, query string separator, query string/parameter, and fragment.

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

1. Any entity providing a QR code to another entity must include:
  - a. The URL underneath the QR code;
  - b. The entity’s name responsible for the QR code above the square box of the QR code; and
  - c. A brief description or tag about where the QR code is directing an entity to below the information in Section 3.1.b.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. For the first offense, an entity displaying a QR code without the information stipulated in Section 3 will receive a citation with no fine.

2. For every subsequent offense, an entity displaying a QR code without the information stipulated in Section 3, will be fined one hundred dollars (\$100) for every day that it is up.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU- 515

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 2024.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-516

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 2024.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-517

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 2024.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-518

Mott (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to second-use lithium-ion batteries; 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 “Second-Use Lithium-Ion Batteries” Act of 2024.

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

1. Lithium-ion battery: A storage battery in which an electrical current is generated by lithium ions embedded in a carbon graphite or nickel metal-oxide substrate placed in a high-viscosity carbonate mixture or gelled polymer electrolyte.
2. Second-use lithium-ion battery: A lithium-ion battery that has been assembled or reconditioned using cells removed from used batteries.

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

1. No person shall distribute, sell, or offer for sale a second-use lithium-ion battery.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any person found in violation of this law is to be fined two hundred dollars (\$200).
2. For each subsequent violation issued for the same offense within two (2) years of the date of the first violation, a person will receive a fine of no more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-519

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 Discrimination” Act of 2024.

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-520

Saadalla (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public health; 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 “Improving the Mental State of Our Future” Act of 2024.

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

1. Psychiatry services: any diagnosis evaluations, treatment, individual counseling
2. Mental health Therapy Services: Individual counseling, group counseling,

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

1. An organization will be created for uninsured citizens who are seeking therapy services and psychiatric help.
  - a. Licensed therapists and psychiatrists will offer their services, but the organization will alter the cost according to the patient's monthly income.
  - b. Prescriptions will be discounted according to the monthly income of the patient.
  - c. A list of pharmacies will be provided that will accept the discounts made.
  - d. Only uninsured citizens will be eligible for this organization.
  - e. A portion of the state's money received for health care will be used to cover the portion covered by the organization. The rest will be paid by the citizen.
    - i. One million dollars (\$1,000,000) will be used from the state funds of health care to fund this organization.

1. The funding would come from the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse.
  - ii. After a year of operation, the amount will be reassessed and either reduced or increased.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. OU-521

Ward (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to paid family leave; 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 “Take Care of Oklahoma Families” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Family Leave”: A leave of absence for an employee to meet personal, family and healthcare needs.
2. “One-year period”: a period of time beginning on January first (1st) and ending on December thirty-first (31st).
3. “Covered Employer”: Businesses and State Agencies that employ twenty-five (25) or more persons within the State of Oklahoma.
4. “Eligible Employee”: An employee who is employed by a covered employer for at least twelve (12) months, or three-hundred and sixty-five days (365), including:
  - a. Full-time employees
  - b. Part-time employees
  - c. Salaried employees
5. “Family Member” means:
  - a. The spouse of a employee;
  - b. A child of an employee or the child’s spouse or domestic partner;
  - c. A parent of an employee or the parent’s spouse or domestic partner;
  - d. A sibling or step sibling, biological, adopted, or fostered, of an employee or the siblings or step sibling's spouse or domestic partner;
  - e. A grandparent of a employee or the grandparent’s spouse or domestic partner;
  - f. A grandchild, biological, adopted, or fostered, of an employee or the grandchild’s spouse or domestic partner;

- g. The domestic partner of an employee; or
    - i. any individual related by blood or affinity whose close association with the employee is the equivalent of a family relationship
- 6. “Health Care Provider” means:
  - a. A person who is primarily responsible for providing health care to an eligible employee or family member or an eligible employee, who is performing within the scope of the person’s professional license or certificate.
- 7. “Disability” means:
  - a. A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activity, including:
    - i. Any physiological disease or condition, disfigurement, or anatomical loss affecting one or more body systems.
    - ii. Any mental or psychological disorder and/or illness.
- 8. “Serious Health Condition” means:
  - a. An illness, injury, impairment, or a physical or mental condition that requires inpatient care in a hospital, hospice or residential medical care facility, as diagnosed, prescribed, or recommended by a healthcare provider.
  - b. An illness, disease or condition that poses an imminent danger of death, is a terminal prognosis, or requires constant care, as diagnosed, prescribed, or recommended by a healthcare provider.
  - c. Any period of disability due to pregnancy, or period of absence for prenatal care.
  - d. Any period of absence for the donation of a body part, organ or tissue.
- 9. “Legal Issues” means:
  - a. An active civil lawsuit against an employee or an employee’s family member
  - b. A active criminal case against an employee or an employee’s family member

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

- 1. An eligible employee is entitled to up to fifteen (15) weeks of paid family leave within any one-year period.
  - a. Any leave taken by an employee shall be counted against the total period of available paid family leave for that employee within a one-year (1) period.

- b. Unused leave does not rollover or accrue between one-year (1) periods.
  - c. Employees who start meeting the twelve (12) month employment eligibility requirement between January first (1st) and end on December thirty-first (31st) of a given one -year period will have available to them the full fifteen (15) week of paid family leave for what is left of that period.
2. All eligible employees of a covered employer are eligible to take a paid period of family leave for one or more of the following purposes:
- a. To care for an infant or newly adopted child under eighteen (18) years of age, for a newly placed foster child under eighteen (18) years of age, or for an adopted foster child older than eighteen (18) years of age if the child is incapable of self-care because of a serious health condition or disability
  - b. In cases of illness, injury, or condition related to the employee's own pregnancy or childbirth, which disables the employee from performing the essential functions of their position or available job duties offered by the covered employer.
  - c. To recover from or seek treatment for a serious health condition that renders the employee unable to perform the essential functions of their position.
  - d. To care for a child who is suffering from a serious health condition.
  - e. Upon the death of each family member as to deal with;
    - i. Attending the funeral or alternative to a funeral of the family member
    - ii. Making arrangements necessitated by the death of a family member
    - iii. Grieving the death of a family member
      - 1. Paid family leave taken for grieving the death of a family member must be taken within six (6) months of the death.
  - f. To deal with cases of sexual assault, violence, domestic violence, harrasment, stalking, or hate crimes perpetrated against the employee or an employee's family member.
  - g. To deal with ongoing legal issues, civil or criminal, that involve the employee or an employee's family member
  - h. To deal with a family members current or impending deployment, such as:
    - i. To make financial arrangements
    - ii. To attend official military events

- iii. Spending time with a family member home from service on short-term leave.
3. Eligible employees wanting to take a period of paid family leave will need to provide their employer with appropriate documentation related to the purpose of the leave.
  - a. Documentation provided must show the employee fulfills one of the listed purposes in order to take a period of paid leave
4. Employees on leave shall receive compensation which aligns with the individual's existing payment schedule and amount during employment while on a period of leave.
5. An eligible employee who has taken a period of paid family leave will have their job, role, benefits, pensions, and pay protected while on leave.
6. Eligible employees can choose when and how to take their leave, as long as the leave is taken in entire days or weeks.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Eligible employers who fail to provide eligible employees with up to fifteen (15) weeks of paid-family leave within a one-year period shall be fined two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per instance.
2. Eligible employers who fail to provide employees on paid-family leave with adequate compensation shall receive a fine of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per instance.
3. Eligible Employers who retaliate or discriminate against an employee for using their available paid-family leave will receive a fine of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per instance.

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

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. TU-501

Jolliff (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to public schools; providing short title; providing for definitions; amending 25 O.S. §2101(A); 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 “Separation of Church and School” Act of 2024

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

1. “Public School” is all free schools supported by public taxation.
2. “Religion” is commitment or devotion to religious faith or observance.

Section 3. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §2101(A) 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.

Section 4. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:

1. It shall be illegal for individuals to display any regalia or documents listing any religious values in a public school or on any property inside of or belonging to a public school.

Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Any school district found in violation of Section 3.1 will be demoted in accreditation upon each offense;
2. Individual instructors found in violation of this statute shall be placed on probation for one year after their second offense; in the event of a third offense, the instructor shall be terminated.

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



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. TU-502

Saleh (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to slaying; providing short title; providing for definitions; providing for codification; providing for penalties; 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 “Slay or Be Slayed” Act of 2024.
- Section 2. DEFINITIONS The following terms are to be defined as follows for the purposes of this act:
1. “Slaying” shall be defined as popping off, period ahhing, being an absolute girlboss, acting in a manner causing people to snap (a non-Senate snap, i.e., a House snap), gaslight, gatekeep, girlbossing, and the like.
  2. “Slay fraud” shall be defined as saying someone slayed when they, in fact, did not slay.
- Section 3. NEW LAW A new law to be codified into the Oklahoma statutes to read as follows:
1. Every person within the state of Oklahoma or subject to its jurisdiction must slay at least once a day.
  2. At least three people must witness and be present at time of slay.
  3. At least three people must agree that the person slayed.
  4. No person may commit slay fraud.
- Section 4. PENALTIES
1. If any person does not slay for any day, he or she shall be put to death i.e. be slayed.
  2. Any person who commits slay fraud must slay at his or her trial, independent of the mandatory daily slay, and is to be incarcerated until the jury finds that he or she has slayed.

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

Section 6. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. TU-503

Saleh (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to victim 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 “Victim Compensation” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Victim compensation” is any amount provided to the victim of a crime by those committing or aiding and abetting the crime.

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

1. It shall be mandated that the perpetrator of homicide with malicious intent, homicide by intentional negligence, abuse, battery, assault, or sexual assault, or any individual whose purposeful lies under oath lead to a wrongful conviction or punishment in such cases be responsible for the full cost incurred as a result of the crime, such as hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees, that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any.
2. It shall be mandated that the perpetrator of homicide while committing an imminently dangerous act or one who causes harm to another by committing such an act be responsible for the full cost incurred as a result of the crime or harm, such as hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees, that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any, provided the perpetrator is or will be financially capable of incurring the costs, unless the victim is not and will likely never be capable of incurring such costs.
3. It shall be mandated that any individual whose purposeful lies under oath lead to a wrongful conviction or punishment in the instances outlined in section 4.2 of this law be responsible for the full cost incurred as a result of his or her lies, such as hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees, that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any.
4. If the perpetrator of homicide with malicious intent, homicide by intentional

negligence, abuse, battery, assault, or sexual assault, or any individual whose purposeful lies under oath lead to a wrongful conviction in such cases has an accomplice, it shall be mandated that the perpetrator of the crime or liar be responsible for the cost incurred as a result of the crime, such as hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees an amount determined by the judge but no less than fifty-one percent (51%) nor more than ninety-nine percent (99%) of the cost that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any.

5. If the perpetrator of homicide while committing an imminently dangerous act or one who causes harm to another by committing such an act has an accomplice, it shall be mandated that the perpetrator be responsible for the cost incurred as a result of the crime or harm, such as hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees an amount determined by the judge but no less than fifty-one percent (51%) nor more than ninety-nine percent (99%) of the cost that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any, provided the perpetrator is or will be financially capable of incurring the costs, unless the victim is not and will likely never be capable of incurring such costs.
6. It shall be mandated that any individual whose purposeful lies under oath lead to a wrongful conviction or punishment in the instances outlined in section 4.5 of this law be responsible for the full cost incurred as a result of his or her lies, such as hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees, that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any.
7. It shall be mandated for anyone who aids or abets the perpetrator of homicide with malicious intent, homicide by intentional negligence, abuse, battery, assault, or sexual assault be responsible for an amount of the cost incurred as a result of the crime, including hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees an amount determined by the judge but no less than one percent (1%) nor more than forty-nine percent (49%) of the cost that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any.
8. It shall be mandated for anyone who aids or abets the perpetrator of homicide while committing an imminently dangerous act or one who causes harm to another by committing such an act be responsible for an amount of the cost incurred as a result of the crime or harm, including hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees an amount determined by the judge but no less than one percent (1%) nor more than forty-nine percent (49%) of the cost that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any, provided the perpetrator is or will be financially capable of incurring the costs, unless the victim is not and will likely never be capable of incurring such costs.
9. It shall be mandated that any individual whose purposeful lies under oath lead to a wrongful conviction or punishment in the instances outlined in section 4.8 of this law be responsible for the full cost incurred as a result of their lies, such as hospital bills, mental health counseling, and legal fees, that remains after the victim receives assistance, if any.

10. It shall be mandated that the amount paid by the perpetrator of homicide with malicious intent, homicide by intentional negligence, abuse, battery, assault, or sexual assault and anyone who aids or abets the crime must total the full cost incurred as a result of the crime save for an amount unable to be divided among them in accordance with this law if such a situation arises.
11. It shall be mandated that the amount paid by the perpetrator of homicide while committing an imminently dangerous act or one who causes harm to another by committing such an act and anyone who aids or abets the crime or harm must total the full cost incurred as a result of the crime or harm save for an amount unable to be divided among them in accordance with this law if such a situation arises, provided they are or will be financially capable of incurring the costs, unless the victim is not and will likely never be capable of incurring such costs.
12. It shall be mandated that if an individual has already paid the victim's costs incurred as a result of the crime, those responsible for incurred charges under the provisions of this law must reimburse the individual the amount required of them, or, if the individual has died, the individual's family.
13. It shall be mandated that if an individual has not already paid the victim's costs incurred as a result of the crime, those responsible for incurred charges under the provisions of this law must pay the parties to whom compensation is owed.
14. It shall be mandated that following the overturning of a wrongful conviction, if any such situation arises, any compensation provided under this act shall be returned to those who were wrongfully meant to pay compensation under this act, or if the aforementioned individual has died, the individual's family, from those who received compensation.
15. The following people shall be eligible for compensation under this act:
  - a. Victims deemed ineligible for compensation under the Oklahoma Crime Victims Compensation Act as codified in 21 O.S. §§ 142.1-142.20;
  - b. Those who are victims of homicide with malicious intent, homicide while committing an imminently dangerous act, homicide by intentional negligence, abuse, battery, assault, or sexual assault;
  - c. Those who are wrongfully convicted of any of the aforementioned crimes due to purposeful lies under oath;
  - d. Those who are wrongfully convicted of any of the aforementioned crimes.

## Section 5. PENALTIES

1. Any individual who refuses to try to pay compensation in accordance with this law and judge's order to the best of his or her ability shall be incarcerated for

an additional six (6) weeks for every one thousand dollars (\$1,000) left unpaid after the victim receives assistance, if any, unless there are plans for a retrial.

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

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House Bill No. TU-504

Saleh (TU)

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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 2024.

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 that is medically unnecessary and potentially harmful as it is when one or more additional sutures than necessary are used to repair a woman's perineum. 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 except those who have been requested to do so by the recipients of the episiotomy.
2. It shall be illegal for anyone other than the person receiving the episiotomy to request the husband stitch.
  - a. The individual consenting to and receiving the husband stitch must sign in writing in a legal contract to receive 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.

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Thomason (TU)

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An act relating to discrimination; providing short title; amending 25 O.S. §1101; amending 25 O.S. §1102; 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(4); amending 25 O.S. §1451(6); amending 25 O.S. §1451(8)(b); amending 25 O.S. §1451(15)(B); amending 25 O.S. §1452(A); amending 25 O.S. §1452(B); 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 2024.

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, ~~ereed~~, 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. §1102 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:

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;

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.~~
3. ~~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:

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:

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(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(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(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(15)(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(A) 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;
  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.

Section 22. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. §1452(B) is amended to read as follows:

- 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.

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 combatting 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. TU-506

Yang (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to schools; providing short title; providing for definitions; 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 2024.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS

1. “Micros” shall be defined as vitamins and minerals needed by the body in very small amounts.
2. “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.
3. “Avoidant/Restrictive Food Intake Disorder (ARFID)” shall be defined as an eating disorder characterized by a lack of interest in eating or food, avoidance based on the sensory characteristics of food, and concern about aversive consequences of eating associated with one (or more) of the following traits: significant weight loss (or failure to achieve expected weight gain or faltering growth in children), significant nutritional deficiency, dependence on enteral feeding or oral nutritional supplements, and marked interference with psychosocial functioning.
4. “Anorexia Nervosa” shall be defined as an eating disorder characterized by significantly low body weight, a fear of gaining weight or of becoming fat, persistent behavior that interferes with weight gain, as well as specific disturbances in relation to perception and experience of their own body weight and shape.
5. “Bulimia Nervosa” shall be defined as an eating disorder characterized by recurrent episodes of binge eating, engagement in inappropriate behavior to avoid weight gain (e.g., self-induced vomiting), and overt concern with one’s body shape and weight. However, unlike individuals with anorexia nervosa, binge-eating/purging type, individuals with bulimia nervosa maintain body weight at or above a minimally normal level.
6. “Body Dysmorphic Disorder (BDD)” shall be defined as an eating disorder where 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. (Mayo Clinic)
7. “Binge-Eating Disorder” shall be defined as an eating disorder characterized

by recurrent episodes of binge eating. An episode of binge eating is marked by both of the following: eating, in a discrete period of time (e.g., within any 2-hour period), an amount of food that is definitely larger than what most people would eat in a similar period of time under similar circumstances and a sense of lack of control over eating during the episode (e.g., a feeling that one cannot stop eating or control what or how much one is eating). Binge-eating episodes are associated with three (or more) of the following: eating much more rapidly than normal, eating until feeling uncomfortably full, eating large amounts of food when not feeling physically hungry, eating alone because of feeling embarrassed by how much one is eating, feeling disgusted with oneself, depressed, or very guilty after eating, marked distress regarding said binge eating, and/or if the binge eating occurs, on average, at least once a week for 3 months.

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 avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder (ARFID), anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, body dysmorphia, binge-eating disorder, and 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.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Bill No. TU-507

Hensley (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to art; 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 “Freedom of Expression” Act of 2024.

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

1. “Drag queen” A performer of any gender who adopts a flamboyant feminine personality with glamorous costumes and makeup.
2. “Drag King” A performer of any gender who adopts a flamboyant masculine personality with glamorous costumes and makeup.
3. “Burlesque” A variety show typically including dancing and striptease with elaborate costumes and props.

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

1. The State of Oklahoma shall recognize and protect drag as a legitimate performance art form;
2. The State of Oklahoma shall recognize and protect burlesque as a legitimate performance dance form;
3. It shall be illegal for any group to infringe upon the expression of any drag queen, drag king, or burlesque performer through forms of physical violence or incendiary language;
4. No venue shall be penalized for hosting any drag or variety show regardless of the presence, or lack, of an age limit;
5. No performer shall be penalized for performing as a drag artist, or burlesque dancer in public or private.

Section 4. PENALTIES

1. Any individual, group, or organization found guilty of violating the above provision shall face a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100).
  - a. This fine will compound by an additional one hundred dollars (\$100) per infringement.

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

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Joint Resolution No. OU-601

Giusti (OU)

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 Section XI A, XI B, XI C, and XI D of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution; creating an independent citizens redistricting commission for state legislative and congressional districts; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND 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 V, Section XI A of the Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

1. The apportionment of the Legislature shall be accomplished by ~~the Legislature~~ an independent citizens redistricting commission according to the provisions of this article, within ninety (90) legislative days after the convening of the first regular session of the Legislature following each Federal Decennial Census. ~~If the Legislature shall fail or refuse to make such apportionment within the time provided herein, then such apportionment shall be accomplished by the Bipartisan Commission on Legislative Apportionment, according to the provisions of this article.~~ The Commission shall be composed of ~~seven (7)~~ thirteen (13) members as follows: ~~the Lieutenant Governor, who shall be nonvoting and the chair of the Commission; two members, one Republican and one democrat, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; two members, one Republican and one democrat, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and two members, one Republican and one democrat, appointed by the Governor.~~ Four (4) registered Democrats, four (4) registered Republicans, and five (5) registered Independents, all of whom must be eligible and registered to vote in the State of Oklahoma and may not be public officials or lobbyists registered with the Oklahoma Ethics Commission who have served within the last five (5) years or paid employees of public officials or the legislature. The members of the commission shall be appointed through the following process:



- a. The Secretary of State shall give access to applications for the commissioner roles to the public no later than January 1st of the year of the Federal Decennial Census and shall accept applications until June 1st of the year of the Federal Decennial Census. The Secretary of State shall then randomly draw the thirteen (13) applicants by no later than July 1st of the year of the Federal Decennial Census. Applicants will swear under oath that they meet the aforementioned requirements.

Section 2. 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, Section XI B of the Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

1. Each order of apportionment rendered by the ~~Bipartisan~~ Commission ~~on Legislative Apportionment~~ shall be in writing and shall be filed with the Secretary of State and shall be signed by at least ~~four~~ seven (7) members of the Commission.

Section 3. 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, Section XI C of the Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

1. Any qualified elector may seek a review of any apportionment order of the Commission, ~~or apportionment law of the legislature,~~ within sixty (60) days from the filing thereof, by filing in the Supreme Court of Oklahoma a petition which must set forth a proposed apportionment more nearly in accordance with this Article. Any apportionment of either the Senate or the House of Representatives, as ordered by the Commission, ~~or apportionment law of the legislature,~~ from which review is not sought within such time, shall become final. The court shall give all cases involving apportionment precedence over all other cases and proceedings; and if said court be not in session, it shall convene promptly for the disposal of the same.

Section 4. 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, Section XI D of the Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

1. Upon review, the Supreme Court shall determine whether or not the apportionment order of the Commission ~~or act of the legislature~~ is in compliance with the formula as set forth in this Article and, if so, it shall require the same to be filed or refiled as the case may be with the Secretary of State forthwith, and such apportionment shall become final on the date of said writ. In the event the Supreme Court shall determine that the apportionment order of said Commission ~~or legislative act~~ is not in compliance with the formula for either the Senate or the House of Representatives as set forth in this Article, it will remand the matter to the Commission with directions to modify its order to achieve conformity with the provisions of this Article.

Section 5. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in Section 1 of this resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Constitutional Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Sections 11A, 11B, 11C, and 11D of Article 5 of the Oklahoma Constitution. Currently, the Legislature is tasked with the redrawing of State and Federal districts after the release of the Federal Decennial U.S. Census. This measure would create an independent citizens redistricting commission composed of thirteen (13) members; Four Democrats, four Republicans, and five Independents. The Independent Citizens Redistricting commission would replace the Legislature as the creators of the State and Federal Districts.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES \_\_\_\_\_

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO \_\_\_\_\_

Section 6. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall, immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in Section 5 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Internal Joint Resolution No. OU-602

Schonfield (OU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Article Four, Section Two of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Constitution; eliminating the nonvoting, alternate status of delegates; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND 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 Four, Section Two of the Constitution of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature to read as follows:
1. The House of Representatives shall consist of up to ~~three (3)~~ six (6) voting delegates sent from each member institution, plus one (1) more voting delegate for every ~~one thousand (1,000)~~ five hundred (500) students enrolled at that member institution. For this purpose, enrollment figures may be rounded to the nearest ~~thousand~~ five hundred (500). ~~Each member institution may, for every voting delegate sent, send one (1) alternate who shall also be a member of the House.~~ The House shall choose its officers and have the sole power of impeachment.
  2. The House of Representatives shall during each spring session, and at other times as it may be necessary, elect one of its members as Speaker, who shall preside over its deliberations. The House of Representatives shall also elect one of its members Speaker Pro Tempore during each spring session, and at other times as it may be necessary. Their term shall be from the end of the spring conference in which he or she was elected, or from whatever date he or she was elected, until the end of the spring conference the following academic year. Such officers shall be considered voting delegates, however, they shall not count against their institution's total of delegates ~~or alternates~~ to the House of Representatives nor shall they serve more than three (3) consecutive terms per office. No person shall serve as Speaker or Speaker Pro Tempore who shall not have been a

member of the House of Representatives for the duration of at least two (2) regular conferences.

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

BALLOT TITLE

Constitutional Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Section 2 of Article 4 of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Constitution. This section enumerates the amount of voting and nonvoting delegates each member institution is allotted in the House of Representatives. This measure eliminates the non-voting status of House delegates.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES \_\_\_\_\_

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO \_\_\_\_\_

Section 3. The Secretary of the Senate shall, immediately after the passage of this resolution, 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Joint Resolution No. TU-601

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  
2ND 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 SIMPLE RESOLUTIONS

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Simple Resolution No. ORU-801

Burriss (ORU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Simple Resolution declaring Oklahoma's Unified Dedication to the Economic, Pursuit of Happiness, Health, and Welfare of Citizens

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma recognizes it's failures of the past against marginalized demographics of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the state of Oklahoma recognizes its diverse and vibrant population, each citizen contributing to the fabric of our unified state; and

WHEREAS, the economic prosperity, pursuit of happiness, health, and welfare of every Oklahoman citizen is of paramount importance to the House of Representatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

THAT The House of Representatives of the State of Oklahoma reaffirms its dedication to promoting and ensuring the economic prosperity of all citizens within the state.

THAT The House recognizes the pursuit of happiness as a fundamental right and encourages initiatives that support the mental, emotional, and social well-being of Oklahomans.

THAT The House affirms its commitment to the welfare of all Oklahomans, including but not limited to, providing support for vulnerable populations, ensuring access to education and job opportunities, and fostering a safe and inclusive environment for all.

THAT The House calls upon all state agencies, organizations, and individuals to join in this unified effort to prioritize the economic, pursuit of happiness, health, and welfare of Oklahoman citizens.



Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2024)

House Resolution No. SE-801

Walker (SE)

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution recognizing the Indian Reservation Status of land held by tribes not acknowledged in *McGirt v. Oklahoma*.

WHEREAS, The Modoc Reservation was allotted pursuant to the Dawes Act of 1887.

WHEREAS, An Indian reservation can only be disestablished by clear expression of Congressional intent.

WHEREAS, The Modoc Reservation was never disestablished by clear expression of Congressional intent, under *McGirt v. Oklahoma*, 140 S. Ct. 2453 (2020)

WHEREAS, The Nation continues to occupy and exercise sovereign governmental authority over its Reservation.

WHEREAS, The Modoc people adopted a Constitution and Bylaws and have since exercised governmental authority by its terms, as amended in 2010.

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma holds a profoundly important obligation to respect the sovereignty of all Reservations that constitute Indian Country pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 1151 and 1152.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

THAT the State of Oklahoma shall act in accordance with the mandate issued by the United States Supreme Court in *McGirt v. Oklahoma* and apply said mandate to all Reservations that constitute Indian Country in the State of Oklahoma.

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature 2024

House Internal Simple Resolution No. TU-801

Thomason (TU)

AS INTRODUCED

A Simple Resolution proposing changes to the House Standing Rules of Order; amending Rule 14 Section 3 of the House Standing Rules; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, A simple resolution is necessary to propose changes to the House Standing Rules of Order; and,

WHEREAS, A call (or calls) for debate can and often force the House of Representatives to entertain debate without the consent of the majority, indeed, even when a majority disfavors entertaining debate; and,

WHEREAS, There is no formal mechanism for the House of Representatives to overrule a call (or calls) for debate; and,

WHEREAS, There should be a formal mechanism for the House of Representatives to overrule a call (or calls) for debate in its (or their) entirety; and,

WHEREAS, This suggestion should be codified into the House Standing Rules of Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE:

THAT, A new subsection to be codified to Rule 14 Section 3 of the House Standing Rules of Order to read as follows:

Section J. Upon a call (or calls) for debate by any member(s) of the House of Representatives, another member of the House of Representatives may move to overrule the call for debate. After such motion must be seconded by another member of the House of Representatives, the Chair shall entertain a vote on the motion. The motion shall pass by a simple majority.

and,

THAT, This act shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage and approval.

and,

THAT, It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the 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.