

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES REPORT

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BUDGET RECAP

2nd SESSION, 56th LEGISLATURE

BUDGET RECAP

- [HB 1010xx](#) | \$420 million revenue-raising bill passed during the special session:
 - Gross Production tax on oil and gas wells goes up from 2 to 5 percent at a \$170 million cost to the industry
 - Motor fuel will cost \$.03 more per gallon
 - Cigarettes will go up \$1 per pack
 - Will pay for teacher, support staff and state employee raises
- [HB 1011](#) | Revenue, Taxation
 - Prohibits taxpayers from claiming \$17,000+ in itemized deductions, raising approximately \$94 million a year
 - Larger Internet sellers, such as Amazon, must now collect and remit sales taxes from third-party vendors, raising approximately \$20 million a year

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- [HB 1086](#) | Capital Gains
 - Failed to Pass; Would have ended Oklahoma's capital gains deduction, raising \$100 million revenue for the state
- [SB 888](#) | Wind
 - Bill to create a new gross production tax on wind energy and eliminate paying out refunds on tax credits failed
- [HB 1024](#) | State Employees
 - State employees will receive their first raise in about a decade. Pay increases will range from \$700 to \$2,000
 - State employees wanted a \$7,500 across-the-board increase over three years

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- Public Education: Budget now \$2.4 billion
- Teachers will receive an average increase of \$6,000 starting this fall
- Schools will share \$52 million for support staff raises, \$33 million for textbooks and \$17 million for general school funding
- [SB 1115](#) to reduce class sizes, and [SB 1104](#) to prevent lunch shaming failed

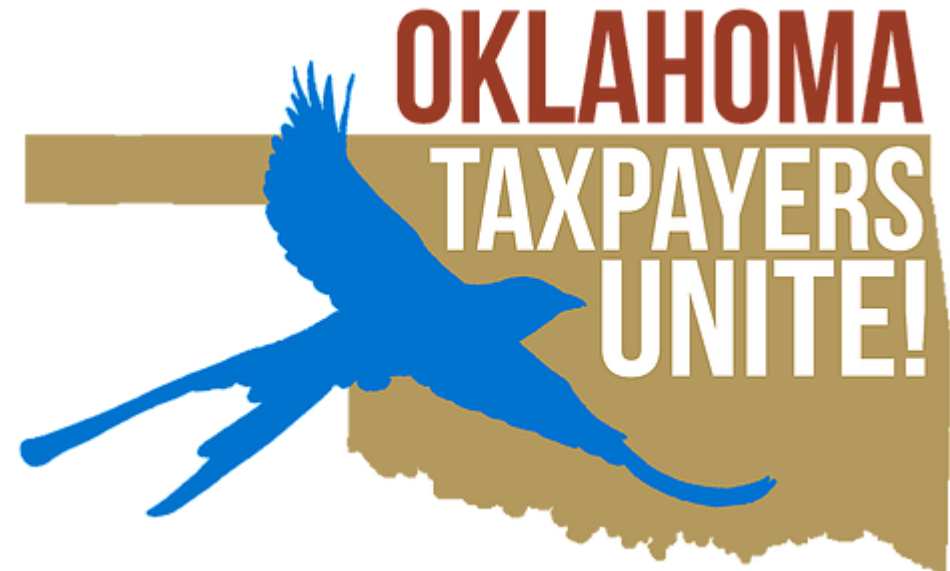


Source

REPEAL of HB 1010xx

REFERENDUM

- Definition: A direct vote in which the electorate votes on a particular proposal.
- [Oklahoma Taxpayers Unite!](#) want to repeal the historic tax package passed during the last legislative session.
- Circulated a petition drive for a VETO REFERENDUM to overturn HB1010XX
- 42,000 Signatures Required; Led by Former U.S. Senator (R-Oklahoma) Tom Coburn
- Petition validated by Oklahoma AG
- Protest filed by APOE
- Oral arguments should be heard by the Oklahoma Supreme Court on June 11
- If it makes the November ballot, it will increase voter turnout in a Gubernatorial election



**JUNE 26 PRIMARY
STATEWIDE OFFICERS,
CONGRESSIONAL
OFFICERS**

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: STATEWIDE OFFICERS

GOVERNOR (15)

DEMOCRAT

DREW EDMONDSON
CONNIE JOHNSON

LIBERTARIAN

CHRIS POWELL
REX L LAWHORN
JOE EXOTIC

REPUBLICAN

CHRISTOPHER BARNETT
DAN FISHER
ERIC FOUTCH
KEVIN STITT
TODD G. LAMB
BARRY GOWDY
BLAKE COWBOY STEPHENS
GARY A. JONES
MICK CORNETT
GARY RICHARDSON

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

DEMOCRAT

ANASTASIA A. PITTMAN
ANNA DEARMORE

REPUBLICAN

EDDIE FIELDS
DANA MURPHY
DOMINIQUE DAMON BLOCK
MATT PINNELL

STATE AUDITOR & INSPECTOR

REPUBLICAN

CINDY BYRD
CHARLIE PRATER
JOHN UZZO

ATTORNEY GENERAL

REPUBLICAN

ANGELA BONILLA
MIKE HUNTER
GENTNER DRUMMOND

SUPT., PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

REPUBLICAN

WILL FARRELL
LINDA MURPHY
JOY HOFMEISTER

LABOR COMMISSIONER

DEMOCRAT

FRED DORRELL
SAM A MIS-SOUM

REPUBLICAN

LESLIE OSBORN
KEITH SWINTON
CATHY COSTELLO

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: STATEWIDE OFFICERS, continued

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

REPUBLICAN

DONALD CHASTEEN

GLEN MULREADY

CORPORATION COMMISSIONER

DEMOCRAT

KEN REICH

BEAU WILLIAMS

BLAKE CUMMINGS

ASHLEY NICOLE McCRAY

REPUBLICAN

BOB ANTHONY

BRIAN BINGMAN

HAROLD D. SPRADLING

**JUNE 26 PRIMARY
CENTRAL OKLAHOMA:
CANADIAN, CLEVELAND,
LOGAN and OKLAHOMA
COUNTIES**

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: CANADIAN COUNTY

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 22

REPUBLICAN

LESLIE NesSMITH
STEPHANIE BICE

STATE REP, DISTRICT 41

DEMOCRAT

TYLER SMITH
SARA PETERSON
JENNIE SCOTT

REPUBLICAN

KARL FAHRENTHOLD
GREG J. INGLE
LAURA GRIESEL
DENISE CROSSWHITE HADER
CHARO GUILLORY
ROXANNE POLLARD

STATE REP, DISTRICT 43

DEMOCRAT

JACQUE PEARSALL
CHANTELLE CORY

REPUBLICAN

JAY W. STEAGALL
MICHEAL OGLESBY
MAX MARTIN
CRYSTAL DUNCAN

STATE REP, DISTRICT 47

DEMOCRAT

O. A. CARGILL
SARAH CARNES
JACOB WILSON

REPUBLICAN

RAMONA RILEY
LINDSEY STRADER
BRIAN HILL
BEVERLY ADAMS

STATE REP, DISTRICT 57

REPUBLICAN

JOY D. SMITH
HAROLD WRIGHT

STATE REP, DISTRICT 60

REPUBLICAN

RHONDA BAKER
JACQUELINE STEVENSON SMITH

COUNTY TREASURER

REPUBLICAN

AUDRE KNOTT
MARTI BOLD
CAROLYN M. LECK

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

REPUBLICAN

MARC HADER
WESLEY E. HIGGINS

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: CLEVELAND COUNTY

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 16

DEMOCRAT

MARY B. BOREN
ALEISHA KARJALA
CLAUDIA GRIFFITH

REPUBLICAN

GARY D. CAISSIE
ED CROCKER
BECKI MALDONADO

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 24

REPUBLICAN

DAN BELCHER
DARRELL WEAVER

STATE REP, DIST. 20

REPUBLICAN

JIMMY SMITH
BOBBY CLEVELAND
ANTHONY MACKAY
SHERRIE CONLEY
TINA SWAYZE

STATE REP., DIST. 27

REPUBLICAN

JOSEPH H. BLANCHARD
JASON HARRIS
DANNY J. STERLING
DAVE SPAULDING

STATE REP., DIST. 53

DEMOCRAT

LESLIE BONEBREAK
ANGEL WORTH
CYNDY SOUTHERLAND

REPUBLICAN

WESLEY PROVINE
MARK McBRIDE
TORYN HAMBRIGHT

STATE REP, DIST. 46

REPUBLICAN

NANCY SANGIRARDI
BRYAN VINYARD
JASON ERIC PEDRAZA

STATE REP., DIST. 45

DEMOCRAT

MERLEYN BELL
KEN KERR

STATE REP., DIST. 91

DEMOCRAT

AMANDA JEFFERS
SONYA FERGESON
AMANDA R ANDREWS

REPUBLICAN

BRUCE FLEMING
CHRIS KANNADY

COUNTY SHERIFF

REPUBLICAN

TODD GIBSON
LYNN STATTON
LEON SUGG

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: LOGAN COUNTY

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DIST 9

REPUBLICAN

JILL OCHS-TONTZ

LAURA AUSTIN THOMAS

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 20

REPUBLICAN

CHUCK HALL

AIYA KELLEY

STATE REP., DIST. 31

DEMOCRAT

ANGELA MOFFITT-JONES

KARA SAWYER

REPUBLICAN

GARRY MIZE

BARRY NILES

ROD BAKER

STATE REP., DIST. 32

DEMOCRAT

CHRISTI WOLFF

ANTHONY PERNA

STATE REP., DIST. 33

REPUBLICAN

JASON SHILLING

GREGORY P. BABINEC

JOHN THOMAS TALLEY

STATE REP, DIST. 38

REPUBLICAN

JOHN PFEIFFER

BRIAN HOBBS

CASEY McANINCH

COUNTY ASSESSOR

REPUBLICAN

JUDY DAMRON

TISHA HAMPTON

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

REPUBLICAN

DAN SIMMONS

MARVEN LEE GOODMAN

MARK SHARPTON

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 3

REPUBLICAN

MONTY PIEARCY

JOHN R MYERS

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: OKLAHOMA COUNTY

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 22

REPUBLICAN

LESLIE NESMITH
STEPHANIE BICE

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 30

DEMOCRAT

JULIA KIRT
LARRY DEAN BUSS

REPUBLICAN

JEFFREY CARTMELL
JOHN SYMCOX
LORI CALLAHAN
TIM HAWS
EVAN VINCENT
ERIC ROBERTS
ERICK W. HARRIS

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 40

DEMOCRAT

CARRI HICKS
DANIELLE EZELL

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 40

REPUBLICAN

JOE HOWELL
ERVIN STONE YEN

STATE SENATOR, DIST. 48

DEMOCRAT

CHRISTINE BYRD
GEORGE E. YOUNG

STATE REP., DISTRICT 31

DEMOCRAT

ANGELA MOFFITT-JONES
KARA SAWYER

REPUBLICAN

GARRY MIZE
BARRY NILES
ROD BAKER

STATE REP, DISTRICT 39

REPUBLICAN

DENECIA TAYLOR-CASSIL
RYAN MARTINEZ

STATE REP., DISTRICT 41

DEMOCRAT

TYLER SMITH
SARA PETERSON
JENNIE SCOTT

REPUBLICAN

KARL FAHRENTHOLD
GREG J. INGLE
LAURA GRIESEL
DENISE CROSSWHITE HADER
CHARO GUILLORY
ROXANNE POLLARD

STATE REP., DISTRICT 81

REPUBLICAN

BAILEY HUNTSMAN
MIKE OSBURN
MELANIE SPOON

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: OKLAHOMA COUNTY, continued

STATE REP., DISTRICT 82

REPUBLICAN

COBI CERON

CASEY SATTERLEE

ROBERT M JERNIGAN JR

BRAD MARTIN

BRENT NYBERG

DENARA MANNING

GREGORY MEAD MILLS

BRAD SCHMITT

TRAVIS HAYS

KIP BAIRD

NICOLE MILLER

NOEL TUCKER

STATE REP., DISTRICT 83

DEMOCRAT

CHELSEY BRANHAM

TYLER GREY

REPUBLICAN

PAUL CASON

JASON REESE

STATE REP., DISTRICT 84

DEMOCRAT

LAUREN MORRIS

JOEY RODMAN

STATE REP., DISTRICT 94

REPUBLICAN

COLIN T. RUSSELL

JASON SANSONE

STATE REP., DISTRICT 95

DEMOCRAT

DAVID AZ WILLIAMS

KELLY ALBRIGHT

ANTHONY VANDYOUSEFI

STATE REP., DISTRICT 96

DEMOCRAT

MAEGAN HEATH

KATHY WALLIS

REPUBLICAN

ANNETTE M. WILLIAMS

LEWIS H. MOORE

STATE REP., DISTRICT 99

DEMOCRAT

NKEM HOUSE

AJAY PITTMAN

CRENTHA SEQUOYA TURNER

STEVE DAVIS

STATE REP., DISTRICT 100

DEMOCRAT

DONALD WENTROTH

ZACH PEARSON

REPUBLICAN

JULIE ROACH

MARILYN M STARK

PAUL ABNER

STATE REP., DISTRICT 101

DEMOCRAT

MADELINE SCOTT

JOHN W. McKENNA

JOHN CARPENTER

LAUREN GROTTTS

JUNE 26 PRIMARY: OK COUNTY + WARD 7, GOV POLL

STATE REP., DISTRICT 101

REPUBLICAN

TESS TEAGUE
ROBERT MANGER
MIKE DICKSON
RICK HORNER

COUNTY ASSESSOR

REPUBLICAN

LARRY STEIN
GARY BANZ

COUNTY TREASURER

REPUBLICAN

DAREN WARD
FORREST BUTCH FREEMAN

COUNTY COMMR., DIST. 1

DEMOCRAT

CARRIE BLUMERT
BEN M JANLOO
JOHN A. PETTIS, JR.
AL McAFFREY

COUNTY COMMR., DIST. 1

REPUBLICAN

CHAD ALBEE
BRAD REEVES

COUNTY COMMR., DIST. 3

REPUBLICAN

KEVIN CALVEY
RICK BUCHANAN

GOVERNOR'S RACE

MOST RECENT SOONER POLL

REPUBLICAN

Todd Lamb	23.3
Mick Cornett	20.4
Kevin Stitt	13.5
Gary Jones	4.1
Dan Fisher	3.2
Gary Richardson	2.9
Others	1.2
Don't know	31.3

DEMOCRAT

Drew Edmondson	43.5
Connie Johnson	13.6
Don't know	42.9

AUGUST 28: CITY of OKLAHOMA
CITY SPECIAL ELECTION
WARD 7

STATE QUESTION 788

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MEDICAL MARIJUANA

- [Sample Ballot](#) | [Sooner Poll](#): Likely To Pass With 57.8 Percent Support
- OKC Chamber opposes ([Read More](#)) along with many others.
- [Yes On 788](#) Campaign
- A person 18 years or older would need to apply for a \$10 medical marijuana license (cost \$100) with the OSDH after receiving a doctor's note.
- Patients (License Owners) would be allowed to legally possess
 - 8 ounces of marijuana
 - Six mature plants and six seedlings
 - One ounce of concentrated marijuana
 - 72 ounces of edible marijuana
 - Marijuana sales would be taxed at 7 percent with 6 percent going to OSDH.
 - Some states taxing at 20 percent

STATE QUESTION 788

MEDICAL MARIJUANA

The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) hosted the inaugural meeting of its special interagency committee formed ahead of the possible legalization of medicinal marijuana. Agencies included, but are not limited to:

- Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
- Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy
- Oklahoma Department of Agriculture
- Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation
- Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs
- District Attorneys Council
- Oklahoma Tax Commission
- Office of the Attorney General
- Department of Environmental Quality
- Oklahoma State Department of Education

**LOOKING AHEAD:
57th OKLAHOMA
LEGISLATURE**

LOOKING AHEAD

57th LEGISLATURE

- Rep. Charles McCall (R-Atoka) was re-elected Speaker of the House
- Senator Greg Treat (R-Oklahoma City) will serve as Senate Pro Tem
- Senator Kim David (R-Porter) was named Majority Floor Leader
- Senator Roger Thompson (R-Okemah) was named Senate Appropriations Chair
- Senator Kay Floyd (D-Oklahoma City) was elected Senate Minority Leader
- Oklahoma currently ranks 49th in the nation for female legislators.
- In 2012, 35 women filed for 125 Oklahoma legislative seats. In 2018, four times that many filed for the same number of seats.
- June 8 is the deadline for interim studies ([Keep up with them here.](#))
 - Modernization of Open Meeting Act

REDISTRICTING

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- The next redistricting in Oklahoma will happen after the 2020 Census. [Story in The Oklahoman](#)
- Redistricting is the process of redrawing voting district lines to reflect population changes.
- Redistricting can lead to partisan redistricting often called gerrymandering. This involves manipulating the boundaries of an electoral constituency to achieve a desired result.
- The next redistricting in Oklahoma will likely lead to fewer rural seats, which means the Oklahoma Legislature will have more suburban and urban seats.
- [Represent OK](#) wants to end gerrymandering in Oklahoma by creating an independent commission that will draw new boundaries.



ADVOCACY

INFRASTRUCTURE WEEK

- ACOG Supported the Federal Infrastructure Week May 14-21. The image to the left is our most popular MEDIA (image/graphic tweet from @acogok over the last month with nearly 3,000 views.
- Infrastructure Week is a national, non-partisan project to highlight the state of our nation's infrastructure – roads, bridges, rail, ports, airports, water and sewer systems, the energy grid, telecoms, and more – and the projects, technologies, and policies necessary to make America competitive, prosperous, and safe.



Every billion dollars in federal investment in infrastructure supports 13,000 American jobs

Infrastructure Week

CLICK IT or TICKET

- ACOG helped support our partners at the [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration](#) by distributing their Public Service Announcements on our blog and social media channels.
- Between 2012 and 2016, seat belts saved 67,000 lives.



WORK ZONE SAFETY

- ACOG helped support our partners at the Oklahoma Department of Transportation during Work Zone Safety Week. We advocated for their cause on social media, and one day, staff followed the national trend of wearing orange during the week.
- That week we had our [most popular tweet ever](#) since the creation of @acogok. It was in honor of the state agency that has lost the most lives in the line of duty: ODOT. It received nearly 5,000 impressions.



THIS REPORT

BILLS, RESOURCES

- [OCPA](#) (Oklahoma Council for Public Affairs)
- [OPI](#) (Oklahoma Policy Institute)
- [OKLAHOMA WATCH](#)

THANK YOU

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