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LEGISLATIVE REPORT UPDATE

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LEGISLATIVE DEADLINES

MAY 2021

- Thursday, May 13: Deadline for rejecting Senate Amendments to House measures & requesting conference
- Tuesday, May 18: Deadlines for submitting all first Conference Committee Reports on House Measures to the Chief Clerk's Office
- Thursday, May 20: Deadline for completion of all House standing conference committee meetings
- Thursday, May 20: Deadline for submitting all second & subsequent Conference Committee Reports on House measures to the Chief Clerk's Office
- Friday, May 28: Sine Die Adjournment (no later than 5:00 p.m.)

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- HB1789*: Grants local governmental units to create or contract with a purchasing cooperative in order to achieve best value or best terms in contracts. The measure allows any purchasing cooperative or interlocal cooperative to utilize a single legal newspaper of the state to meet its bid notice requirements (Pae)
- HB2234*: Creates the Driving on Road Infrastructure with Vehicles of Electricity Act (DRIVE) which provides for a tax on electricity used to charge electric motor vehicles and establishes regulations for charging stations and electric vehicles (Hilbert)
- HB2330*: Restricts drilling of industrial and domestic wells to within a 600-foot distance of the boundary of dedicated or platted land of a municipality (Steagall)
- HB2877*: Allows Oklahoma Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) or a contracted entity to transport those in need of mental health treatment at distance further than 30 miles. ODMHSAS has a current estimated cost of approximately \$2 million. (Wallace)

BILL NUMBER LEGEND:

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- SB3*: Endorse reforms to current policies within the Department of Mental Health regarding patient transports by law enforcement agencies, including reimbursement rates and third-party services (Bullard)
- SB838*: Support the creation of public safety protection districts, which would provide ad valorem tax funding for municipal police and fire services (Weaver)
- SB967*: Endorse efforts by the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) of Central Oklahoma to bring commuter rail and enhanced bus transit to our region by including an indemnification provision for non-commercial purposes which would ensure that Class I Railroads are not held liable (Pugh)

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AIR QUALITY & CLEAN CITIES

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ACOG PRIORITIZED BILLS

• SB246: Requires the use of an air curtain incinerator for controlled burn operations when the operation is within a metropolitan statistical area that has a population of 500,000 or greater (Allen; Engrossed to Senate, House Amendments Read)

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COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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ACOG PRIORITIZED BILLS

- HB1124*: The Corporation Commission to work with the Rural Broadband Expansion Council to promulgate rules relating to the establishment of the State Broadband Deployment Grant Program and related revolving fund (Phillips; Engrossed to House, Senate Amendments Received)
- SB277*: Allows municipalities the authority to require contact information from property owners to be used in addressing public safety concerns. This will enable municipal governments to enforce public safety regulations developing out of public nuisances and dilapidated properties (Montgomery; House Amendments Read)

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TRANSPORTATION PLANNING SERVICES

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ACOG PRIORITIZED BILLS

- HB1712*: Creates the Oklahoma Road User Charge Program and a related task force to study and make recommendations on the administration of fees for roadways (Hill; Referred for Enrollment)
- HB1770*: Updates hand signaling laws and provides certain exceptions for bicyclists at traffic-control devices (Dobrinski; Senate Amendments Received)
- SB184*: Establishes a speed limit of 20-miles-per-hour on trails for electric-assisted bicycles (Hicks; House Amendments Read, Adopted & Passed; Referred for enrollment to House)

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ACOG PRIORITIZED BILLS

- HB1093*: Establishes a date by which the Water Resources Board must update the Oklahoma Water Quality Standards to include a provision to allow for the development of nutrient trading programs by state environmental agencies (Kerbs; Senate Amendments Received)
- SB267: Re-creates the Red River Boundary Commission (Bullard; House Amendments Read)

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• HB2644*: Extends the date to which a public body may hold meetings by teleconference (Echols; Senate Amendments Received)

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- HB1058: Adjusts calculations of municipal income when determining if certain audits are required, sets municipal audits and reporting to be biennial and creates a Special Investigative Unit Audit Revolving Fund under the State Auditor (Boles)
- HB1137: Provides for a tax credit to electric vehicle charging stations, such credit to be provided on a per-location basis and to be capped annually (Fetgatter)
- HB1719: Creates the Green Power Technology Act of 2021 (Hill)
- HB1720: Provides a certain tax credit to qualified employees of certain businesses or governmental units that engage in the research, development, production or sale of batteries for electric energy storage or electric vehicles (Hill)
- HB1878: Allows the North Canadian River to be renamed "Oklahoma River" for economic development purposes. This affects the river only in Oklahoma County (West)

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DEAD BILLS (CONTINUED)

- HB1897: Authorizes municipalities to allow for the carry of concealed firearms by municipal employees for personal protection (Roberts)
- HB1924: Endorse efforts by the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) of Central Oklahoma to bring commuter rail and enhanced bus transit to our region by including an indemnification provision for non-commercial purposes which would ensure that Class I railroads are not held liable (Martinez)
- HB1970: Creates the Public Safety Protection District Act (Nollan)
- HB2217: Support legislation that allows local governments to regulate the location and spacing of medical marijuana dispensaries (McDugle)
- HB2504*: Would place local public health departments (OKC & Tulsa) under the administrative control
 of the Oklahoma State Department of Health through personnel management, board appointments
 and preemption (Kannady)

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DEAD BILLS (CONTINUED)

- HB2744: Creates the Tax Exemption Fraud Prevention Act of 2021 which establishes certain requirements and standards for Sale for Resale Permits and permits the Tax Commission to release certain vendor data (Ford)
- SB109: Required instream flow studies on certain rivers east of Interstate 35 (Bullard)
- SB224: Prevent cities and towns the right to regulate mask mandates (Dahm)
- SB240: Add municipal EMS as a qualifying entity for the Warrant Intercept program via the state income tax collection process (Hall)
- SB254: Allows cities and counties to publish public meeting notices online and not require mandatory publishing in a local newspaper (Bullard)
- SB299: Establishes and clarifies the rights of public agencies, schools, and procurement units to enter into cooperative agreements for the purchasing of commodities and services, including public construction contracts (Bergstrom)

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DEAD BILLS (CONTINUED)

- SB445: Updates provisions related to medical marijuana to reflect protections and restrictions on medical marijuana dispensaries and adjusts provisions prohibit smoking on county & municipal property to include marijuana and vapor products (Paxton)
- SB459: Modifies applicant in the Workplace Drug & Alcohol Testing Act to include safety sensitive positions as defined in the Medical Marijuana Patient Protection Act (Paxton)
- SB618: Directs the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to implement a complete streets policy after consulting with various authorities and requires compliance with such policies for any projects utilizing state funds (Hicks)
- SB1032: Requires public bodies which operate websites and utilize high-speed internet to stream meetings live and post recordings of their meetings (Treat)

BILL NUMBER LEGEND: ACOG SUPPORTS ACOG OPPOSES MONITORING

NEXT STEPS

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- CONTINUE COMMUNICATIONS: Email or visit legislative offices during May
- APPROPRIATIONS: Meet with ACOG legislators to discuss increased funding for:
 - REAP
 - Sub-state
 - Rural Fire

QUESTIONS?

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