

## Watch List As of 2-25-2015

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#### 39 Bills On Report

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| <b>HB1209</b>    | <p><b>Paraphrase:</b> HB1209, by Rep. Dennis Ray Casey, R-Morrison, Rep. Earl Sears, R-Bartlesville, Sen. Clark Jolley, R-Oklahoma City, and Sen. Greg Treat, R-Oklahoma City, appropriates funds from the FY2016 General Revenue Fund to the Department of Rehabilitative Services, sets budget limits and establishes FTE limitations. (Appropriation Bill) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> Second Reading - Referred to House Committee <b>Status Date:</b> 02/03/2015<br/><b>Committee(1):</b> H Appropriations &amp; Budget (H)</p>  |
| <b>HB1242</b>    | <p><b>Paraphrase:</b> HB1242, by Rep. Dennis Ray Casey, R-Morrison, Rep. Earl Sears, R-Bartlesville, Sen. Clark Jolley, R-Oklahoma City, and Sen. Greg Treat, R-Oklahoma City, makes general appropriations to state agencies, boards and commissions. (Appropriation Bill) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> Second Reading - Referred to House Committee <b>Status Date:</b> 02/03/2015<br/><b>Committee(1):</b> H Appropriations &amp; Budget (H)</p>  |
| <b>HB1243</b>   | <p><b>Paraphrase:</b> HB1243, by Rep. Dennis Ray Casey, R-Morrison, Rep. Earl Sears, R-Bartlesville, Sen. Clark Jolley, R-Oklahoma City, and Sen. Greg Treat, R-Oklahoma City, makes general appropriations to state agencies, boards and commissions. (Appropriation Bill) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> Second Reading - Referred to House Committee <b>Status Date:</b> 02/03/2015<br/><b>Committee(1):</b> H Appropriations &amp; Budget (H)</p>  |
| <b>HB1286</b>  | <p><b>Paraphrase:</b> HB1286, by Rep. Josh Cockroft, R-Tecumseh, requires each agency subject to the Oklahoma State Finance Act to develop a contingency plan and corresponding budget for up to a 25 percent reduction in any federal monies. The bill requires the contingency plan and budget be submitted to the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, the Governor, the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate within 30 days of the effective date of the bill. It also requires every entity subject to the bill's provisions to make an annual disclosure in a separate written report and information available through a website maintained by or on behalf of the entity of all federal funds under the control of the entity and the programs for which the federal funds are used by distinct expenditure categories and to identify the priority or rank of the federal funds in descending order with the funding source the agency relies on to the greatest extent listed first and the funding source the agency relies on to the least extent listed last. It also requires every subject entity to make an annual disclosure either in a separate written report, information available through a website maintained by or on behalf of the entity or both, of the federal funds for which the agency must incur costs to implement and</p> |

shall provide such information in descending order with the most costly federal funds listed first and the least costly federal funds listed last. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to House Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** H Rules (H)

**HB1287**  **Paraphrase:** HB1287, by Rep. Josh Cockroft, R-Tecumseh, HB1287 creates the Oklahoma State Government Open Records One-Stop Initiative. The bill requires the Chief Information Officer to develop and maintain an online web presence at the web address [OpenRecords.ok.gov](http://OpenRecords.ok.gov) to allow the public to file a request for documents under the Oklahoma Open Records Act. The bill requires the Chief Information to shall retrieve and deliver the documents to the requester in accordance with the procedures of the Oklahoma Open Records Act upon finding that the requested documents are open records under the act. It requires documents requested through the open records web portal be delivered to the requester in electronic format. It also requires the electronic material be made available to the public through the [data.ok.gov](http://data.ok.gov) web portal immediately following delivery of the documents. It provides that the bill cannot be construed to change any obligation of public officials to comply with already existing provisions of the Oklahoma Open Records Act. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

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**Committee(1):** H Rules (H)

**HB1336**  **Paraphrase:** HB1336, by Rep. James Lockhart, D-Heavener, requires all health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after Nov. 1, 2015, to include coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of any autistic disorder, provided such treatments are medically necessary and identified and ordered by a licensed physician, licensed psychologist or licensed clinical social worker for an insured who is diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. The bill lists included, but not limited to, treatments. The bill also removes language providing that health benefit plans are not required to include coverage for any autistic disorder. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to House Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** H Insurance (H)

**HB1337**  **Paraphrase:** HB1337, by Rep. James Lockhart, D-Heavener, requires public bodies to make available on their website information concerning the number of persons with disabilities employed by the public body. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H General Order **Status Date:** 02/09/2015

**HB1376**  **Paraphrase:** HB1376, by Rep. Randy McDaniel, R-Edmond, specifies the employees eligible for a defined contribution system established by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System as those in a full-time position or a position that is more than half-time and qualifies for employee benefits. It allows an employee

who begins participating in a defined benefit plan on or after November 1, 2015, in one of the positions listed, to continue to participate in the defined benefit plan only as long as he or she continues to be employed in that position. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H Committee - Committee Sub, Do Pass **Status Date:** 02/17/2015  
**Committee(1):** H Business, Labor & Retirement Laws (H)

**HB1452**  **Paraphrase:** HB1452, by Rep. David Ralph Brumbaugh, R-Broken Arrow and Sen. David Holt, R-Oklahoma City, requires the gross salary of each employee to be made available on state agency websites. It requires the data to be made available in an open-structured format that may be downloaded by the public and which allows the viewer to systematically sort, search, and access all data. It also requires a link to the budget and audited financial statements of the public entity as provided to the State Auditor and Inspector; and raw data sets which include all expenditure data as requested by and provided to the State Auditor and Inspector. (Amended by House, Committee Substitute) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H General Order **Status Date:** 02/18/2015

**HB1512**  **Paraphrase:** HB1512, by Rep. Sally Kern, R-Oklahoma City, requires an educational interpreter under the Oklahoma Educational Interpreter for the Deaf Act with to be certified with an Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) before being allowed to be employed by a public school district. It limits them to be assigned to work in only the grade levels covered by the EIPA credentials of the educational interpreter until the interpreter has attained certification. It prohibits employment by those interpreters who have not attained certification. It specifies which credentials may not work for employment as an interpreter. It directs the State Department of Education to provide access to a current registry of the names of educational interpreters and the types and expiration dates of certifications held by each interpreter as provided by the Department of Rehabilitation Services and the Registry of Interpreters of the Deaf (RID). It requires registration by interpreters and directs DRS to investigate reports of uncertified individuals. The bill directs the State Board of Education to establish penalties for noncompliance with registration requirements. It also requires school districts to provide an annual performance evaluation for each educational interpreter and requires them to submit a biannual report to SDE listing the names, the certifications and certification levels held by each educational interpreter employed by the district. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H Committee - Committee Sub, Do Pass **Status Date:** 02/24/2015  
**Committee(1):** H Common Education (H)

**HB1522**  **Paraphrase:** HB1522, by Rep. Katie Henke, R-Tulsa, clarifies language related to the annual reports of the Oklahoma School Testing Program. The bill requires that the reports include student achievement results of schools that directly or indirectly receive revenue from the state for the financial support of public schools including schools participating in the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program and student performance descriptions of schools that directly or

indirectly receive revenue from the state for the financial support of public schools. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H Committee - Do Pass Failed **Status Date:** 02/24/2015

**Committee(1):** H Common Education (H)

**HB1533**  **Paraphrase:** HB1533, by Rep. Todd Thomsen, R-Ada, creates the Oklahoma Higher Education Scholarship Act to provide scholarships to middle-income students attending institutions in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. The bill provides that income for the program will consist of funds accruing in the Oklahoma Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund created by the bill. The bill requires the State Regents for Higher Education to award scholarships from the Oklahoma Higher Education Scholarship Program, to eligible students. The bill sets student eligibility for the scholarships. The bill provides that the scholarships will be in an amount equivalent to the nonguaranteed resident tuition for which an eligible student is obligated at an institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Subcommittee Laid Over **Status Date:** 02/09/2015

**Committee(1):** H Appropriations & Budget, Education (H)

**HB1561**  **Paraphrase:** HB1561, by Rep. Elise Hall, R-Oklahoma City, creates the Quality Workforce Act. It permits an eligible establishment which receives approval by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce under the provisions of the this bill to receive a rebate from the Oklahoma Tax Commission equal to amounts paid for workforce investment for eligible employees plus any rebate supplement on or after July 1, 2016. It requires that such payments be made until fully reimbursed but annual payments will be required to be limited to an amount equal to 5 percent of the average wage of all employees of the establishment multiplied by the number of eligible employees. The bill creates a special fund designated the Quality Workforce Rebate Payment Fund for the Oklahoma Tax Commission with the State Treasury. It requires that Oklahoma Department and the Oklahoma Tax Commission to promulgate rules necessary to implement their respective duties and responsibilities under the provisions of this bill. It lists the prescribed fines for any applicant convicted of violating the conditions of this bill. The bill requires the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to prepare triennially a report which shall include a fiscal analysis of the costs and benefits of the Quality Workforce Act, and will be submitted to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Governor no later than March 1, 2019 and every 3 years after. The bill requires that the provisions listed therein to cease having force and effect of law effective July 1, 2020, and prohibits any claim to paid thereafter. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to House Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015

**Committee(1):** H Appropriations & Budget, Revenue & Taxation (H)

**HB1664**  **Paraphrase:** HB1664, by Rep. David Dank, R-Oklahoma City, creates the Ethics and Transparency Act of 2015. The bill states that the Oklahoma Ethics Commission

require all entities spending money in a state and local political race to abide by the same donor and expenditure reporting rules as political action committees and individual candidates. (Amended by House, Committee Substitute) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H General Order **Status Date:** 02/18/2015

**HB1738**  **Paraphrase:** HB1738, by Rep. Lewis Moore, R-Arcadia, establishes the Oklahoma Privacy Protection Act. The bill establishes the state policy to refuse material support or participation in any federal agency with the power to authorize the collection of electronic data or metadata of any person pursuant to any action not based on a warrant. It states an agency, board or commission in violation of this act will not receive state grant funds and any individual in violation is subject to removal from office or employment and a \$1,000 fine. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H Committee - Laid Over **Status Date:** 02/18/2015

**Committee(1):** H State & Federal Relations (H)

**HB1744**  **Paraphrase:** HB1744, by Rep. Josh Cockroft, R-Tecumseh, establishes the Oklahoma Federal Funds Commission Act and the Oklahoma Federal Funds Commission. The bill states what the commission will study. This bill states the commission will make recommendations to the governor prior to Nov. 1, 2020, to avoid or minimize the risk of a reduction in the amount of federal funds by the state and by local governments in the state; reduce the dependency of the state and of local governments in the state on federal funds; and prepare for a reduction in the amount of federal funds by the state and by local governments in the state. The bill states after Nov. 1, 2020, the commission will be assigned to another federal issue as assigned by the Legislature or Governor. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to House Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015

**Committee(1):** H Rules (H)

**HB1748**  **Paraphrase:** HB1748, by Rep. Tom Newell, R-Seminole and Sen. Greg Treat, R-Oklahoma City, requires certain entities to report, through written disclosure and information available on their website, all federal funds under control of the entity and the programs the funds are used for. The bill requires the programs be sorted or ranked by priority. This bill specifies what kinds of information to be included in the disclosure. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H Laid Over **Status Date:** 02/17/2015

**HB1760**  **Paraphrase:** HB1760, by Rep. John Enns, R-Enid, creates the Commitment to Care for People with Complex Physical Disabilities Act and defines related terms. The bill requires the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to take into consideration the unique medical and functional needs of members with complex physical disabilities when preparing or adjusting its budget. It requires OHCA to provide coverage for specialty provider services, specialized equipment, and supplies for people with complex physical disabilities. It specifies how the agency is to proceed with such

considerations. The bill also directs OHCA to establish focused regulations and policies for CRT products and services. It directs the regulations and policies to consider customized services and specifies those considerations. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Referred to Committee **Status Date:** 02/18/2015

**Committee(1):** H Appropriations & Budget (H)

**HB1859**  **Paraphrase:** HB1859, by Rep. Harold Wright, R-Weatherford and Sen. Dan Newberry, R-Tulsa, modifies the membership of the Governor's Council for Workforce and Economic Development. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H General Order **Status Date:** 02/19/2015

**HB1969**  **Paraphrase:** HB1969, by Rep. Terry O'Donnell, R-Catoosa, creates the Oklahoma Employment First Act. The bill requires all state agencies to coordinate effects and collaborate within and among such agencies to ensure that state programs, policies, procedures and funding support competitive integrated employment of individuals with disabilities. It requires that all state agencies, whenever feasible, to share data and information across systems in order to track progress toward full implementation of this bill. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H Committee - Do Pass **Status Date:** 02/24/2015

**Committee(1):** H Business, Labor & Retirement Laws (H)

**HB2081**  **Paraphrase:** HB2081, by Rep. Jason Nelson, R-Oklahoma City and Sen. Kimberly David, R-Porter, states intent of the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education to establish a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program for students with intellectual disabilities which shall be offered by institutions. The bill specifies the parameters of the degree program. This bill requires the state regents establish procedures and criteria to establish a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program for students with intellectual disabilities to be offered by institutions including eligibility for Pell Grants, Work Study and enrollment without meeting certain admission standards. It requires the state regents seeks funding for institutional grants to meet this criteria. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** H General Order **Status Date:** 02/19/2015

**HB2101**  **Paraphrase:** HB2101, by Rep. Lewis Moore, R-Arcadia, creates the Whistleblower Liberty Fund Act. The bill exempts persons from being disciplined, demoted, transferred, terminated or otherwise penalized as a result of providing information to any person government entity or organization about the alleged misuse of federal funds if the information was provided in the good-faith belief that reasonable grounds existed at the time the information was provided to suspect misuse of the federal funds or that the use of federal funds was in violation of any provisions of the United States Constitution. It awards such person 10 percent of the total amount of funds determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have been misused. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to House Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** H Rules (H)

**SB0060**  **Paraphrase:** SB0060, by Sen. Earl Garrison, D-Muskogee and Rep. Jerry McPeak, D-Warner, exempts the Oklahoma School for the Blind and the Oklahoma School for the Deaf from the A-F school grading system. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** S Education (S)

**SB0067**  **Paraphrase:** SB0067, by Sen. Ron Sharp, R-Shawnee and Rep. Justin Wood, R-Shawnee, prohibits the operator of a vehicle from communicating with a handheld electronic device, either verbally or by typing an email or text during the physical operation of a motor vehicle. The bill establishes a penalty that cannot exceed the fine for a misdemeanor. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** S Public Safety (S)

**SB0146**  **Paraphrase:** SB0146, by Sen. Frank Simpson, R-Ardmore, exempts the Oklahoma School for the Blind or the Oklahoma School for the Deaf from the State Board of Education's annual reports of the results of the Oklahoma School Testing Program which describe student achievement in the state and each school site. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** S Education (S)

**SB0149**   **Paraphrase:** SB0149, by Sen. Earl Garrison, D-Muskogee and Rep. Jerry McPeak, D-Warner, provides that expenditures of funds appropriated to the State Department of Rehabilitation Services for educational programs or educational materials for the Oklahoma School for the Blind and the Oklahoma School for the Deaf be in accordance with procedures adopted by the Commission for Rehabilitation Services in consultation with the State Purchasing Director. (Amended by Senate, Stricken Title, Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S Engrossed **Status Date:** 02/24/2015

**SB0153**   **Paraphrase:** SB0153, by Sen. Kimberly David, R-Porter and Rep. Pat Ownbey, R-Ardmore, increases the number of unclassified employees in the Disability Determination Division of the State Department of Rehabilitation Services from a total number of 14 to 21. (Amended by Senate, Stricken Title) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S General Order **Status Date:** 02/11/2015

**SB0156**  **Paraphrase:** SB0156, by Sen. Earl Garrison, D-Muskogee, exempts the Oklahoma school for the Blind and the Oklahoma School for the Deaf from certain requirements

concerning the disposition of state-owned property. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** S Appropriations (S)

**SB0162**  **Paraphrase:** SB0162, by Sen. Jim Halligan, R-Stillwater and Rep. Lee Denney, R-Cushing, requires the State Board of Education, in consultation with experts in the education and assessment of students with the most significant cognitive disabilities, to promulgate rules providing for exemptions from the mandated tests administered pursuant to the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act for students on an individualized education program (IEP), in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), that directs that the student is to be assessed with alternate achievement standards through the Oklahoma Alternate Assessment Program (OAAP) who otherwise demonstrate satisfactory knowledge in that subject. (Amended by Senate, Stricken Title, Emergency Measure, Committee Substitute) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S Committee - Do Pass as Amended **Status Date:** 02/25/2015  
**Committee(1):** S Appropriations (S)

**SB0308**  **Paraphrase:** SB0308, by Sen. Nathan Dahm, R-Broken Arrow and Rep. George Faught, R-Muskogee, requires agencies exempt from the Administrative Procedures Act to publish its exempt rules on its website. The bill requires an agency to respond within 30 days to a request from the Governor, House or Senate to review its rules and respond to a small business within 90 days. The bill requires that all requests to waive requirements be submitted in writing to the Governor. The bill gives the Legislature the authority to amend proposed and effective agency rules. The bill eliminates the process from the legislative cutoff dates. (Amended by Senate, Stricken Title, Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S General Order **Status Date:** 02/16/2015

**SB0346**  **Paraphrase:** SB0346, by Sen. Nathan Dahm, R-Broken Arrow and Rep. Ken Walker, R-Tulsa, creates the Governor's Transparency Act of 2015. The bill requires a state agency entering into a Memorandum of Understanding or Memorandum of Agreement with any agency, department or any organization receiving appropriated money, grants, contracts from the State of Oklahoma or any other state or funds from the government of the United States to publish a report on its website and the [documents.ok.gov](http://documents.ok.gov) website of all Memorandums of Understanding or Memorandums of Agreement within 15 business days of the memorandum's effective date. The bill establishes the requirements for the report. The bill requires when any state agency enters into a Memorandum of Understanding or Memorandum of Agreement, and when the state Legislature is in session, the state agency to provide the chair of the appropriate legislative committee, based on the subject matter or agency executing the document, with a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding or Memorandum of Agreement. The bill provides the state agency may not publish any such report on a Memorandum of Understanding or Memorandum of Agreement that is privileged under law pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Records Act, but it also requires a report

to be published to indicate what entities are subject to the privileged Memorandum of Understanding or Memorandum of Agreement and its duration. The bill also requires that Memorandums of Understanding or Memorandums of Agreement solely between state departments or agencies cite the state constitutional or statutory authority granted for the subject addressed in the Memorandum of Understanding or Memorandum of Agreement. The bill also requires Memorandums of Understanding or Memorandums of Agreement between any agencies, departments and any organizations receiving appropriated money, grants, contracts from the State of Oklahoma, or any other state or funds from the government of the United States cite the authority granted by federal or state statute and/or in the Constitution of the United States as well as the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma for the subject addressed in the Memorandum of Understanding or Memorandum of Agreement. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S General Order **Status Date:** 02/16/2015

**SB0449**  **Paraphrase:** SB0449, by Sen. Corey Brooks, R-Washington and Rep. Dennis Johnson, R-Duncan, declares a hiring freeze for a five year period following the effective date of the bill as a further control on human resource costs. The bill exempts the State Department of Corrections, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Education, the State Senate, and the House of Representatives from the provisions of the bill. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S General Order **Status Date:** 02/17/2015

**SB0450**  **Paraphrase:** SB0450, by Sen. Bill Brown, R-Broken Arrow, declares a hiring freeze for a five year period following the effective date of the bill as a further control on human resource costs. The bill exempts the State Department of Corrections, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Education, the State Senate, and the House of Representatives from the provisions of the bill. (Emergency Measure) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** S Appropriations (S)

**SB0521**  **Paraphrase:** SB0521, by Sen. Kyle Loveless, R-Oklahoma City, creates the Access to Healthy Choices in Oklahoma Act. It requires all food and beverages purchased by, or sold, served or otherwise provided by state agencies, through vending machines located on property owned or leased by the state to meet minimum nutrition and procurement standards put forth in the bill. It also requires the State Department of Health to designate an appropriate position with the department to disseminate information and train state agency staff and vendors on the standard to support compliance and assist the implementation of the nutrition and procurement standards required by the bill. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015  
**Committee(1):** S Health & Human Services (S)  
**Committee(2):** S Appropriations (S)

**SB0522**  **Paraphrase:** SB0522, by Sen. Ralph Shortey, R-Oklahoma City, creates the Oklahoma Official English Language Implementation Act. The bill declares that the English language is the official language of the state. It requires that the state to preserve and enhance the role of English as the official language of Oklahoma. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/03/2015

**Committee(1):** S Rules (S)

**Committee(2):** S Appropriations (S)

**SB0544**  **Paraphrase:** SB0544, by Sen. Robert Standridge, R-Norman, creates the Professional Services Acquisition Act. The bill provides that a person or business whose physical place of business is located outside of the physical boundaries of Oklahoma will not be authorized to solicit, contract or provide an acquisition of professional services, or its related products, where public state funds are paid on behalf of the solicitation, contract or acquisition, except when the person or business entity is in compliance with the same rules, regulations, and laws imposed on a person or business entity whose physical place of business is located in Oklahoma. The bill prohibits the State of Oklahoma, including its agencies, contractors, and subcontractors, from using state funds in any manner relative to solicitation, bid, acquisition, contracting or hiring an out-of-state person or business entity to provide professional services, or its related products, except when the person or business entity is in compliance with the same rules, regulations, and laws required for the same type of business entity or person physically located in Oklahoma. The bill exempts allopathic physicians, osteopathic physicians, pharmacists, dentists, podiatrists, and optometrists offering professional services and related products from its provisions. The bill requires any state agency soliciting, entering into a contract or contracting for any acquisition in violation of the bill to either rescind the contract or decline to renew the contract until compliance is met. The bill establishes compliance requirements. It establishes that its provisions do not limit the authority of any licensure board from bringing an action to regulate the products or professional services or to enforce license violations. The bill also provides the use of a computer, computer system, computer network or any electronic means to obtain an acquisition of product or professional services in one jurisdiction to or from another jurisdiction is deemed to have occurred in this jurisdiction for purposes of any administrative, civil or criminal action under the bill. The bill defines applicable terms. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S Referred to 2nd Committee **Status Date:** 02/09/2015

**Committee(2):** S Appropriations (S)

**SB0612**  **Paraphrase:** SB0612, by Sen. Dan Newberry, R-Tulsa, modifies the membership of the Governor's Council for Workforce and Economic Development and requires compliance with the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. The bill also directs the council to form a subcommittee on health workforce for the purpose of informing, coordinating, and facilitating statewide efforts to ensure that a well-trained, adequately distributed, and flexible health workforce is available to meet the needs of an efficient and effective health care system in Oklahoma. The bill also specifies

the duties of the Health Workforce Subcommittee. (Amended by Senate, Stricken Title, Committee Substitute) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S General Order **Status Date:** 02/19/2015

**SB0660**  **Paraphrase:** SB0660, by Sen. Eddie Fields, R-Wynona and Rep. Scott Biggs, R-Chickasha, authorizes agency administrators to allow food vendors to sell food and Made In Oklahoma products in the parking lots of state agencies or state buildings. (Amended by Senate, Stricken Title) - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** S General Order **Status Date:** 02/16/2015

**SB0754**  **Paraphrase:** SB0754, by Sen. Kimberly David, R-Porter, creates the Commitment to Care for People with Complex Physical Disabilities Act. The bill requires the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to take into consideration the needs of members with complex physical disabilities. The bill requires the Authority to provide coverage for specialty provider services, specialized equipment and supplies for people with complex physical disabilities. The bill requires the Authority to establish rules and policies for certain products and services. The bill establishes specific supplier standards that provide the equipment. The bill establishes rules and regulations for billing. - © 2015 eCapitol, LLC. All rights reserved.

**Status:** Second Reading - Referred to Senate Committee **Status Date:** 02/04/2015

**Committee(1):** S Health & Human Services (S)

**Committee(2):** S Appropriations (S)

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