

# Senate Journal

## Second Regular Session of the Fifty-ninth Legislature of the State of Oklahoma Fiftieth Legislative Day, Thursday, May 2, 2024

The Senate was called to order by Senator Paxton.

Roll Call:

Present: Alvord, Bergstrom, Boren, Brooks, Bullard, Burns, Coleman, Dahm, Deevers, Dossett, Dugger, Floyd, Garvin, Gollihare, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Haste, Hicks, Howard, Jech, Jett, Kidd, Kirt, Matthews, McCortney, Murdock, Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson, Pemberton, Prieto, Pugh, Rader, Rogers, Rosino, Seifried, Stanley, Stephens, Stewart, Thompson (Kristen), Treat, Weaver, Woods and Young.—45.

Excused: Daniels, Standridge and Thompson (Roger).—3.

Senator Paxton declared a quorum present.

The prayer was offered by Senator Mary Boren.

### INTRODUCTION

Senator Jett introduced former Governor George Nigh, to the Senate.

### REPORT OF ENGROSSED AND ENROLLED MEASURES

**SCR 19** was correctly enrolled, properly signed and ordered transmitted to the Honorable House for signature of the Speaker.

**SR 43** was correctly enrolled, properly signed and ordered transmitted to the Secretary of State.

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST  
DIRECT TO CALENDAR**

Senator Jett asked unanimous consent to refer **SCR 22** direct to the Calendar for consideration, which was the order.

**GENERAL ORDER**

**SCR 22** by Jett of the Senate and Echols et al. of the House was called up for consideration.

**SCR 22** was adopted upon motion of Senator Jett and referred for engrossment.

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST  
DIRECT TO CALENDAR**

Senator Floyd asked unanimous consent to refer **SCR 23** direct to the Calendar for consideration, which was the order.

**GENERAL ORDER**

**SCR 23** by Floyd of the Senate and Pae et al. of the House was called up for consideration.

**SCR 23** was adopted upon motion of Senator Floyd and referred for engrossment.

**CHANGE IN STANDING COMMITTEES**

President Pro Tempore Treat moved that pursuant to Senate Rules 1-1 and 7-2, the Standing Committees, the Joint Committee on Appropriations and Budget and the General Conference Committee on Appropriations and the members thereof appointed for the Second Regular Session of the Fifty-ninth Legislature, as distributed today, be approved, which motion was declared adopted.

The Standing Committees and their membership are as follows:

## **SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **Second Regular Session Fifty-ninth Oklahoma Legislature**

President Pro Tempore Treat and Senator McCortney are ex officio voting members of all Senate committees.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

Bergstrom, Chair  
Daniels, Vice-Chair

Alvord	Dahm
Boren	Deevers
Brooks	Garvin
Bullard	Pemberton
Coleman	Weaver

#### **AERONAUTICS and TRANSPORTATION**

Haste, Chair  
Alvord, Vice-Chair

Boren	Newhouse
Burns	Rogers
Dahm	Rosino
Kidd	Stanley
Matthews	Stephens

#### **AGRICULTURE and RURAL AFFAIRS**

Kidd, Chair  
Hall, Vice-Chair

Alvord	Paxton
Boren	Rogers
Green	Woods
Hamilton	Young
Jech	

**APPROPRIATIONS**

Hall, Chair  
Rosino, Vice-Chair

Brooks	Kirt
Burns	Matthews
Dugger	Newhouse
Floyd	Prieto
Green	Pugh
Gollihare	Rader
Haste	Stephens
Hicks	Thompson, K.
Howard	Woods
Jech	

**BUSINESS and COMMERCE**

Coleman, Chair  
Thompson, Kristen, Vice-Chair

Brooks	Prieto
Burns	Pugh
Deevers	Seifried
Haste	Weaver
Jett	Young
Newhouse	

**EDUCATION**

Pugh, Chair  
Seifried, Vice-Chair

Bergstrom	Murdock
Daniels	Paxton
Deevers	Pemberton
Dossett	Rader
Green	Thompson, K.
Hicks	

**ENERGY and TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

Paxton, Chair  
Green, Vice-Chair

Boren	Jett
Bullard	Kidd
Deevers	Newhouse
Dossett	Rader
Howard	Woods

**FINANCE**

Rader, Chair  
Howard, Vice-Chair

Daniels	Rosino
Hall	Standridge
Hicks	Stanley
Kirt	Stewart
Murdock	Thompson, R.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Garvin, Chair  
Stewart, Vice-Chair

Alvord	Rogers
Bergstrom	Seifried
Floyd	Weaver
Hamilton	Young
Murdock	

**HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES**

Rosino, Chair  
Haste, Vice-Chair

Daniels	Prieto
Gollihare	Pugh
Hall	Standridge
Hicks	Stanley
Pemberton	Young

**JUDICIARY**

Howard, Chair  
Gollihare, Vice-Chair

Boren	Hall
Brooks	Jech
Bullard	Standridge
Daniels	Stewart
Floyd	Weaver

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Jech, Chair  
Coleman, Vice-Chair

Brooks	Hicks
Burns	Matthews
Dahm	Pederson
Dugger	Stephens
Gollihare	Thompson, K.

**RETIREMENT and INSURANCE**

Pemberton, Chair  
Jett, Vice-Chair

Coleman	Matthews
Dugger	Prieto
Garvin	Woods
Hamilton	Young

**RULES**

Daniels, Chair  
Paxton, Vice-Chair

Bergstrom	Jech
Bullard	Kidd
Coleman	Kirt
Floyd	Pemberton
Garvin	Pugh
Hall	Rader
Haste	Rosino
Howard	Stanley

**TOURISM and WILDLIFE**

Bullard, Chair  
Pederson, Vice-Chair

Bergstrom	Gollihare
Dahm	Matthews
Dossett	Pemberton
Dugger	Stephens
Garvin	

**VETERANS and MILITARY AFFAIRS**

Stanley, Chair  
Hamilton, Vice-Chair

Dossett	Paxton
Gollihare	Pederson
Jett	Seifried
Kidd	Stewart
Kirt	

**APPROPRIATIONS  
SUBCOMMITTEES**

President Pro Tempore Treat, Senator McCortney, Senator Hall and Senator Rosino are ex officio voting members of all Appropriations Subcommittees.

**EDUCATION**

Pugh, Chair  
Thompson, Kristen, Vice-Chair

Boren	Seifried
Kidd	Stanley
Rader	

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT and TRANSPORTATION**

Haste, Chair  
Woods, Vice-Chair

Alvord	Matthews
Hamilton	Weaver

**HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES**

Rosino, Chair  
Gollihare, Vice-Chair

Bergstrom	Kirt
Garvin	Standridge
Hicks	

**NATURAL RESOURCES and REGULATORY SERVICES**

Jech, Chair  
Burns, Vice-Chair

Bullard	Jett
Dossett	Paxton

**OMES/ARPA OVERSIGHT**

Green, Chair  
Newhouse, Vice-Chair

Coleman	Kirt
Deevers	Pemberton



**PUBLIC SAFETY and JUDICIARY**

Howard, Chair  
Stephens, Vice-Chair

Daniels	Rogers
Murdock	Young

**SELECT AGENCIES**

Dugger, Chair  
Prieto, Vice-Chair

Dahm	Pederson
Floyd	Stewart

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
and BUDGET and GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON  
APPROPRIATIONS**

The members of the Senate appointed to serve on the Senate Committee on Appropriations shall also be the members of the Joint Committee on Appropriations and Budget pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 4.1(b) and the General Conference Committee on Appropriations pursuant to the provisions of Senate Rule 7-8. President Pro Tempore Treat and Senator McCortney are ex officio voting members of all Senate committees.

**SELECT COMMITTEE**

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS RETENTION AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT**

Treat, Chair  
Thompson, Kristen, Vice-Chair

Alvord	Haste
Bergstrom	Kirt
Coleman	Pederson
Floyd	Pugh
Hall	Rogers

**PENDING CONSIDERATION OF HAS**

**HAs to SB 1456** were concurred in upon motion of Senator Treat.

**SB 1456**, as amended by the Honorable House, was read at length.

On the question of passage of the bill and emergency, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye: Alvord, Bergstrom, Boren, Bullard, Burns, Coleman, Dahm, Deevers, Dossett, Dugger, Floyd, Garvin, Gollihare, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Haste, Hicks, Jech, Jett, Kidd, Kirt, Matthews, McCortney, Murdock, Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson, Pemberton, Prieto, Pugh, Rader, Rogers, Rosino, Seifried, Stanley, Stephens, Stewart, Treat, Weaver, Woods and Young.--42.

Excused: Brooks, Daniels, Howard, Standridge, Thompson (Kristen) and Thompson (Roger).--6.

The bill and emergency passed.

House amendments were properly signed and the above-numbered bill was referred for enrollment.

**PENDING CONSIDERATION OF HAS**

**HAs to SB 1457** were concurred in upon motion of Senator Treat.

**SB 1457**, as amended by the Honorable House, was read at length.

On the question of passage of the bill, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye: Alvord, Bergstrom, Boren, Bullard, Burns, Coleman, Dahm, Deevers, Dossett, Dugger, Floyd, Garvin, Gollihare, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Haste, Hicks, Jech, Jett, Kidd, Kirt, Matthews, McCortney, Murdock, Newhouse, Pederson, Pemberton, Prieto, Pugh, Rader, Rogers, Rosino, Seifried, Stanley, Stephens, Stewart, Treat, Weaver, Woods and Young.--41.

Excused: Brooks, Daniels, Howard, Standridge, Thompson (Kristen) and Thompson (Roger).--6.

\*Constitutional Privilege: Paxton.--1.

\*Senator Paxton asked to be shown not voting on **SB 1457** for reason of personal interest, as provided in Article V, Section 24, Oklahoma Constitution.

The bill passed.

House amendments were properly signed and the above-numbered bill was referred for enrollment.

#### **PENDING CONSIDERATION OF HAS**

**HAs to SB 1283** were concurred in upon motion of Senator Treat.

**SB 1283**, as amended by the Honorable House, was read at length.

On the question of passage of the bill, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye: Alvord, Bergstrom, Boren, Bullard, Burns, Coleman, Deever, Dossett, Dugger, Floyd, Garvin, Gollihare, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Haste, Hicks, Howard, Jech, Jett, Kidd, Kirt, Matthews, McCortney, Murdock, Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson, Pemberton, Prieto, Pugh, Rader, Rogers, Rosino, Seifried, Stanley, Stephens, Stewart, Treat, Weaver, Woods and Young.--42.

Nay: Dahm.--1.

Excused: Brooks, Daniels, Standridge, Thompson (Kristen) and Thompson (Roger).--5.

The bill passed.

House amendments were properly signed and the above-numbered bill was referred for enrollment.

#### **REPORT OF ENGROSSED AND ENROLLED MEASURES**

**SCRs 22** and **23** were each correctly engrossed, properly signed and ordered transmitted to the Honorable House for consideration.

**PENDING CONSIDERATION OF HAs**

**HAs to SBs 359, 482, 519, 526, 1257, 1264, 1272, 1419, 1450, 1490, 1675 and 1860** were rejected upon motion of Senator McCortney, conference requested, and Senate conferees to be named later.

**PENDING CONSIDERATION OF CCR**

The **CCR on HB 2804** was rejected upon motion of Senator McCortney, further conference requested, and Senate conferees to be named later.

**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

Advising passage of and returning the following Engrossed measures:

**SCR 22**  
**SCR 23**

The above-numbered measures were referred for enrollment.

**REPORT OF ENGROSSED AND ENROLLED MEASURES**

**SBs 1283, 1456 and 1457** were each correctly enrolled and after fourth reading, properly signed and ordered transmitted to the Honorable House for signature of the Speaker.

**SCRs 22 and 23** were each correctly enrolled, properly signed and ordered transmitted to the Honorable House for signature of the Speaker.

**MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

Advising the signing of and returning Enrolled **SCRs 19, 22 and 23**.

The above-numbered enrolled measures were transmitted to the Secretary of State.

Advising fourth reading of and returning Enrolled **SBs 1283, 1456 and 1457**.

The above-numbered enrolled measures were referred to the Governor.

Advising concurrence in **SAs** to and passage of Engrossed **HBs 1068, 2141 and 2956** and **HJR 1035**.

Advising rejection of **SAs** to the following bills, requesting conference and House conferees to be named later as follows:

**HB 1048**  
**HB 3766**  
**HB 3961**  
**HB 3972**

Advising fourth reading of and transmitting for signature Enrolled **HBs 1544, 2330, 3169 and 3388**.

The above-numbered enrolled measures were, after fourth reading, properly signed and ordered returned to the Honorable House.

## **EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

The following executive nominations were read and referred to the committee indicated:

Allton, Saxon D., Oklahoma City, as a member of the Oklahoma Arts Council - Education

Bergen, Susan, Norman, as a member of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges - Education

Broome, Patricia G., Roff, as a member of the Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority - Finance

Broome, Patricia G., Roff, as a member of the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority - Finance

Cockroft, Joshua M., Norman, as Secretary of State - General Government

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Cooper, Jennifer A., Broken Arrow, as a member of the State Board of Behavioral Health Licensure - Health and Human Services

Cramer, MD, Timothy Luke, Edmond, as a member of the Health Care Workforce Training Commission - Health and Human Services

Dark, Anderson, Oklahoma City, as a member of the Capitol-Medical Center Improvement and Zoning Commission - General Government

Devinney, James, Ponca City, as a member of the Board of Trustees for the University Center at Ponca City - Education

Favata, Daniel, Oklahoma City, as a member of the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission - Business and Commerce

Friesen, Victoria A., Edmond, as Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services - Health and Human Services

Fritz, Steven J., Jenks, as a member of the Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors - Health and Human Services

Goldmann, Wilber Warren, Weatherford, as a member of the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission - Business and Commerce

Goode, Scott B., Tulsa, as a member of the Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors - Health and Human Services

Hoffman, M.D., C.P.E., Todd G., Mounds, as a member of the Oklahoma State Athletic Commission - Business and Commerce

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Jordan, Kyle, Idabel, as a member of the Board of Trustees for Southeastern Oklahoma State University-McCurtain County Campus - Education

Kindrick, Alexandria Belle, Mounds, as a member of the Environmental Quality Board - Energy and Telecommunications

Lancaster, Joshua T., Oklahoma City, as a member of the Alarm, Locksmith and Fire Sprinkler Industry Committee - Business and Commerce

Landon, Russ L., Edmond, as a member of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Commission - Public Safety

Lee, Bryan C., Bixby, as a member of the Board of Trustees for Oklahoma State University/Tulsa - Education

Levit, Kenneth J., Tulsa, as a member of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education - Education

Lowry, Brandi, Edmond, as a member of the Environmental Quality Board - Energy and Telecommunications

Lundry, Jerrod S., Haworth, as a member of the Board of Trustees for Southeastern Oklahoma State University-McCurtain County Campus - Education

Lyman, Robert K., Edmond, as a member of the Oklahoma Space Industry Development Authority - Aeronautics and Transportation

Lynn, Julie D., Skiatook, as a member of the State Fire Marshal Commission - General Government

McCain, Tyrel J., Edmond, as a member of the Oklahoma State Credit Union Board - Business and Commerce

Minnix, James R., Edmond, as a member of the Oklahoma Accountancy Board - Business and Commerce

Mitchell, Phoebe B., Oklahoma City, as a member of the Capitol-Medical Center Improvement and Zoning Commission - General Government

Nofire, John W., Park Hill, as a member of the Oklahoma State Athletic Commission - Business and Commerce

Pearson, Joshua R., Balko, as a member of the Oklahoma Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board - Energy and Telecommunications

Perry, Chuck, Broken Arrow, as a member of the Regional University System of Oklahoma - Education

Rasmussen, Steve, OKC, as a member of the Oklahoma State Credit Union Board - Business and Commerce

Reed, Ella C., Newcastle, as a member of the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology - Health and Human Services

Schoonover, DVM, Jennifer L., Mulhall, as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners - Tourism and Wildlife

Stanley, David T., Edmond, as a member of the Oklahoma Securities Commission - Business and Commerce

Stern, John, Edmond, as a member of the Committee of Home Inspector Examiners - Business and Commerce

Tatum, Sheldon, Calvin, as a member of the Environmental Quality Board - Energy and Telecommunications

Visor, M.D., Rick L., Guthrie, as a member of the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology - Health and Human Services

Waldroup, Jason C., Oklahoma City, as a member of the Oklahoma Abstractors Board - Business and Commerce

Ward, Jackie, Sand Springs, as a member of the Alarm, Locksmith and Fire Sprinkler Industry Committee - Business and Commerce

Weathers, Mark D., Watts, as a member of the Arkansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Compact Commission - Energy and Telecommunications

Wilber, Jefferson P., Cherokee, as a member of the Air Quality Advisory Council - Energy and Telecommunications

Willett, Justin M., Tulsa, as a member of the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission - Business and Commerce

Senator McCortney moved that when the clerk's desk is clear, the Senate stand adjourned to convene Monday, May 6, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., which motion prevailed.



**CHANGE IN AUTHORS/COAUTHORS**

The following measures were authored/coauthored:

**SB 426** - Coauthored by Senator Pederson

**SB 1283** - Coauthored by Senator Stephens

**SB 1457** - Coauthored by Representative Menz

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

Advising his approval May 2, 2024, of Enrolled **SB 1516**.

Pursuant to the McCortney motion, the Senate adjourned at 10:20 a.m. to meet Monday, May 6, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

**JOURNAL CORRECTION**

Wednesday, April 15, 2024, Page 754, by correcting the committee assignment for executive nominee Guthrie, Carelyn from “Public Safety” to “Judiciary”.