

Senate Journal

First Regular Session of the Fifty-fourth Legislature of the State of Oklahoma

First Legislative Day, Tuesday, January 8, 2013

Pursuant to Article V, Section 26, of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, the Senate of the First Regular Session of the Fifty-fourth Legislature assembled in its Chamber at 12:00 noon.

The President of the Senate, Lieutenant Governor Todd Lamb, called the Senate to Order.

The invocation was offered by Reverend Wally Johnson, First Presbyterian Church in Sapulpa, guest of Senator Bingman.

The roll call was ordered on the twenty-four hold over members of the Senate:

Ayes: Aldridge, Allen, Ballenger, Bass, Bingman, Branam, Brecheen, Brinkley, Brown, Burrage, Coates, David, Fields, Griffin, Holt, Ivester, Johnson (C), Johnson (R), McAffrey, Schulz, Shortey, Simpson, Sparks and Sykes.—24.

COMMUNICATION

Lieutenant Governor Lamb directed the following Communication from the State Election Board be read on the certification of the newly elected members of the Senate.

November 28, 2012

The Honorable Brian Bingman
President Pro Tempore, Oklahoma State Senate
State Capitol
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Sir:

Upon the face of the returns of the General Election, November 6, 2012, certified to this office by the several County Election Boards of the State, the candidates named in the list

attached appear to have been regularly elected as Members of the Oklahoma State Senate for the districts indicated.

Certificates of Election have been issued to them by this Board, entitling each to participate in the preliminary organization of the Senate.

NAME	POL.	ADDRESS	DIST. NO.
Charles Wyrick	D	Fairland	1
Wayne Shaw	R	Grove	3
Jerry Ellis	D	Valliant	5
Larry Boggs	R	Wilburton	7
Earl Garrison	D	Muskogee	9
Jabar Shumate	D	Tulsa	11
Susan Paddock	D	Ada	13
Rob Standridge	R	Norman	15
Ron Sharp	R	Shawnee	17
Patrick Anderson	R	Enid	19
Jim Halligan	R	Stillwater	21
Ron Justice	R	Chickasha	23
Mike Mazzei	R	Tulsa	25
Bryce Marlatt	R	Woodward	27
John Ford	R	Bartlesville	29
Don Barrington	R	Lawton	31
Nathan Dahm	R	Broken Arrow	33
Gary Stanislawski	R	Tulsa	35
Dan Newberry	R	Tulsa	37
Brian A. Crain	R	Tulsa	39
Clark Jolley	R	Edmond	41
Corey Brooks	R	Washington	43
Kyle D. Loveless	R	Oklahoma City	45
Greg Treat	R	Oklahoma City	47

Sincerely,

/s/PAUL ZIRIAX, Secretary
State Election Board

OATH OF OFFICE

Lieutenant Governor Lamb announced that the Official Oath of Office as required by the Constitution was administered to twenty-three of the newly elected members on November 14, 2012 by Chief Justice Steven W. Taylor of the Oklahoma Supreme Court and to Senator Mike Mazzei on November 16, 2012 by Judge Sarah Day Smith of the District Court of Tulsa County.

Lieutenant Governor Lamb ordered the roll called on the newly elected members of the Senate.

Present: Anderson, Barrington, Boggs, Brooks, Crain, Dahm, Ellis, Ford, Garrison, Halligan, Jolley, Justice, Loveless, Marlatt, Newberry, Paddack, Sharp, Shaw, Shumate, Standridge, Stanislawski, Treat and Wyrick.—23.

Excused: Mazzei.—1.

Lieutenant Governor Lamb declared a quorum present.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Senator Schulz moved that Senator Brian Bingman be elected President Pro Tempore of the Senate for the Fifty-fourth Legislature. Senator Burrage seconded the nomination and moved that the nominations cease.

The motion was declared adopted upon roll call as follows:

Ayes: Allen, Anderson, Ballenger, Barrington, Bass, Bingman, Boggs, Branan, Brecheen, Brinkley, Brooks, Brown, Burrage, Coates, Crain, Dahm, David, Ellis, Fields, Ford, Garrison, Griffin, Halligan, Holt, Ivester, Johnson (C), Johnson (R), Jolley, Justice, Loveless, Marlatt, McAffrey, Newberry, Paddack, Schulz, Sharp, Shaw, Shortey, Shumate, Simpson, Sparks, Standridge, Stanislawski, Sykes, Treat and Wyrick.—46.

Excused: Aldridge and Mazzei.—2.

Having been duly elected by a majority of the members of the Senate, Senator Bingman was declared the President Pro Tempore of the Senate for the Fifty-fourth Legislature.

Senator Lamb moved that the President appoint a committee to escort President Pro Tempore Bingman to the President's desk.

The motion was declared adopted and the President appointed Senators Griffin, Brooks, Dahm and Standridge as the special committee.

Lieutenant Governor Lamb addressed the Senate.

Lieutenant Governor Lamb, on behalf of the Senate, congratulated President Pro Tempore Bingman and handed the gavel to the President Pro Tempore.

President Pro Tempore Bingman delivered the following address:

Thank you, Mr. President, Leader Schulz, and Leader Burrage. I am grateful for the leadership shown by each of you—thank you for your continued service to this great state.

Before I continue, I want to recognize my family—my wife Paula, our children and our wonderful grandchildren. Though they could not be here today, I certainly couldn't continue my service without the love and the support of my wonderful family.

It is a tremendous honor—a very, very high honor—to lead this body, the Oklahoma State Senate. I believe we represent more than a deliberative body, more than just the upper chamber of our state legislature. The honorable men and women on the floor of this Senate—Republican and Democrat alike—are some of the best, some of the brightest. From Woodward to Poteau, from Grove to Altus, we represent 48 individual districts. Each has its own special quality, its own unique story. We do indeed represent 48 districts. But together, I am proud to say, we represent: one Oklahoma.

I want to thank each of you for your contributions to the Senate, for your contributions to your communities. It's a pleasure to know each of you, to call you friends, and to work, shoulder-to-shoulder, for a more prosperous Oklahoma. I could not be more pleased to be part of such a tradition. Thank you for your friendship, and thank you for the opportunity to serve again as your President Pro Tempore. I will continue to do my best, to listen, to work toward policy, toward solutions instead of politics. I will continue to feel fortunate every single day to have the opportunity to serve not only this state we all love, but to serve this Senate.

Fellow Senators—we have much to be proud of. Though we remain, as a nation, in a time of trial—Oklahoma remains—strong, prosperous, innovative. Oklahomans are optimistic. We look to the future. We have—what so many of our fellow states have not—forward momentum.

Though far too many Oklahomans are without work, we have fared so much better than the rest of the nation. We should be encouraged, we should be proud. And just like Oklahoman's do—we won't sit on our laurels, believing the good times are here to stay. No, we will look to the future—our future—and press on. We will build on our momentum. Seize the day. Our time is now—we know this to be true, and we will realize this vision together if we stay the course. My hope, my vision, my challenge to you, my fellow Senators: Together, let's stay the course. Today is a day to recognize our blessings, to celebrate our strengths.

I'd like to take just a minute to say congratulations to a good friend. He isn't with us at this moment, in this chamber. He's a little busy, actually—on the other side of our capitol rotunda, delivering remarks of his own on a momentous occasion. T.W. Shannon today becomes the next Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives. Others will speak and write on the historic nature of his position on this day—but I want to say, simply, congratulations...Mr. Speaker. I know Speaker Shannon to be a man of extraordinary

character, a man of faith, of family, and a man of firm conservative principle. He is a gifted leader. I look forward to working with the Speaker as we confront Oklahoma's toughest challenges, as we work toward a brighter, more prosperous state, and together, stay the course.

While we have much to be proud of—there remain challenges before us. Our economy is strong, yet we each know too many of our friends, our loved ones, our neighbors who are struggling in this national recession, in this sluggish recovery made worse almost daily by Washington politicians. Though we should be thankful for Oklahoma's strength in our time of national trial, we know we can do more.

We can do more to create an environment for job growth. We can do more to promote the principles of the free-market. We can do more to protect Oklahoma's historic businesses and industries that have done so much—to help them grow jobs in a business climate, a prosperous climate, one where government gets out of the way. Oklahoma should continue to be a place where serious job creators come to do business, a place characterized by words like certainty, freedom, opportunity.

Our business leaders say the number one roadblock to growing jobs and economic prosperity in Oklahoma is clear. It's a big roadblock—an adversarial, run-away workers' compensation system. Comprehensive workers' compensation reform is our single greatest challenge. What we have is plain to you, and it's plain to me—we have a status-quo, inefficient, ineffective, adversarial system. It's bad for business. And worst of all, it doesn't do a very good job of doing what we say it's supposed to do. We say our workers' compensation system should be about people, about hurt workers—and this is exactly what we should be doing: making sure Oklahomans who get hurt on the job site get access to quality care, get healed up quickly, and get back to work. Instead, our system isn't about helping workers. It's about helping trial-lawyers. Trial-lawyers game the system. They drag cases out and drive up costs. Meanwhile, Oklahoma's economy foots the bill—in fact, our system ranks as one of the most expensive in the nation. If we are truly serious about our message of jobs and economic growth, and I believe we are very serious, it starts with comprehensive, meaningful, wholesale reform of our runaway workers' compensation system.

I know this is our greatest challenge. I hear about it from small-business owners across Oklahoma—from Woodward to McAlester, from Bartlesville to Lawton. Our workers' compensation system is broken. Let's fix it—and together, let's stay the course.

Our tax climate can be, and should be, friendlier to hard working Oklahomans and strong Oklahoma businesses alike. We should continue striving to make sure Oklahomans get to put more of their hard-earned money back in their pockets. It would be easy to look back and say: it is hard to find compromise, and it isn't worth it. But Oklahomans aren't in the business of taking the easy way out.

So let's press forward by responsibly and thoughtfully cutting taxes for Oklahomans, while targeting taxpayer dollars to important, fundamental government services, things like

teaching in the classroom, and making sure our law enforcement offices have the resources they need to keep our families and communities safe. Fixing our broken bridges, and building new roads—thoroughfares for business—these things are important, too. Let's fiercely protect these core functions of government; but doing so does not preclude us from a thoughtful, reasonable, and cautious tax cut. Protecting these services doesn't preclude us from diligently examining our tax code—we owe it to taxpayers to ask the hard questions, to see if each and every element of our tax code can pass a fundamental test: does this help grow jobs and prosperity in the state of Oklahoma?

Continued prosperity in Oklahoma depends on a coming debate about the role of an adversarial workers' compensation system, it depends on a coming debate about how much hard-working Oklahomans should pay in taxes, and it depends on an ongoing debate about the size, scope, and reach of government into our everyday lives. It also depends on a quality education for each and every Oklahoma child. Not only is it of vital importance to our future as a state—we must have a highly educated, skilled workforce, equipped for the 21st century—but it is the right thing to do for our state, our communities, our families, and our kids.

Republicans have advanced bold education reform measures in the past couple of years. We must remain faithful to the reforms we have passed—this will require us to be continually engaged, to listen to the needs of parents, school officials, and teachers in the classroom. It will require us to be thoughtful—recognizing that change, that charting a new course to meet momentous obligations to our children, can and will be sometimes difficult. And it will require us to step up to the plate as a legislative body, to make sure teachers in the classroom have the resources they need to do their jobs effectively.

We all know education has been and continues to be a challenge in Oklahoma. We must address funding issues in education, and faithfully commit to narrowly, thoughtfully targeting increased dollars to fund historic education reforms. These reforms were designed in part to make sure hard-earned taxpayer dollars end up where they should go—to the classroom. And as good stewards of taxpayer dollars, we will work to that end—additional dollars should go toward teaching our kids in the classroom.

As a chamber, we ought to fund the reforms. We ought to fund our future. Together, let's stay the course. I know it will not be easy to confront our most pressing challenges, but I know the solutions are worth it. A more prosperous Oklahoma is worth it.

Though our challenges remain, the solutions, the positive, forward-thinking solutions, are easily within our reach. And we ought not to be deterred, to paraphrase a great American President, from a righteous cause. We have been, and so we should continue to be, about solutions.

Let's look at successful states, many of whom are our neighbors...and our competitors...Places where business and employees have shunned an adversarial workers' compensation system. Instead of helping trial-lawyers get rich, they help employees and employers sit down together, seeking solutions and quick, quality care for hurt employees.

Let's renew the fight for lower taxes, for smaller, simpler, and smarter government. Let's do right by our kids and do everything in our power to give them the best education we can. And if we do that, we'll do right by Oklahoma's 21st century businesses—remember: they are bringing high-tech, high-paying jobs in industries like energy, defense, and aerospace. They need 21st century work forces to keep our economy humming.

The 54th Oklahoma Legislature represents challenges, and with challenges come opportunity. Together, let's stay the course, recognizing that Oklahoman's have forged a century and more of statehood by confronting challenges head on. By pressing forward—not wincing, limping, or anticipating the next hit to come—but by pressing forward boldly, recognizing the opportunity to build a future for our kids and grandkids.

I look forward to the 54th Legislature, and I am again, deeply humbled, to serve as President Pro Tempore in a body I am so proud to be part of. God bless our nation, and God bless Oklahoma.

INTRODUCTION

Senator Bingman introduced former Senator Ted Fisher to the Senate.

SENATE RULES

Senator Schulz moved that the Code of Conduct and the Rules for the Fifty-third Legislature, as amended by the proposal that have been distributed, be adopted as the Code of Conduct and Rules for the Fifty-fourth Legislature, which motion was declared adopted.

The Code of Conduct and Senate Rules for the Fifty-fourth Legislature, as amended and adopted, read as follows:

**SENATE RULES
FOR THE
~~FIFTY-THIRD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE (2011-2012)~~
FIFTY-FOURTH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE (2013-2014)**

**BEING THE STANDING RULES FOR
CONDUCTING BUSINESS OF
THE STATE SENATE OF OKLAHOMA,
~~FIFTY-THIRD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE (2011-2012)~~
FIFTY-FOURTH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE (2013-2014)**

CODE OF CONDUCT AND STANDARDS

**CHAPTER 1
APPLICATION, PURPOSE, INTERPRETATION
AND AMENDMENT OF THE RULES**

RULE 1-1. AUTHORITY AND APPLICATION. The Oklahoma State Senate hereby adopts these rules pursuant to the authority of Section 30 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution. Upon adoption by a majority of the members of the Senate unless and until amended, the following rules shall be the rules for the conduct of business by the Senate.

RULE 1-2. PURPOSE. The purpose of the rules is to provide the members of the Senate with uniform, easily understood procedures for the conduct of business.

RULE 1-3. INTERPRETATION. When the Senate is in daily session, interpretation of the rules shall be made by the President Pro Tempore or by an elected member of the Senate designated by the President Pro Tempore as Presiding Officer pursuant to Senate Rule 2-4; when a committee is meeting, interpretation of the rules shall be made by the committee chair, or in the chair's absence the vice-chair, of the committee; and at all other times interpretation of the rules shall be made by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. Such interpretations shall be final unless an appeal of a ruling is made successfully in the following manner:

A. Before other business is transacted by the Senate or by the committee, a member of the Senate 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 Senate or by the committee.

C. A motion to adopt a substitute ruling shall be subject to all other Senate Rules pertaining to motions.

RULE 1-4. AMENDMENT. Any Senate Rule may be amended upon two-thirds vote of the members of the Senate.

RULE 1-5. SUSPENSION. Except as provided in subsection F of Rule 12-21, any Senate Rule may be suspended upon two-thirds vote of the members of the Senate.

RULE 1-6. MASON'S MANUAL. For matters not specifically covered under the Senate Rules, the person making an interpretation of the Rules pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1-3 may apply the provisions of Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure.

**CHAPTER 2
SENATE OFFICERS**

RULE 2-1. OFFICERS. Officers of the Senate shall be:

The President, who shall be the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Oklahoma;

The President Pro Tempore, who shall be the Presiding Officer of the Senate;

Such other officers as may be designated by the Majority and Minority caucuses; provided, the Majority Floor Leader shall serve as acting President Pro Tempore in the event that the President Pro Tempore vacates the office on a temporary basis. If the President Pro Tempore shall vacate the office on a permanent basis, the Majority Floor Leader shall serve as acting President Pro Tempore until such time as the Senate shall elect a new President Pro Tempore; and

The Secretary.

RULE 2-2. ELECTION. The President Pro Tempore shall be elected by a majority of the members of the Senate when the Senate convenes on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of each odd-numbered year. The Secretary of the Senate, who shall not be a member of the Senate, shall be elected by a majority of the members following election of the President Pro Tempore and announcement of the other officers.

RULE 2-3. TERMS. The terms of all member officers of the Senate shall begin on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of each odd-numbered year and shall be for two years; provided, however, that the designee of the Majority Caucus for the office of President Pro Tempore and the designee of the Minority Caucus for Minority Floor Leader shall assume the duties of and have the full authority of their respective offices on the fifteenth day following the General Election.

RULE 2-4. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE.

A. The President Pro Tempore shall be the chief executive officer of the Senate and shall prescribe all policies not otherwise provided by law or by the rules.

The President Pro Tempore shall serve as Presiding Officer of the Senate during its daily sessions but may designate another member of the Senate to serve as Presiding Officer at such times as the President Pro Tempore deems appropriate. Wherever the title "Presiding Officer" appears in the rules it shall mean the President Pro Tempore or an elected member of the Senate designated by the President Pro Tempore as Presiding Officer.

B. The President Pro Tempore may refer any matter concerning exercise of the Senate's discretionary powers and duties under Section 30 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution to a standing committee or select committee as the President Pro Tempore deems appropriate.

C. The President Pro Tempore shall determine the duties to be performed for the Senate by the Secretary of the Senate and shall designate a Chief of Staff to be responsible for staff duties not assigned to the Secretary of the Senate. The President Pro Tempore or a designee shall be responsible for the issuance of all warrants and vouchers and the maintenance of an accurate account of expenditures by the Senate.

**CHAPTER 3
STAFF**

RULE 3-1. EXECUTIVE ASSISTANTS. Each member of the Senate shall be entitled to designate an executive assistant. Executive assistants shall serve at the discretion of, and perform such duties as prescribed by, the individual member of the Senate for whom employed, subject to such policies as may be established by the President Pro Tempore.

RULE 3-2. LEADERSHIP STAFF. The President Pro Tempore shall be entitled to employ a leadership staff. Leadership staff shall serve at the discretion of, for such compensation pursuant to law as may be determined by, and perform such duties as prescribed by, the President Pro Tempore.

RULE 3-3. SERVICE STAFF. The Chief of Staff, subject to the review and supervision of the President Pro Tempore, shall be authorized to employ service staff. Service staff shall be employed according to policies established by the President Pro Tempore and shall receive such compensation pursuant to law as may be determined by, and perform such duties as prescribed by, the President Pro Tempore.

**CHAPTER 4
RECORDS, AUDITS AND PROPERTY**

RULE 4-1. OPEN RECORDS. All official records of the proceedings of the Senate and its committees shall be open for public inspection during regular office hours.

RULE 4-2. MANDATORY AUDIT. The President Pro Tempore shall cause an audit of the Senate's expenditures to be made at least once each fiscal year.

RULE 4-3. PHYSICAL PROPERTY. The President Pro Tempore shall be responsible for the physical property of the Senate and for that portion of the Capitol assigned to the Senate. The Chief of Staff, under direction of the President Pro Tempore, shall be authorized to perform routine repairs, maintenance and upkeep on such property and facilities.

RULE 4-4. SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT. The use of Senate supplies and equipment, including Senate postage meters, is restricted to official Senate business. Questions of compliance shall be resolved by the President Pro Tempore or, at the discretion of the President Pro Tempore, the Rules Committee.

**CHAPTER 5
LEGISLATION**

RULE 5-1. LEGISLATION. Legislation to be considered by the Senate shall be limited to Senate Bills, Senate Joint Resolutions, Senate Concurrent Resolutions, Senate Resolutions, House Bills, House Joint Resolutions and House Concurrent Resolutions.

RULE 5-2. INTRODUCTION. Except as may be limited by Senate Rule 16-1, Senate Bills, Senate Joint Resolutions, Senate Concurrent Resolutions and Senate Resolutions may be introduced at any time beginning on the fifteenth day of November of each even-numbered year and ending at the time of sine die adjournment of the Second Session during the following even-numbered year. Legislation may be introduced by presentation to the Secretary of the Senate, together with as many copies as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Senate. Each Senate Bill or Resolution shall be assigned a number by the Secretary of the Senate. House Bills, House Joint Resolutions and House Concurrent Resolutions may be introduced upon receipt of a message from the House of Representatives advising passage and engrossment of the measure.

RULE 5-3. FORM. No legislation shall be introduced in the Senate, except for House Bills, House Joint Resolutions and House Concurrent Resolutions, unless that legislation shall include a Title and an Enacting or Resolving Clause.

RULE 5-4. RESTRICTIONS. For consideration by the Senate, Senate Concurrent Resolutions, Senate Resolutions and House Concurrent Resolutions shall be limited to the following purposes:

- A. Memorializing Congress, the President of the United States, or an executive agency of the federal government;
- B. Communicating with another entity of state government, or a subdivision thereof;
- C. Disapproving an administrative rule;
- D. Expressing legislative intent;
- E. Expressing policies of the Senate; and
- F. Such other purposes specifically approved by the President Pro Tempore.

RULE 5-5. AUTHORS AND COAUTHORS. After introduction in the Senate of any bill or resolution, no Senator or Representative shall be shown or removed as author or coauthor on the face of the bill or resolution unless the Senator or Representative shall submit a written or electronic request to be so shown to the Secretary of the Senate or person designated by the Secretary of the Senate. The change in authorship shall be shown on the face of the next official version of the bill or resolution; provided, however, a printed substitute for or an electronic version of a bill or resolution may ~~be shown~~ show in parentheses, and the electronic voting machine may display immediately, any author or coauthor changes that have been submitted.

While a Senate Bill, Senate Joint Resolution or Senate Concurrent Resolution is within the physical control of the Senate, the principal Senate author of the bill or resolution shall have full and complete discretion in determining who the principal House author of the bill or resolution shall be.

RULE 5-6. DISTRIBUTION OF LEGISLATION.

A. No legislation or amendment shall be considered by the Senate unless a copy has been distributed to the desks of all members of the Senate, or has been made available to all members electronically, on a legislative day previous to consideration of the legislation.

B. Except as otherwise provided in this rule, no conference committee substitute shall be considered by the full Senate unless copies of such conference committee substitute shall have either:

1. Been distributed to the desks of all members of the Senate; or
2. Been made available to all members electronically ~~and the members are notified of such electronic availability;~~

~~and such distribution and notification of electronic availability occurs prior to the adjournment of the Senate on a legislative day previous to consideration of the measure. An announcement on the Senate floor, while the Senate is in session, of electronic availability shall constitute sufficient notification.~~

C. Subsection B of this rule shall not be applicable to

1. Appropriation bills, or
2. Any measure which is exempt from Senate Rule 16-1.

D. For purposes of this rule, an “appropriation bill” shall mean a measure which has ~~been recommended by~~ referred to the Committee on Appropriations, the Joint Committee on Appropriations and Budget or the General Conference Committee on Appropriations or which affects the receipt, expenditure or budgeting of state funds or funds under the control of an entity created by state law.

RULE 5-7. FINAL ACTION. If final action is such as to defeat an amendment, a bill or a resolution, no other amendment, bill or resolution having the same effect and covering the same specific or substantially similar subject matter shall be considered by the Senate during either session of the current Legislature, unless otherwise approved by the President Pro Tempore. Action constituting “final action” includes:

1. Failure of the motion “Do Pass” or “Do Pass as Amended” on a vote in a committee,

2. If a vote is taken on Third Reading or Fourth Reading and the measure fails to receive the required number of votes for passage, and
 - a. no notice is served to reconsider the vote,
 - b. a motion to reconsider the vote fails to prevail or expires, or
 - c. a motion to table the motion to reconsider prevails, or
3. In the case of an amendment, if the amendment fails to receive the required number of votes for adoption or if a motion to table prevails.

RULE 5-8. FINANCIAL IMPACT VERIFICATION. A. No amendment, bill or resolution which creates or expands a requirement for insurance coverage provided to state employees by a state agency shall be considered by the Senate or any committee thereof unless such amendment, bill or resolution is accompanied by documentation of the fiscal impact of the proposal on the policyholders and the state agency. The President Pro Tempore shall prescribe procedures for such documentation to be obtained from the ~~Oklahoma State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board~~ Office of Management and Enterprise Services or the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, as applicable.

The chair of a committee to which a bill or resolution subject to the provisions of this subsection is assigned may request the Majority Floor Leader to suspend the provisions of paragraph 4 or 6 of subsection A or paragraph 4 or 6 of subsection B of Rule 16-1; provided, any such suspension shall not suspend or affect any of the remaining dates set forth in Rule 16-1.

B. No amendment, bill or resolution which creates a direct fiscal impact on state tax revenues shall be considered by the Senate or any committee thereof unless such amendment, bill or resolution is accompanied by documentation of the fiscal impact of such amendment, bill or resolution. The President Pro Tempore shall prescribe procedures for such documentation to be obtained from the Oklahoma Tax Commission pursuant to the provisions of Section 118 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or from another source as designated by the President Pro Tempore.

C. No amendment, bill or resolution affecting a retirement system, as such term is defined in the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act, shall be considered by the Senate or any committee thereof unless such amendment, bill or resolution has been submitted to the legislative actuary as provided in the Act.

CHAPTER 6 PROPOSALS

RULE 6-1. PROPOSALS. Any member of the Senate may submit in writing to the President Pro Tempore a proposal for study or consideration by the Senate, subject to such deadlines for interim studies as may be established by the President Pro Tempore.

CHAPTER 7 COMMITTEES

RULE 7-1. TYPES AND NUMBER. There shall be two types of Senate committees established by the President Pro Tempore, ~~to-wit:~~ standing committees and select committees. The President Pro Tempore shall appoint the chair and vice-chair of each standing committee and of each select committee.

The President Pro Tempore may establish, and appoint the members of, as many ad hoc subcommittees of each standing committee as the President Pro Tempore deems appropriate. There shall be as many select committees as are created by the President Pro Tempore.

RULE 7-2. MEMBERSHIP. Membership on standing committees and on select committees shall be subject to the following:

A. The President Pro Tempore shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Senate, the Majority Caucus members and the chair and vice-chair of each standing committee.

B. The Minority Floor Leader shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Senate, the Minority Caucus members of each standing committee, other than a Minority Caucus member who is appointed as a chair or vice-chair of a committee by the President Pro Tempore.

C. Membership of standing committees shall be approved by a majority vote of members of the Senate. In the event of a vacancy or extended absence of a member of the Senate, a replacement member may be appointed by the President Pro Tempore or the Minority Floor Leader, as appropriate. Any such appointment shall be approved by a majority vote of members of the Senate.

D. The President Pro Tempore shall appoint all members of select committees.

E. The President Pro Tempore and Majority Floor Leader shall each be ex officio and voting members of all standing and select Senate committees.

RULE 7-3. DUTIES OF THE RULES COMMITTEE. The Rules Committee shall determine any policies of the Senate submitted to it by the President Pro Tempore. The Rules Committee shall have the duty of approving any language expressing legislative intent prior to such language being included in a bill or joint resolution. If a bill or joint resolution is filed which includes language expressing legislative intent, the bill or joint resolution shall be assigned to the Rules Committee for approval or removal of such language prior to the bill or resolution's consideration by another committee; provided, bills or resolutions assigned to the Joint Committee on Appropriations and Budget shall be exempt from this provision.

RULE 7-4. DUTIES OF ~~LEGISLATION~~ LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES. Each legislative committee shall be responsible for the formulation of legislative programs and determination of nonlegislative matters within the jurisdiction prescribed by the President Pro Tempore; shall inquire into the administration and execution of all laws within the same jurisdiction; shall consider such proposals as may be submitted to the committee by the President Pro Tempore; and shall be responsible for the continuing codification of all laws within the prescribed jurisdiction.

RULE 7-5. DUTIES OF SELECT COMMITTEES. Select committees shall be responsible for such duties as are prescribed at the time of their formation. No select committee shall be formed without its duties being expressly stated at the time of its formation. If a select committee is appointed for the purpose of conducting an investigation, the Senator requesting the investigation shall not serve as chair of the committee.

RULE 7-6. AUTHORITY OF COMMITTEES. Any Senate committee is authorized to issue process, compel attendance of witnesses, and to administer oaths to any person appearing before the committee. Any Senate committee which considers legislation is empowered to consolidate bills or resolutions, to develop committee substitutes for such bills or resolutions, to amend such bills or resolutions and to develop a committee bill or resolution irrespective of any other legislation.

RULE 7-7. PROCEDURES. The following procedures shall be observed by all ~~legislation~~ legislative committees of the Senate:

A. Subject to such exceptions as are provided hereinafter, committees of the Senate shall comply with provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. A copy of all notices required by said Act shall be provided to the Chief of Staff, who shall designate the appropriate place for such notices to be posted. The Chief of Staff shall cause to be posted one such notice on the bulletin board of the Senate located in a place in the Capitol accessible to the public and on the Senate web site and shall take such other actions as may be deemed appropriate to provide adequate notice to the public.

B. The chair of a committee shall schedule meetings of the committee. Meetings at a time other than the regularly scheduled meeting time of a committee shall not conflict with any regularly scheduled meeting of any other committee, except with the consent of the President Pro Tempore.

C. The agenda for any meeting of a committee shall be set by the chair and shall include the date, time and place of the meeting. A copy of the agenda shall be provided to members of the committee and to authors of legislation to be considered by the committee at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting unless otherwise approved by the President Pro Tempore. An agenda for a meeting scheduled to meet prior to or during the first three days of session may reflect a measure for which assignment to the committee is anticipated, and the committee may act upon the measure; ~~provided, the report of the committee's action on any such measure shall not be filed prior to the assignment of the~~

~~measure; further~~ provided, if the measure is not assigned to the committee during the first three days of session, any committee action on the measure taken prior to or during those days shall be of no force or effect ~~and shall not be reported.~~

D. A quorum shall be present when any committee votes on any matter. Any member of a committee may request a quorum call at any time the committee is meeting. A number equal to a majority of the appointed members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

E. The chair, or in the chair's absence the vice-chair, of the committee, or a designee, shall preside at meetings of the committee.

F. When considering legislation or conducting other business, committees shall observe the following procedures:

1. No person shall address the committee unless first recognized by the chair for that purpose.

2. When a legislative measure is taken up for consideration, the Senate author shall be recognized for explanation of the measure.

3. The Senate author shall be given the opportunity to answer questions put by members of the committee or other persons recognized by the chair.

4. The chair shall provide opportunity for presentation of amendments to the legislation by the Senate author or by any member of the committee. Any amendment must be seconded to receive further consideration. Provided, the Senate author or any member of the committee offering a committee substitute must submit the proposed committee substitute in writing or electronically to the chair no later than noon on the legislative day before the meeting of the committee. The chair may, at his or her discretion, waive the deadline set forth in this rule. When a committee substitute is submitted, the chair may approve the substitute to be heard by the committee and the committee substitute shall be considered a public record from the time of such approval.

5. Amendments and motions may be adopted by a voice vote; provided, however, that the Senate author, or any member of the committee, may require a roll call vote.

6. Amendments shall be considered in the order they appear in the legislation, or in the order they are presented to the clerk of the committee; provided, an amendment to restore the title or enacting clause shall be considered after disposition of all other amendments. The chair shall resolve any conflict resulting from claimed priority of presentation.

7. The author of an amendment shall explain the amendment and be afforded the opportunity to answer questions about the amendment put by members of the committee, the author of the legislation, or other persons recognized by the chair.

8. The chair may recognize any person for debate or comment on the proposed legislation or amendments thereto. The chair may limit the amount of time for any such debate or comment.

9. The vote on a recommendation by the committee to the Senate concerning a legislative measure shall be by recorded roll call and shall require a majority vote of a quorum of the members of the committee for passage. The only permitted recommendations to the Senate on a legislative measure are "DO PASS" or "DO PASS, AS AMENDED". A tie vote in a committee on the motion of "DO PASS" or "DO PASS, AS AMENDED" shall result in failure of the motion. All committee votes reflecting the votes of each member present and voting on the motion of "DO PASS" or "DO PASS, AS AMENDED" shall be entered in the Journal.

G. Except for legislation containing appropriations, all legislation originating in the Senate which is ~~recommended by a committee to the Senate~~ considered by a Senate committee shall contain an Enacting or Resolving Clause and both a Senate and a House author.

H. The chair may assign to any subcommittee any legislation, proposal or inquiry; provided, however, no subcommittee shall be permitted to report directly to the Senate, but rather shall report to the parent committee.

I. No person shall cause materials to be distributed at any committee meeting without first having obtained approval of the chair. The person causing the materials to be distributed shall be identified in writing on the face of such materials. Any document or other material distributed to all members of a committee of the Senate during a meeting which is open to the public shall be considered a public record from the time of such distribution.

~~J. 1. An amendment affecting a retirement system, as such term is defined in the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act, to a bill or resolution which has not been submitted to the legislative actuary as provided in the Act, shall be deemed to be out of order. If such a committee amendment is deemed to be out of order after its adoption, the committee or the full Senate may amend the bill or resolution to its form prior to the amendment. If such amendment is not made, the bill or resolution shall be returned to the committee from which it was reported.~~

~~2. An amendment which creates or expands a requirement for insurance coverage provided to state employees by a state agency which is not accompanied by written documentation of the fiscal impact thereof as required in subsection A of Rule 5-8, shall be deemed to be out of order. If such a committee amendment is deemed to be out of order after its adoption, the committee or the full Senate may amend the bill or resolution to its form prior to the amendment. If such amendment is not made, the bill or resolution shall be returned to the committee from which it was reported.~~

~~3. An amendment which creates a direct fiscal impact on state tax revenues which is not accompanied by written documentation of the fiscal impact thereof as required in subsection B of Rule 5-8, shall be deemed to be out of order. If such a committee~~

~~amendment is deemed to be out of order after its adoption, the committee or the full Senate may amend the bill or resolution to its form prior to the amendment. If such amendment is not made, the bill or resolution shall be returned to the committee from which it was reported.~~

CHAPTER 8 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

RULE 8-1. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE. Without prior notice, the Senate may, by motion approved by a majority of the members of the Senate, declare itself a Committee of the Whole, at which time the President Pro Tempore or a member designated by the President Pro Tempore shall chair the Committee of the Whole. Rules applicable to other Senate committees shall be applied to the Committee of the Whole, except those rules relating to notice.

RULE 8-2. REPORTS. Once the Committee of the Whole has reported a bill or resolution “DO PASS“ or “DO PASS, AS AMENDED“, to the Senate, that bill or resolution shall be considered on Third Reading and shall be voted upon without consideration of amendments or debate.

CHAPTER 9 EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

RULE 9-1. REFERRAL OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS. When Executive Nominations shall be made by the Governor or other appointing authority to the Senate, said nominations shall be referred for consideration to the standing committee which has in its jurisdiction the entity to which the nomination relates. Nominations shall be made by the Governor or other appointing authority to the Senate no later than May 1 of any year in order to be considered by the full Senate that year.

RULE 9-2. REJECTION. No person whose nomination has been rejected by the Senate shall be eligible to be later confirmed by the Senate during the same session for appointment to the same position. If an executive nomination is not approved during the regular session in which it is submitted, it shall be deemed rejected. If an interim executive nomination is not approved during the first regular session following its submission it shall be deemed rejected. The President Pro Tempore shall notify the appointing authority of the rejection of an executive nomination by the Senate, and shall likewise notify the chief executive of the entity to which the nomination relates.

CHAPTER 10 PROCEDURES FOR DAILY SESSIONS

RULE 10-1. TIME AND PLACE OF DAILY SESSIONS.

A. On the first Tuesday following the first Monday in January of each odd numbered year, the Senate shall convene in its chamber on the fourth floor of the Capitol at

twelve o'clock noon for the purposes only of performing the duties as required by Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution and organizing pursuant to the provisions of Article V of the Constitution and shall recess not later than five o'clock p.m. of that same day until the following first Monday in February of the same year, beginning at twelve o'clock noon.

B. On the first Monday in February of each year, the Senate shall convene in its chamber on the fourth floor of the Capitol at twelve o'clock noon. Thereafter, the Senate shall meet in daily sessions as necessary in the chamber until sine die adjournment. The time of each daily session shall be announced on the preceding legislative day; provided, however, that in the event no such announcement is made, the Senate shall convene at 1:30 p.m.

C. The Senate may convene in a location other than its chamber, as designated by the President Pro Tempore and upon informing the Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in the event that the President Pro Tempore determines that an unsafe condition or construction in the State Capitol, a natural disaster or national security emergency prevents the Senate from meeting in its chamber.

RULE 10-2. GALLERIES AND HALLWAYS. The President Pro Tempore or a designee is empowered to assign seats in the galleries of the Senate and is empowered to order the galleries and hallways of the Senate cleared to preserve order or to ensure the safety of the members of the Senate. Firearms and weapons are not allowed on the Senate floor, in the gallery, or in ~~the~~ any Senate area without permission of the Chief of Staff. Conduct in the galleries of the Senate shall conform to the following:

1. No food, drink, signs, placards, noisemakers, flash cameras or any other item which might cause distraction or disturb the decorum of the Senate shall be allowed in the galleries;
2. Applause shall not be permitted;
3. Articles carried by visitors may be required to be checked at the door to the galleries by a Senate employee; and
4. Visitors in the galleries shall be required to conduct themselves with dignity and in an orderly fashion.

RULE 10-3. ATTENDANCE. No business of the Senate shall be conducted without a quorum of its members being in attendance, other than a motion to adjourn, adjourn to a time certain, or operate under call of the Senate pursuant to Rule 10-5, made by the President Pro Tempore or a member designated by the President Pro Tempore. A majority of the members elected to the Senate shall constitute a quorum. A member of the Senate who is absent from a daily session shall be shown as "excused."

RULE 10-4. QUORUM CALL. Any member of the Senate may, at any time, request the Presiding Officer to question the presence of a quorum. Upon such request, the Presiding Officer shall determine whether a quorum is present, and no further business shall be conducted until it is determined that a quorum is present.

RULE 10-5. CALL OF THE SENATE. The Senate may, by majority vote of the members present, operate under Call of the Senate, in which case the President Pro Tempore is empowered to compel the attendance of all members of the Senate and is empowered to confine the members of the Senate to the chamber.

RULE 10-6. DECORUM. The decorum of members of the Senate and employees of the Senate during the daily sessions of the Senate shall be determined by the Code of Conduct and Standards for Members of the Senate and Staff and shall be enforced by the Presiding Officer.

RULE 10-7. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE. Personal privilege shall be granted to a member of the Senate only to permit such member to respond to a public attack on the rights, integrity or reputation of a member of the Senate, or upon the Senate collectively or any committee or employee of the Senate. Remarks made by a member of the Senate who is granted personal privilege shall be confined to such a response.

RULE 10-8. INTRODUCTIONS. No persons shall be introduced individually in the galleries, except that a member of the Senate may introduce family members. It shall also be permissible to introduce officials from other states and countries or other persons approved in advance by the Majority Floor Leader.

RULE 10-9. PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR. No person shall be permitted in the Senate chamber or the lobbies at the front or rear of the chamber during the daily sessions of the Senate except members and former members of the Senate, employees of the Senate designated by the President Pro Tempore, members of the House of Representatives, the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, former Governors and former Lieutenant Governors, spouses, children and grandchildren of members of the Senate, and any person who is permitted on the floor by a majority vote of those present; provided, however, that the above privileges shall exclude any person registered as a lobbyist under the statutes of Oklahoma. All persons permitted in the Senate chamber during the daily sessions of the Senate shall conduct themselves in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Senate and Staff. No person other than those specified in this rule shall be permitted in the Senate Lounge, unless accompanied by a member of the Senate.

RULE 10-10. SENATE LOUNGE AND ANTEROOMS. The President Pro Tempore may prescribe policies restricting the use of the Senate lounge and any rooms adjoining the lounge or the Senate chamber.

CHAPTER 11 ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR DAILY SESSIONS

RULE 11-1. ORDER OF BUSINESS. The Order of Business for each daily session of the Senate shall be:

Prayer
Executive Nominations

General Order
Third Reading
House Amendments to Senate Bills and Resolutions
Conference Committee Reports
Fourth Reading
Committee Reports
Second Reading
First Reading
Communications
Other Business

Provided, no business shall be considered by the Senate during the daily session unless it has been approved by the Majority Floor Leader or the President Pro Tempore or unless it is otherwise specifically allowed under the Senate rules.

CHAPTER 12 FLOOR PROCEDURES

RULE 12-1. PRESIDING OFFICER'S AUTHORITY. The Presiding Officer shall maintain order in the Senate. No Senator or other person shall be permitted to address the Senate without first having been recognized by the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer may require a Senator to disclose the purpose of a request for recognition prior to acting upon such request. The Presiding Officer shall immediately recognize the Majority Floor Leader at his or her request notwithstanding the previous request of any other Senator, but otherwise may exercise discretion in granting recognition when more than one Senator seeks recognition.

RULE 12-2. ORDER OF CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION. The Majority Floor Leader, or a designee, shall determine the order in which legislation is considered by the Senate.

RULE 12-3. PLACEMENT OF MEASURES ON GENERAL ORDER.

A. All bills and resolutions reported by a committee of the Senate or referred directly to the calendar shall be placed on General Order.

B. When a committee report is filed, the clerk shall indicate on the face of the report the date and time the report was filed.

C. A bill or resolution reported from committee shall be placed on General Order at the beginning of the second legislative day following the legislative day that a committee report is filed. ~~Committee reports shall not be filed later than 4:30 p.m.~~

D. Bills and resolutions referred directly to the calendar shall be placed on General Order at the beginning of the legislative day following the day of such referral.

E. A list of bills and resolutions on General Order, including a copy of the text of such bills and resolutions and the date such bills and resolutions were placed on General Order, shall be published electronically and ~~a paper copy shall be made available each legislative day by request~~ to all members of the Senate.

RULE 12-4. AMENDMENTS. A. Amendments to bills or resolutions shall be in writing and shall be considered only if submitted as follows:

1. Once legislation has been placed on General Order as provided in Rule 12-3, any floor amendment to such legislation may be filed on the legislative day of such placement or the following legislative day. An amendment must be filed no later than 4:30 p.m. of a legislative day to be considered filed on such legislative day;

2. Any amendment which directly amends a previously-submitted floor amendment shall be filed no later than 4:30 p.m. of the legislative day following the day which is the last legislative day for filing a floor amendment as provided in paragraph 1 of this rule. Such an amendment shall be referred to as "secondary amendment"; and

3. A floor amendment or ~~an amendment to a floor amendment~~ a secondary amendment may be withdrawn by its author at any time before it is voted upon.

B. If any amendment to a bill or resolution is filed as provided in this subsection, a copy of the text of such amendment shall be provided or made available electronically to each member of the Senate and the bill or resolution shall not be voted upon until on or after the legislative day following the legislative day specified for filing ~~an amendment to a floor amendment~~ a secondary amendment as provided in paragraph 2 of this rule.

C. ~~This~~ The deadlines for amendments and secondary amendments set forth in this rule shall not apply to an amendment offered by the author of a bill or resolution:

1. To strike the title or enacting or resolving clause; or
2. ~~To make non-substantive changes or technical corrections~~ For any other purpose, subject to the approval of the Majority Floor Leader.

~~D. 1. An amendment affecting a retirement system, as such term is defined in the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act, to a bill or resolution which has not been submitted to the legislative actuary as provided in the Act, shall be deemed to be out of order.~~

~~2. An amendment which creates or expands a requirement for insurance coverage provided to state employees by a state agency which is not accompanied by written documentation of the fiscal impact thereof as required in subsection A of Rule 5-8, shall be deemed to be out of order.~~

~~3. An amendment which creates a direct fiscal impact on state tax revenues which is not accompanied by written documentation of the fiscal impact thereof as required in subsection B of Rule 5-8, shall be deemed to be out of order.~~

RULE 12-5. CONSIDERATION OF MEASURES ON GENERAL ORDER.

A. On General Order, the following procedure shall be observed:

1. Explanation of the bill or resolution by the Senate author;
2. Questions;
3. Consideration of amendments; and
4. Advancement.

B. Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are submitted unless otherwise directed by the Majority Floor Leader; provided, a floor substitute offered by the author of the measure shall be considered first, and an amendment to restore a title or enacting or resolving clause shall be considered after disposition of all other amendments. If a floor substitute is adopted, the Secretary of the Senate shall conform previously submitted amendments to the measure to the floor substitute, if practicable. Once an amendment is read, it shall be explained by its author, who ~~shall~~ may then answer questions concerning the amendment. If the author of the amendment is not in attendance at the time an amendment is read, the amendment shall be considered withdrawn unless another member of the Senate ~~has taken or immediately takes coauthorship of~~ coauthors the amendment and provides an explanation. An amendment shall be considered a public record from the time it is placed upon the clerk's desk.

C. After the final vote on third reading of any bill or joint resolution, no amendment to the measure shall be considered, by unanimous consent or otherwise, unless the final vote and advancement of the measure are properly reconsidered according to the Senate Rules.

D. For any bill which has been recommended to the full Senate by a Senate committee with a stricken title or enacting clause, the title or enacting clause shall not be restored as part of an amendment proposing a floor substitute, but an amendment to restore the title or enacting clause may be considered separately.

RULE 12-6. ADVANCEMENT. Once a motion to advance has been adopted, the bill or resolution shall be considered engrossed and on Third Reading.

RULE 12-7. THIRD READING. Upon Third Reading of a bill or resolution, the Senate shall not consider amendments, but shall debate passage of the bill or resolution and then vote upon passage.

RULE 12-8. HOUSE AMENDMENTS. Upon receipt of House amendments to Senate bills or resolutions, the Senate author shall make a motion either to accept the amendments, in which case a successful vote on the motion shall automatically advance the bill to Fourth Reading and final passage, or to reject the amendments and request a conference with the House.

RULE 12-9. CONFERENCE COMMITTEES. The President Pro Tempore shall appoint members of the Senate to serve on conference committees with members of the House of Representatives at such times and in such numbers as the President Pro Tempore deems appropriate.

RULE 12-10. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

A. Any Conference Committee Report shall be considered by the Senate only when a majority of the Senate conferees and a majority of the House conferees have signed the report and only when the report is limited to matters germane to the bill or resolution.

Provided:

~~1. An amendment affecting a retirement system as such term is defined in the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act to a bill or resolution reported from a conference committee which has not been submitted to the legislative actuary as provided in the Act shall be deemed to be out of order and the bill or resolution shall be returned to the conference committee from which it was reported with instructions to remove the amendment;~~

~~2. An amendment which creates or expands a requirement for insurance coverage provided to state employees by a state agency to a bill or resolution reported from a conference committee which is not accompanied by written documentation of the fiscal impact thereof, as required in subsection A of Rule 5-8, shall be deemed to be out of order and the bill or resolution shall be returned to the conference committee from which it was reported with instructions to remove the amendment; and~~

~~3. An amendment which creates a direct fiscal impact on state tax revenues to a bill or resolution reported from a conference committee which is not accompanied by written documentation of the fiscal impact thereof, as required in subsection B of Rule 5-8, shall be deemed to be out of order and the bill or resolution shall be returned to the conference committee from which it was reported with instructions to remove the amendment.~~

If the Senate adopts a Conference Committee Report, the bill or resolution is shall be before the Senate for Fourth Reading and final passage. If the Senate rejects a Conference Committee Report or a motion to adopt the report fails, the bill or resolution shall be returned to the conference committee. Upon a report by the Senate conferees that the conferees cannot agree, the bill or resolution reverts to its former status of consideration of House Amendments to Senate bills or resolutions.

B. The conference committee report proposed by the Senate author of a measure considered by the General Conference Committee on Appropriations may not be amended during the committee meeting at which the measure is considered.

RULE 12-11. FOURTH READING. Upon Fourth Reading of a bill or resolution, debate shall be in order on final passage of the bill or resolution, after which the vote shall occur on final passage. After final passage of a bill or resolution, it shall be signed by the Presiding Officer in open session.

RULE 12-12. COMMITTEE REPORTS ON EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS.

Committee reports on Executive Nominations may be combined by the Majority Floor Leader for consideration by the Senate. At the request of any member, however, a nominee shall be separated from the combined report and considered individually by the Senate. A majority vote of the members of the Senate shall be required for adoption of a combined report.

RULE 12-13. OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS. Committee reports on matters other than legislation or Executive Nominations shall be filed with the Secretary of the Senate and explained by the chair of the committee making the report, whereupon the Senate may consider any action called for in the report.

RULE 12-14. FIRST READING. A bill or resolution shall be considered introduced upon First Reading and shall automatically be advanced to Second Reading.

RULE 12-15. SECOND READING.

A. The Second Reading of a bill or resolution shall occur the next legislative day following the First Reading. Upon or after Second Reading of a bill or resolution, the same shall be assigned for committee consideration or assigned directly to the calendar. All bills carrying appropriations which are referred to any committee other than the Appropriations Committee shall, immediately upon a report by the committee to which referred, be referred to the Appropriations Committee. Any bill or resolution which is determined to affect the receipt, expenditure or budgeting of state funds or funds under the control of an entity created by state law may be double-assigned to a committee other than the Appropriations Committee or the Finance Committee and then to the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee.

B. All “shell bills”, except for appropriation bills as defined in Rule 5-6, and except for a bill which is exempt from Senate Rule 16-1, shall be assigned to the Rules Committee. For purposes of this rule a “shell bill” shall mean a measure which does not make a substantive change in the law.

C. After preparation of a committee substitute which proposes a substantive change in the law, a shell bill which has been assigned to the Rules Committee may be withdrawn from the Rules Committee and assigned to another committee. No shell bill, except for appropriation bills as defined in Rule 5-6, and except for a bill which is exempt from Senate Rule 16-1, shall be reported out of a committee until it has been amended to include a substantive change in the law.

RULE 12-16. DEBATE. When a question subject to debate is before the Senate, a motion to limit the time for debate shall be in order, even if debate already has begun. The motion shall fix the time limits to be allowed for and against the motion, provided that in no case shall the total debate allotted to each side be less than one-half hour. If such motion is successful, the Presiding Officer shall cause the time limits to be enforced and shall divide

the time equally for each side of the question. If the motion is once rejected on a question being debated, it can only be adopted with the approval of two-thirds of those voting.

RULE 12-17. ADJOURNMENT. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order except when the motion shall have been the last voted on and no business is transacted thereafter.

RULE 12-18. AFTER ADOPTION OF MOTION TO ADJOURN. Once a motion to adjourn when the desk is clear has been adopted, no motion shall be considered from the floor of the Senate, whether by unanimous consent or otherwise.

RULE 12-19. SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT. The date and time of sine die adjournment of the Senate shall be fixed by motion or resolution; provided, that once the date and time of such sine die adjournment has arrived, no further business shall be conducted by the Senate, and the Presiding Officer shall declare the Senate adjourned sine die.

RULE 12-20. WITHDRAWAL FROM COMMITTEE. Any bill or resolution may be withdrawn from any committee of the Senate upon a two-thirds vote of the members of the Senate. Any bill or resolution so withdrawn shall be on General Order. The provisions of this rule shall not prevent a bill or resolution from being reassigned from one committee to another, from being assigned directly to the calendar, or from being double-assigned as provided in subsection A of Rule 12-15.

RULE 12-21. RECONSIDERATION. The final vote on Third Reading or Fourth Reading of any bill or joint resolution or on the emergency clause or special election feature or other special feature of any bill or joint resolution may be reconsidered only if a member of the Senate serves notice before any other business is considered by the Senate. Once such notice is served, the following procedures shall be observed:

A. In anticipation of the closing days of a regular session or a deadline for third reading and final passage of a measure in the Senate, a majority of the members of the Senate may vote that all motions to reconsider made thereafter shall be disposed of on the same day such notice is served, or disposed of immediately on the last Friday in May, or an earlier day set for sine die adjournment pursuant to the provisions of Rule 12-19.

B. Except as heretofore provided, the member serving notice for reconsideration shall not be permitted to make the motion to reconsider on the day notice is served, but shall have the exclusive right to make such a motion on the next two succeeding legislative days; provided, that on the third succeeding legislative day, any member of the Senate shall have the right to make such a motion. If no such motion is made on the third succeeding legislative day, then no reconsideration shall be permitted.

C. If the Senate refuses to reconsider or if, upon reconsideration, affirms the first decision, no further consideration shall be in order.

D. For adoption, a motion to reconsider the final vote on a bill or resolution or on the emergency clause or special election feature or other special feature must be approved by a majority of the members of the Senate.

E. A motion to reconsider any other action by the Senate must be made by a Senator who voted on the prevailing side before any other business is considered by the Senate and shall be disposed of on the same day it is lodged. The motion to reconsider shall be decided by a majority of those voting on the question.

F. It shall not be in order for the Senate, by suspension of the Rules or by any other means, to reconsider in the Second Regular Session of a Legislature the vote by which any bill or joint resolution was defeated in the First Regular Session.

RULE 12-22. OVERRIDES OF VETOES. When a bill or resolution is returned to the Senate because of veto by the Governor, a motion to vote to override the veto shall be in order at any time.

RULE 12-23. CORRECTIONS TO LEGISLATION.

A. The Title of a bill or resolution shall be made to conform to the text, unless the same has been ordered stricken. A stricken title shall be shown in brackets. The ballot title of a bill or resolution proposing a state question shall be made to conform to the text. The Enacting Clause shall be a part of every bill unless the same shall have been ordered stricken. A stricken Enacting Clause shall be shown by striking through the words of the Enacting Clause.

B. The Senate Service Staff is authorized to correct misspelled words, incorrect citations, typographical errors, repeated words and other similar errors when engrossing or enrolling Senate bills or joint resolutions, or Senate amendments to engrossed House bills or joint resolutions and when preparing committee reports and floor versions of Senate bills or joint resolutions.

C. When engrossing or enrolling Senate bills or joint resolutions, or Senate amendments to engrossed House bills or joint resolutions and when preparing committee reports and floor versions of Senate bills or joint resolutions, the Senate Service Staff is authorized to:

1. Remove sections from a bill or joint resolution labeled as amendatory sections but which consist entirely of existing law and contain no amendments to the existing law;

2. Incorporate amendments to sections of law in the bill or joint resolution which are contained in measures enacted previously during the same legislative session and amending the same sections of law and repeal such previous versions of the section at issue if, in the opinion of the General Counsel, or a staff attorney designated by the Chief of Staff, the incorporation of such amendments and repeal of the previous version would clearly not conflict with the amendments contained in the measure at issue;

3. Modify sections of such measures which provide for a measure to become effective on July 1 or a date earlier than ninety days after the date of expected sine die

adjournment to read to reflect an effective date of ninety days after the date of sine die adjournment, or to delete such sections, if the emergency clause has failed to receive the required number of votes for passage;

4. Delete sections of such measures which provide for a measure to become effective on a date prior to such engrossment or enrollment; and

5. Include a designation of the subject of an act as provided in Section 452.9 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

D. The Secretary of the Senate shall, at the direction of the President Pro Tempore and with the approval of the Senate author, have the authority to correct nonsubstantive errors in the language of any bill or resolution at the time the same is engrossed or enrolled. A detailed record of all such corrections shall be maintained by the Secretary and printed in the Journal.

CHAPTER 13 MOTIONS

RULE 13-1. ORDER OF PRIORITY. Motions shall be considered in the following order of priority:

- A. To adjourn to a time certain.
- B. To adjourn.
- C. Substitute ruling motion.
- D. To recess.
- E. To operate under Call of the Senate.
- F. To limit debate.
- G. To advance a measure or adopt a Conference Committee Report.
- H. To suspend the rules.
- I. To commit to a committee or conference committee without instructions.
- J. To commit to a committee or conference committee with instructions.
- K. To amend.

RULE 13-2. DEBATE. Debate shall be in order on all motions, except the following:

- A. To adjourn to a time certain.
- B. To adjourn.
- C. To recess.
- D. To operate under Call of the Senate.
- E. To limit debate.
- F. To advance.
- G. To commit to a committee without instructions.
- H. To table.
- I. To suspend the rules.

RULE 13-3. MOTIONS TO TABLE. Motions to table shall be in order for all motions except the following:

- A. To adjourn to a time certain.
- B. To adjourn.
- C. To recess.
- D. To operate under Call of the Senate.
- E. To limit debate.
- F. To advance.

RULE 13-4. PRECEDENCE. Motions to table shall take precedence over the original motion. If successful, a motion to table shall constitute a final disposition of the original motion.

RULE 13-5. PRIORITY OF MOTIONS NOT ENUMERATED. Except for those motions otherwise enumerated by priority, all motions shall have equal priority and shall be considered in the order made, or in the order placed on the clerk's desk.

RULE 13-6. WRITTEN MOTIONS OR OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS. The Presiding Officer may require any motion, point of order, substitute ruling, or other item of business to be in writing and placed upon the clerk's desk.

RULE 13-7. SUBSTITUTE MOTIONS. Only one substitute motion for a motion of equal priority shall be considered. If the substitute motion fails, the original motion shall be disposed of before another motion of the same priority can be considered.

RULE 13-8. VOTE REQUIRED. Unless otherwise provided, a motion shall be declared adopted if it is approved by a majority of the members present and voting thereon.

CHAPTER 14 VOTING

RULE 14-1. MANNER OF VOTING. All votes of the Senate shall be by voice vote, division or roll call vote subject to the following:

A. The voting machine shall be used to record the vote whenever a roll call vote is taken on any question. The machine shall also be used to determine the presence or absence of a quorum. In the event the machine is not operating properly, all roll call votes and determinations of quorums may be taken by calling the roll. The voting machine shall be under the control of the Presiding Officer and shall be operated by a clerk designated by the Presiding Officer.

B. During any roll call, only a Senator present on the Senate floor may vote, and every Senator present shall vote. During a roll call, the Presiding Officer shall request every Senator in the chamber who has not voted to vote. If any Senator so requested fails to vote, the Presiding Officer shall, upon declaring the roll, order that said Senator be shown as

voting "NO" on the question. Said order shall be printed in the Journal directly following the printing of the results of the roll call as reflected by the voting machine, and said "NO" vote shall be included in the determination of the passage or failure of the question. In all other cases, a Senator who fails to vote shall be shown as "excused" in the Journal, except as provided in Section 24 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution.

C. On any question for which a roll call vote is not required, a roll call vote shall be in order only if requested before the question is put. Once the question has been put and a voice vote taken, the Presiding Officer shall state the side that appears to the Presiding Officer to have prevailed, and any member then may request a division, but shall not be entitled to request a roll call vote. The declaration of the vote by the Presiding Officer shall be final.

D. No Senator shall be permitted to vote or change a vote after the result has been announced by the Presiding Officer.

E. If a member's voting machine is inoperative, the member shall rise and advise the Presiding Officer of the malfunction; and the Senator will be permitted to verbally vote on the question; and the vote will then be recorded by the clerk.

F. When a division is called for, those voting in the affirmative shall rise at their seats and remain standing until counted; then those voting in the negative shall rise and stand until they are counted, whereupon the Presiding Officer shall declare the result.

CHAPTER 15 LOBBYISTS AND MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

RULE 15-1. LOBBYISTS. All lobbying activities in the Senate shall be governed and regulated by law and by the Rules of the Senate.

RULE 15-2. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES. The Chief of Staff, at the direction of the President Pro Tempore, may issue credentials to representatives of the news media and may limit access to the Press Gallery to those members of the news media holding such credentials.

CHAPTER 16

RULE 16-1. SENATE LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE SCHEDULE.

A. During the First Regular Session of the ~~53rd~~ 54th Oklahoma Legislature, the Senate shall adhere to the following legislative procedure schedule:

1. The First Regular Session of the ~~53rd~~ 54th Oklahoma Legislature shall convene at twelve noon on ~~January 4, 2011~~ January 8, 2013, for the purpose only of performing the duties set forth in Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution and organizing pursuant to the

provisions of Article V of the Constitution, and shall recess no later than five p.m. on that same day until ~~February 7, 2011~~ February 4, 2013, beginning at twelve noon.

2. ~~December 10, 2010~~ December 14, 2012, shall be the final date for requesting the drafting of bills or joint resolutions in the Senate for introduction for consideration during the First Regular Session.

3. ~~January 20, 2011~~ January 17, 2013, at 4:00 p.m., shall be the final date and time for introduction of bills and joint resolutions in the Senate for consideration on the floor of the Senate during the First Regular Session. Bills and joint resolutions subsequently introduced if reported from committee, shall not be placed on the Calendar for consideration in the Senate until the first legislative day of the Second Regular Session.

4. ~~February 28, 2011~~ February 25, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for reporting Senate bills and Senate joint resolutions from committee in the Senate; provided, for Senate bills and Senate joint resolutions double-assigned to a committee other than the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee and then to the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee, ~~February 21, 2011~~ February 18, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for reporting such bills and resolutions from the first committee to which assigned and ~~March 3, 2011~~ February 28, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for reporting such bills and resolutions from the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee. ~~Committee Reports must be properly filed in the Senate within one (1) legislative day after the dates specified in this paragraph, no later than 4:30 p.m., in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed on the calendar for consideration in the Senate during the First Regular Session.~~ Bills and joint resolutions subsequently reported from committee shall not be placed on the Calendar for consideration in the Senate until the first legislative day of the Second Regular Session.

5. ~~March 17, 2011~~ March 14, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a Senate bill or Senate joint resolution in the Senate.

6. ~~April 7, 2011~~ April 4, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for reporting House bills and House joint resolutions from Committee in the Senate; provided, for House bills and House joint resolutions double-assigned to a committee other than the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee and then to the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee, ~~March 31, 2011~~ March 28, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for reporting such bills and resolutions from the first committee to which assigned and ~~April 14, 2011~~ April 11, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for reporting such bills and resolutions from the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee. ~~Committee Reports must be properly filed in the Senate within one (1) legislative day after the dates specified in this paragraph, no later than 4:30 p.m., in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed on the calendar for consideration in the Senate during the First Regular Session.~~ Bills and joint resolutions subsequently reported from Committee shall not be placed on the Calendar for consideration in the Senate until the first legislative day of the Second Regular Session.

7. ~~April 28, 2011~~ April 25, 2013, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a House bill or a House joint resolution in the Senate.

8. The First Regular Session shall adjourn sine die not later than five p.m. on ~~May 27, 2011~~ May 31, 2013.

9. Upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of the Senate, a bill or joint resolution can be exempt from all cutoff dates in the Senate.

B. During the Second Regular Session of the ~~53rd~~ 54th Oklahoma Legislature, the Senate shall adhere to the following legislative procedure schedule:

1. ~~December 9, 2011~~ December 13, 2013, shall be the final date for requesting the drafting of bills or joint resolutions in the Senate for introduction for consideration during the Second Regular Session.

2. ~~January 19, 2012~~ January 16, 2014, at 4:00 p.m., shall be the final date and time for introduction of bills and joint resolutions in the Senate for consideration on the floor of the Senate during the Second Regular Session.

3. The Second Regular Session of the ~~53rd~~ 54th Oklahoma Legislature shall convene at twelve o'clock noon on ~~February 6, 2012~~ February 3, 2014.

4. ~~February 27, 2012~~ February 24, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for reporting Senate bills and Senate joint resolutions from Committee in the Senate; provided, for Senate bills and Senate joint resolutions double-assigned to a committee other than the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee and then to the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee, ~~February 20, 2012~~ February 17, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for reporting such bills and resolutions from the first committee to which assigned and ~~March 1, 2012~~ February 27, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for reporting such bills and resolutions from the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee. ~~Committee Reports must be properly filed in the Senate within one (1) legislative day after the dates specified in this paragraph, no later than 4:30 p.m., in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed on the calendar for consideration in the Senate during the First Regular Session.~~

5. ~~March 15, 2012~~ March 13, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a Senate bill or a Senate joint resolution in the Senate.

6. ~~April 5, 2012~~ April 3, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for reporting a House bill or a House joint resolution from Committee in the Senate; provided, for House bills and House joint resolutions double-assigned to a committee other than the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee and then to the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee, ~~March 29, 2012~~ March 27, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for reporting such bills and resolutions from the first committee to which assigned and ~~April 12, 2012~~ April 10, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for reporting

such bills and resolutions from the Appropriations Committee or Finance Committee. ~~Committee Reports must be properly filed in the Senate within one (1) legislative day after the dates specified in this paragraph, no later than 4:30 p.m., in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed on the calendar for consideration in the Senate during the First Regular Session.~~

7. ~~April 26, 2012~~ April 24, 2014, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a House bill or a House joint resolution in the Senate.

8. The Second Regular Session shall adjourn sine die not later than five p.m. on ~~May 25, 2012~~ May 30, 2014.

9. Upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of the Senate, a bill or joint resolution can be exempt from all cutoff dates in the Senate.

C. This rule shall be inapplicable to any:

1. Joint resolution introduced for the purpose of disapproving or approving agency rules pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act as set forth in Section 250 et seq. of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

2. Bill introduced for the purposes of incorporation and merging different versions of a statute amended in more than one measure at the same or different sessions of the Legislature as set forth in Section 23.1 of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

3. Bill or joint resolution introduced for the purpose of approving, disapproving, repealing or modifying rules of the Ethics Commission pursuant to the provisions of Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution;

4. Bill or joint resolution which proposes a special or local law and for which notice of intended introduction is published in a newspaper for four consecutive weeks pursuant to the provisions of Section 32 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution;

5. Bill or joint resolution authored by the chairs and vice-chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the House Appropriations and Budget Committee which affects the receipt, expenditure or budgeting of state funds or funds under the control of an entity created by state law;

6. Bill or joint resolution authored by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which is deemed by them to be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; or

7. Bill or joint resolution authored by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which provides for redistricting pursuant to the 2010 federal census.

D. Paragraph 2 of subsection A and paragraph 2 of subsection B of this rule shall be inapplicable to any bill or joint resolution which contains an “RB” number pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act. Such measures shall be submitted to the legislative actuary not later than the date specified in such paragraphs, and may be introduced not later than the first Monday in February following such submission.

RULE 16-2. PENDING LEGISLATION AT ADJOURNMENT OF FIRST REGULAR SESSION

A. Any bill or joint resolution pending in the Senate at the final adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 53rd 54th Oklahoma Legislature shall carry over to the Second Regular Session with the same status as if there had been no adjournment. Bills and joint resolutions pending in a Conference Committee at such time shall not carry over to the Second Regular Session of the 53rd 54th Oklahoma Legislature.

B. Simple and concurrent resolutions pending in the Senate at the final adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 53rd 54th Oklahoma Legislature shall not carry over for consideration during the Second Regular Session.

CODE OF CONDUCT AND STANDARDS FOR MEMBERS OF THE SENATE AND STAFF

1. A coat, tie and slacks or trousers shall be worn by male members and appropriate professional attire shall be worn by female members of the Senate and other persons granted privileges of the floor in the chamber during sessions of the Senate.

2. Each executive assistant is under the authority and supervision of the Senator designating him or her as such. All other staff members of the Senate are under the authority and supervision of the Chief of Staff. Complaints pertaining to employees should be made to the proper authority rather than to the individual. Under no circumstances should complaints pertaining to employees be made on the floor of the Senate, in committee meetings or in other public forums.

3. (a) On the floor during session and in committee, members should endeavor to be congenial and complimentary. Members should avoid personal attacks and dealing in personalities.

(b) During public occasions away from the Capitol, members should endeavor to keep personalities out of their discussions and deal with programs, not personalities.

4. The consumption of alcohol is forbidden in the chamber, and any member who is in the chamber in an intoxicated state will be removed by security personnel.

5. It is beneath the dignity of the Senate for members to consume food products in the chamber.

6. Members of the Senate should continually conduct themselves in accordance with the standards which will reflect credit upon themselves and the Senate. It is beneath the dignity of the Senate for a member to sit upon a desk, or to place his or her feet upon a desk in the chamber.

7. While a Senator is speaking, no Senator should enter into any disturbing private conversation or pass between the speaking Senator and the Presiding Officer. Profane, obscene, or indecent language is discouraged in the Senate and in all standing or special committees of the Senate. The use of cellular telephones, pagers or other audible electronic devices during formal Senate proceedings, either on the floor of the Senate or in committee, is discouraged.

8. A Senator shall address other members with the title "Senator" when addressing one another during formal Senate proceedings either on the floor of the Senate or in committee.

9. The Presiding Officer may direct a designated Senate employee to activate his or her roll call switch. No member shall be permitted to vote on any question unless said member is physically present in the chamber at the time the vote is taken.

10. The President Pro Tempore (or the Majority Floor Leader) shall designate those Senate employees who shall be granted privileges of the floor during any session of the Senate, said employees to be limited to those whose work requires their presence. Any member desiring to bring a guest to the floor of the Senate shall first notify the Majority Floor Leader. No such guest shall enter the chamber until privileges of the floor have been granted pursuant to Rule 10-9.

11. No person other than a member of the Senate shall cause materials to be distributed on each desk in the Senate chamber without first having obtained approval by the Majority Floor Leader. The sponsoring Senator will be identified. Any material so distributed shall be considered a public record from the time of such distribution.

12. The President Pro Tempore shall designate persons to act as Sergeants-at-Arms for the Senate, who shall have responsibility of serving legal processes and enforcing Rules and policies of the Senate.

13. Any member who feels that the standards of the Senate are being violated by either a member of the Senate or the staff should seek redress by submitting a complaint to the President Pro Tempore concerning the violation. The President Pro Tempore may refer any matter concerning exercise of the Senate's discretionary powers and duties under Section 30 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution to a standing committee or select committee as the President Pro Tempore deems appropriate.

SENATE OFFICERS

President Pro Tempore Bingman announced members of the Senate Republican Caucus designated to serve in the leadership of the Fifty-fourth Legislature:

Majority Floor Leader – Senator Schulz
 Assistant Majority Floor Leaders – Senator Branan, Senator Ford and Senator Rob Johnson
 Majority Whips – Senator Brinkley, Senator David, Senator Holt and Senator Treat
 Republican Caucus Chair – Senator Marlatt
 Republican Caucus Vice-Chair – Senator Griffin

Senator Burrage announced members of the Senate Democratic Caucus designated to serve in the leadership of the Fifty-fourth Legislature:

Democratic Floor Leader – Senator Burrage
 Assistant Democratic Floor Leaders – Senator Ballenger, Senator Ellis,
 Senator Sparks and Senator Wyrick
 Democratic Whips – Senator Garrison and Senator McAffrey
 Democratic Caucus Chair – Senator Ivester
 Democratic Caucus Vice-Chair – Senator Paddack

Senator Jolley moved that Paul Ziriak of Edmond be elected Secretary of the Senate.

Senator Schulz seconded the nomination of Paul Ziriak and moved that the nominations for the office of Secretary of the Senate cease and Paul Ziriak be elected by acclamation, which motion was declared adopted.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Senator Schulz moved that the Standing Committees and the members thereof appointed for the Fifty-fourth Legislature be approved.

The Standing Committees and their membership are as follows:

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

**First Regular Session
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President Pro Tempore Bingman and Senator Schulz are
 “Ex-Officio Voting Members” of all Senate committees.

AGRICULTURE and RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Fields, Chair
Justice, Vice Chair

Allen	Simpson
Barrington	Sykes
Bass	Wyrick
Boggs	

APPROPRIATIONS

Jolley, Chair
Justice, Vice Chair

Bass	Ivester
Branan	Johnson, C.
Brinkley	Johnson, R.
Coates	Marlatt
Crain	Mazzei
David	Newberry
Ellis	Paddack
Fields	Standridge
Ford	Stanislowski
Griffin	Sykes
Halligan	Treat
Holt	Wyrick

BUSINESS and COMMERCE

Newberry, Chair
Sykes, Vice Chair

Anderson	Ford
Coates	Garrison
Crain	Sharp
Dahm	Shumate
Ellis	

EDUCATION

Ford, Chair
Stanislowski, Vice Chair

Brecheen	Paddack
Garrison	Sharp
Halligan	Shaw
Holt	Shortey
Jolley	Sparks

ENERGY

Branan, Chair
Marlatt, Vice Chair

Brinkley	Jolley
Fields	Justice
Griffin	Paddack
Halligan	Simpson
Ivester	Standridge
Johnson, C.	Treat
Johnson, R.	Wyrick

FINANCE

Mazzei, Chair
Brinkley, Vice Chair

Aldridge	Jolley
Dahm	McAffrey
David	Simpson
Ford	Sparks
Halligan	Treat
Johnson, C.	

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Treat, Chair
Ballenger, Vice Chair

Aldridge	Johnson, R.
Dahm	Loveless
Ellis	Marlatt

HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES

Crain, Chair
Standridge, Vice Chair

Coates	Johnson, C.
David	Newberry
Griffin	Shumate

INSURANCE

Brown, Chair
Sparks, Vice Chair

Aldridge	Loveless
Allen	Mazzei
Bass	Stanislowski
Brooks	

JUDICIARY

Sykes, Chair
Rob Johnson, Vice Chair

Allen	Holt
Anderson	Ivester
Crain	Shumate
Griffin	

PENSIONS

Brinkley, Chair
Brooks, Vice-Chair

Anderson	Brown
Ballenger	Ivester
Branan	Mazzei

PUBLIC SAFETY

Barrington, Chair
David, Vice Chair

Ballenger	McAffrey
Boggs	Shaw
Brecheen	Shortey
Holt	

RULES

Griffin, Chair
Rob Johnson, Vice Chair

Barrington	Justice
Branan	Marlatt
Brinkley	McAffrey
David	Shumate
Fields	Simpson
Ford	Sparks
Halligan	Standridge
Johnson, C.	Stanislawski
Jolley	Wyrick

TOURISM and WILDLIFE

Coates, Chair
Brecheen, Vice Chair

Boggs	Garrison
Brown	Justice
Ellis	Sharp
Fields	Wyrick

TRANSPORTATION

Stanislawski, Chair
Loveless, Vice Chair

Barrington	Newberry
Bass	Paddack
Branan	Shaw
Brooks	Shortey
Marlatt	Standridge
McAffrey	

VETERANS and MILITARY AFFAIRS

Simpson, Chair
Allen, Vice Chair

Aldridge	Dahm
Anderson	Garrison
Ballenger	Ivester
Barrington	Loveless
Bass	Sharp
Boggs	Shaw
Brecheen	Shortey
Brooks	Sparks
Brown	

**APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEES**

Senator Jolley and Senator Justice are “Ex-Officio Voting Members”
of all Appropriations Subcommittees.

EDUCATION

Halligan, Chair
Ford, Vice Chair

Aldridge	Paddack
Brinkley	Sparks
Mazzei	Stanislawski

GENERAL GOVERNMENT and TRANSPORTATION

Marlatt, Chair
Branan, Vice Chair

Allen	Garrison
Bass	Sharp
Boggs	Sykes

HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES

David, Chair
Treat, Vice Chair

Griffin	Shumate
Johnson, C.	Simpson
Newberry	

NATURAL RESOURCES

Justice, Chair
Fields, Vice Chair

Ballenger	Loveless
Brooks	Shaw
Ellis	

PUBLIC SAFETY and JUDICIARY

Rob Johnson, Chair
Barrington, Vice Chair

Brecheen	McAffrey
Crain	Shortey
Ivester	Standridge

SELECT AGENCIES

Anderson, Chair
Holt, Vice-Chair

Brown	Ivester
Coates	Wyrick
Dahm	

EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE AND POSTAGE

Senator Schulz moved that each Senator be allotted \$1,500 from Senate funds for expenses relating to official state business, including but not limited to postage, electronic communications equipment or its usage, office equipment and supplies and printing. Such amount is hereby authorized for expenses incurred from November 21, 2012, through December 31, 2013. If a member of the Senate incurs such expenses paid for by the Senate in excess of these amounts during such period, the member shall reimburse the Senate in full for such excess amount no later than January 31, 2014, which motion was declared adopted.

MILEAGE ALLOWANCE

Senator Schulz moved adoption of the following report on mileage allowance prepared by the Office of the Senate Administrator, which motion was declared adopted.

Senator	Hometown	Total Miles Round Trip	Amount Round Trip
Aldridge, Cliff	Choctaw	38	21.47
Allen, Mark	Spiro	360	203.40
Anderson, Patrick	Enid	198	111.87
Ballenger, Roger	Okmulgee	234	132.21
Barrington, Don	Lawton	182	102.83
Bass, Randy	Lawton	190	107.35
Bingman, Brian	Sapulpa	188	106.22
Boggs, Larry	Red Oak	352	198.88
Branan, Cliff	Oklahoma City	0	None Requested
Brecheen, Josh	Coalgate	234	132.21
Brinkley, Rick	Owasso	240	135.60
Brooks, Corey	Washington	70	39.55
Brown, Bill	Broken Arrow	244	137.86
Burrage, Sean	Claremore	264	149.16
Coates, Harry	Seminole	120	67.80
Crain, Brian	Tulsa	212	119.78
Dahm, Nathan	Broken Arrow	224	126.56
David, Kim	Porter	292	164.98
Ellis, Jerry	Valliant	448	253.12
Fields, Eddie	Wynona	260	146.90
Ford, John	Bartlesville	292	164.98
Garrison, Earl	Muskogee	316	178.54
Griffin, A.J.	Guthrie	64	36.16
Halligan, Jim	Stillwater	120	67.80
Holt, David	Oklahoma City	0	None Requested
Ivester, Tom	Elk City	224	126.56

Johnson, Constance	Oklahoma City	8	4.52
Johnson, Rob	Yukon	46	25.99
Jolley, Clark	Edmond	0	None Requested
Justice, Ron	Chickasha	98	55.37
Loveless, Kyle	Oklahoma City	0	None Requested
Marlatt, Bryce	Woodward	284	160.46
Mazzei, Mike	Bixby	212	119.78
McAffrey, Al	Oklahoma City	0	None Requested
Newberry, Dan	Tulsa	200	113.00
Paddack, Susan	Ada	180	101.70
Schulz, Mike	Altus	286	161.59
Sharp, Ron	Shawnee	92	51.98
Shaw, Wayne	Grove	392	221.48
Shortey, Ralph	Oklahoma City	0	None Requested
Shumate, Jabar	Tulsa	218	123.17
Simpson, Frank	Ardmore	188	106.22
Sparks, John	Norman	46	25.99
Standridge, Rob	Norman	0	None Requested
Stanislawski, Gary	Tulsa	212	119.78
Sykes, Anthony	Moore	28	15.82
Treat, Greg	Oklahoma City	0	None Requested
Wyrick, Charles	Fairland	374	211.31

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Advising the Honorable Senate that the House of Representatives is ready to convene in Joint Session.

Senator Schulz moved that the Senate recess for a reception in honor of President Pro Tempore Bingman in the Senate Lounge and to meet with the House in Joint Session at 2:00 p.m., and upon adjournment of the Joint Session, that the Senate stand adjourned to convene Monday, February 4, 2013, at 12:00 noon, which motion prevailed.

Pursuant to the Schulz motion, the Senate adjourned at 12:45 p.m. to meet Monday, February 4, 2013, at 12:00 noon.

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JOINT SESSION

The First Joint Session of the First Regular Session of the Fifty-fourth Legislature was called to order by the President of the Senate, Lieutenant Governor Todd Lamb.

Senator Schulz moved that the attendance roll call of the Senate be considered the attendance roll call of the Senate in Joint Session, which motion was declared adopted.

Representative Peterson moved that the attendance roll call of the House of Representatives be considered the attendance roll call of the House in Joint Session, which motion was declared adopted.

Lieutenant Governor Todd Lamb declared quorums of the Senate and House present and Joint Session duly assembled.

The invocation was offered by Dr. Scott Pace, Hughes Chair of Christian Ministry, and Christian and Cross Cultural Ministry Department, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Oklahoma, the guest of Speaker Shannon.

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5, Oklahoma Constitution, Speaker Shannon directed the clerk to proceed with the canvassing of the returns of the General Election held on November 6, 2012, as certified to the House of Representatives by the Secretary of the State Election Board, Paul ZiriAx, and transmitted to the House of Representatives by Secretary of State, Glenn Coffee.

Senator Schulz moved to dispense with the reading of the election returns and ordered same printed in the Journals of the House and Senate respectively, which motion was declared adopted.

COMMUNICATION

December 14, 2012

The Honorable T.W. Shannon
Speaker-elect, Oklahoma State House of Representatives
State Capitol
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached compilation is a complete list of the names of all candidates voted for at the General Election held November 6, 2012, for the offices indicated, and that the figures set by the names represent the sum of the total votes cast for each as certified to this office by the County Election Boards of the State. Candidates who were unopposed in the General Election also are listed.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/PAUL ZIRIAX, Secretary
State Election Board

The Speaker declared elected to the respective offices listed below the candidates whose names are shown in boldface type:

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR

DEMOCRATIC (BARACK OBAMA for President, JOE BIDEN for Vice President)	443,547
ISABEL BAKER	
DOUG DODD	
CARL DOWNING	
CONNIE JOHNSON	
JUDY EASON McINTYRE	
MACK MILLER	
MARTHA SKEETERS	
REPUBLICAN (MITT ROMNEY for President, PAUL RYAN for Vice President)	891,325
DAVID HOLT	
LYNN WINDEL	
LAWRENCE A. WILLIAMSON	
JOE PETERS	
MARK THOMAS	
JASON COWEN	
DUANE CRUMBACHER	

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE

District 1

JOHN OLSON	Democrat	Tulsa	91,421
JIM BRIDENSTINE	Republican	Tulsa	181,084
CRAIG ALLEN	Independent	Tulsa	12,807

District 2

ROB WALLACE	Democrat	Fort Gibson	96,081
MARKWAYNE MULLIN	Republican	Westville	143,701
MICHAEL G. FULKS	Independent	Heavener	10,830

District 3

TIMOTHY RAY MURRAY	Democrat	Moore	53,472
FRANK D. LUCAS	Republican	Cheyenne	201,744
WILLIAM M. SANDERS	Independent	Stillwater	12,787

District 4

DONNA MARIE BEBO	Democrat	Fletcher	71,846
TOM COLE	Republican	Moore	176,740
RJ HARRIS	Independent	Norman	11,745

District 5

TOM GUILD	Democrat	Edmond	97,504
JAMES LANKFORD	Republican	Edmond	153,603
PAT MARTIN	Independent	Jones	5,394
ROBERT T. MURPHY	Independent	Norman	5,176

CORPORATION COMMISSIONER (Full Term)

BOB ANTHONY	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
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CORPORATION COMMISSIONER (Short Term)

PATRICE DOUGLAS	Republican	Edmond	Unopposed
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STATE SENATOR

District 1

CHARLES WYRICK	Democrat	Fairland	Unopposed
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District 3

JIM BYNUM	Democrat	Park Hill	11,302
WAYNE SHAW	Republican	Grove	13,413

District 5

JERRY ELLIS	Democrat	Valliant	15,920
HOWARD HOUCHEN	Republican	Hugo	8,010

District 7

J. PAUL LANE	Democrat	McAlester	12,178
LARRY BOGGS	Republican	Red Oak	14,210

District 9

EARL GARRISON	Democrat	Muskogee	17,191
BARNEY S TAYLOR	Republican	Muskogee	7,476

District 11

JABAR SHUMATE	Democrat	Tulsa	15,213
DAVE BELL	Republican	Tulsa	3,412
CURTIS J. MULLINS	Independent	Tulsa	1,404

District 13

SUSAN PADDACK	Democrat	Ada	19,842
FRED E SMITH	Republican	Ada	6,319

District 15

CLAUDIA GRIFFITH	Democrat	Norman	11,741
ROB STANDRIDGE	Republican	Norman	18,789

District 17

RON SHARP	Republican	Shawnee	Unopposed
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District 19

PATRICK ANDERSON	Republican	Enid	Unopposed
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District 21

JIM HALLIGAN	Republican	Stillwater	Unopposed
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District 23 RON JUSTICE	Republican	Chickasha	Unopposed
District 25 MIKE MAZZEI	Republican	Bixby	Unopposed
District 27 A. BRYCE MARLATT TOMMY W. NICHOLSON	Republican Independent	Woodward Mooreland	23,226 4,273
District 29 JOHN W. FORD	Republican	Bartlesville	Unopposed
District 31 TONY TERRILL DON BARRINGTON	Democrat Republican	Lawton Lawton	7,508 15,805
District 33 NATHAN DAHM	Republican	Broken Arrow	Unopposed
District 35 GARY STANISLAWSKI	Republican	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 37 DAN NEWBERRY	Republican	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 39 JULIE HALL BRIAN A. CRAIN	Democrat Republican	Tulsa Tulsa	14,398 19,018
District 41 CLARK JOLLEY RICHARD PRAWDZIENSKI	Republican Independent	Edmond Edmond	27,417 7,112
District 43 MIKE FULLERTON COREY BROOKS	Democrat Republican	Newcastle Washington	8,717 21,014
District 45 KYLE D. LOVELESS	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 47 GREG TREAT	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
STATE REPRESENTATIVE			
District 1 CURTIS McDANIEL	Democrat	Smithville	Unopposed

District 2			
RICK AGENT	Democrat	Sallisaw	5,437
JOHN R. BENNETT	Republican	Sallisaw	6,316
District 3			
JAMES H LOCKHART	Democrat	Heavener	7,016
ROGER MATTOX	Republican	Poteau	4,717
District 4			
MIKE BROWN	Democrat	Fort Gibson	Unopposed
District 5			
DOUGLAS G. COX	Republican	Grove	Unopposed
District 6			
CHUCK HOSKIN	Democrat	Vinita	Unopposed
District 7			
LARRY GLENN	Democrat	Miami	Unopposed
District 8			
BEN SHERRER	Democrat	Chouteau	Unopposed
District 9			
MARTY L. QUINN	Republican	Claremore	Unopposed
District 10			
STEVE MARTIN	Republican	Bartlesville	Unopposed
District 11			
EARL SEARS	Republican	Bartlesville	Unopposed
District 12			
WADE ROUSSELOT	Democrat	Wagoner	7,344
DAVID TACKETT	Republican	Broken Arrow	6,272
District 13			
JERRY McPEAK	Democrat	Warner	Unopposed
District 14			
JERRY RAINS	Democrat	Muskogee	5,664
ARTHUR HULBERT	Republican	Fort Gibson	6,886
District 15			
ED CANNADAY	Democrat	Porum	Unopposed
District 16			
JERRY SHOEMAKE	Democrat	Morris	7,546
JAMES DELSO	Republican	Henryetta	4,835

District 17 BRIAN RENEGAR	Democrat	McAlester	Unopposed
District 18 DONALD A CONDIT	Democrat	McAlester	Unopposed
District 19 R. C. PRUETT	Democrat	Antlers	Unopposed
District 20 MATT BRANSTETTER BOBBY CLEVELAND	Democrat Republican	Noble Slaughterville	4,275 8,465
District 21 JERRY L. TOMLINSON DUSTIN ROBERTS	Democrat Republican	Durant Durant	4,126 7,318
District 22 DORIS ANNE ROW CHARLES A McCALL	Democrat Republican	Tishomingo Atoka	6,492 6,727
District 23 SHAWNA KELLER TERRY O'DONNELL	Democrat Republican	Tulsa Catoosa	4,412 6,202
District 24 STEVE KOUPLEN	Democrat	Beggs	Unopposed
District 25 TODD THOMSEN	Republican	Ada	Unopposed
District 26 PATTY SUE WAGSTAFF JUSTIN FREELAND WOOD	Democrat Republican	Shawnee Shawnee	4,852 7,457
District 27 RANDY R GILBERT JOSH COCKROFT	Democrat Republican	Tecumseh Tecumseh	4,966 8,072
District 28 MARILYN RAINWATER TOM NEWELL	Democrat Republican	Seminole Seminole	4,202 7,097
District 29 DAVID W NARCOMY SKYE McNIEL	Democrat Republican	Bristow Bristow	3,227 10,413
District 30 MARK E McCULLOUGH	Republican	Sapulpa	Unopposed

District 31 JASON W MURPHEY	Republican	Guthrie	Unopposed
District 32 KEITH KINNAMON JASON SMALLEY	Democrat Republican	Chandler Stroud	5,896 7,824
District 33 LEE R. DENNEY	Republican	Cushing	Unopposed
District 34 CORY T WILLIAMS	Democrat	Stillwater	Unopposed
District 35 DENNIS CASEY	Republican	Morrison	Unopposed
District 36 JIM MASSEY SEAN ROBERTS	Democrat Republican	Sperry Hominy	4,809 9,094
District 37 NANCY L. NIEMANN STEVEN E. VAUGHAN	Democrat Republican	Ponca City Ponca City	5,325 7,710
District 38 DALE R. DeWITT	Republican	Braman	Unopposed
District 39 MARIAN COOKSEY	Republican	Edmond	Unopposed
District 40 MIKE JACKSON	Republican	Enid	Unopposed
District 41 JOHN T. ENNS	Republican	Enid	Unopposed
District 42 STEVEN VINES LISA J. BILLY	Democrat Republican	Paoli Lindsay	2,717 10,709
District 43 COLBY SCHWARTZ	Republican	Yukon	Unopposed
District 44 EMILY VIRGIN	Democrat	Norman	Unopposed
District 45 PAULA ROBERTS AARON STILES	Democrat Republican	Norman Norman	6,787 6,803

District 46			
SCOTT MARTIN	Republican	Norman	Unopposed
District 47			
LEON A PIVINSKI	Democrat	Mustang	3,158
LESLIE KATHRYN OSBORN	Republican	Mustang	12,315
District 48			
BRIAN SPENCER	Democrat	Elmore City	3,626
PATRICK OWNBEY	Republican	Ardmore	9,306
District 49			
TOMMY C HARDIN	Republican	Madill	Unopposed
District 50			
DENNIS JOHNSON	Republican	Duncan	Unopposed
District 51			
STEWART MEYER	Democrat	Chickasha	5,120
SCOTT R. BIGGS	Republican	Chickasha	9,232
District 52			
CHARLES LARRY ORTEGA	Republican	Altus	Unopposed
District 53			
MARK McBRIDE	Republican	Moore	Unopposed
District 54			
PAUL WESSELHOFT	Republican	Moore	Unopposed
District 55			
TODD RUSS	Republican	Cordell	Unopposed
District 56			
DAVID L PERRYMAN	Democrat	Chickasha	6,098
CHUCK UTSLER	Republican	Pocasset	5,966
District 57			
HAROLD WRIGHT	Republican	Weatherford	Unopposed
District 58			
JEFF HICKMAN	Republican	Fairview	Unopposed
District 59			
MIKE SANDERS	Republican	Kingfisher	Unopposed
District 60			
KENDRA MENZ KIMBLE	Democrat	Hinton	4,719
DAN FISHER	Republican	El Reno	7,793

District 61 GUS BLACKWELL	Republican	Laverne	Unopposed
District 62 T. W. SHANNON	Republican	Lawton	Unopposed
District 63 DON ARMES	Republican	Faxon	Unopposed
District 64 ANN COODY	Republican	Lawton	Unopposed
District 65 JOE DORMAN	Democrat	Rush Springs	Unopposed
District 66 DAVID C. PHILLIPS, III JADINE NOLLAN	Democrat Republican	Tulsa Sand Springs	4,389 8,845
District 67 PAM PETERSON	Republican	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 68 GLEN MULREADY	Republican	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 69 FRED JORDAN	Republican	Jenks	Unopposed
District 70 KEN WALKER	Republican	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 71 DAN ARTHRELL KATIE HENKE	Democrat Republican	Tulsa Tulsa	6,471 7,364
District 72 SENECA SCOTT RANDALL L. REESE	Democrat Republican	Tulsa Tulsa	5,996 2,247
District 73 KEVIN MATTHEWS	Democrat	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 74 DAVID DERBY	Republican	Owasso	Unopposed
District 75 DAN KIRBY	Republican	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 76 GLENDA K. PUETT DAVID BRUMBAUGH	Democrat Republican	Broken Arrow Broken Arrow	5,100 10,679

District 77 ERIC PROCTOR	Democrat	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 78 JEANNIE McDANIEL PAUL CATALANO	Democrat Republican	Tulsa Tulsa	8,822 5,534
District 79 WELDON WATSON	Republican	Tulsa	Unopposed
District 80 MIKE RITZE	Republican	Broken Arrow	Unopposed
District 81 RANDY GRAU	Republican	Edmond	Unopposed
District 82 MIKE TURNER	Republican	Edmond	Unopposed
District 83 ED HOLZBERGER RANDY McDANIEL	Democrat Republican	Nichols Hills Edmond	5,905 10,994
District 84 SALLY KERN	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 85 DAVID DANK	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 86 WILL FOURKILLER RUSSELL DON TURNER	Democrat Republican	Stilwell Stilwell	7,366 3,346
District 87 NICK SINGER JASON NELSON	Democrat Republican	Oklahoma City Oklahoma City	5,692 7,052
District 88 KAY FLOYD AARON KASPEREIT	Democrat Republican	Oklahoma City Oklahoma City	7,471 3,337
District 89 REBECCA HAMILTON	Democrat	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 90 JON ECHOLS	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 91 MIKE D. REYNOLDS	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed

District 92	RICHARD D. MORRISSETTE	Democrat	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 93	MIKE CHRISTIAN	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 94	SCOTT INMAN	Democrat	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 95	CHARLIE JOYNER	Republican	Midwest City	Unopposed
District 96	LEWIS H. MOORE	Republican	Arcadia	Unopposed
District 97	MIKE SHELTON	Democrat	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 98	JOHN TREBILCOCK	Republican	Broken Arrow	Unopposed
District 99	ANASTASIA A. PITTMAN	Democrat	Oklahoma City	10,641
	WILLARD LINZY	Republican	Oklahoma City	2,104
District 100	ELISE HALL	Republican	Oklahoma City	Unopposed
District 101	STEPHEN E COVERT	Democrat	Midwest City	5,122
	GARY BANZ	Republican	Midwest City	10,677

JUSTICE OF THE OKLAHOMA SUPREME COURT

District 3	NOMA D. GURICH	YES:	789,777
		NO:	398,507
District 4	YVONNE KAUGER	YES:	775,016
		NO:	405,409
District 7	JAMES E. EDMONDSON	YES:	792,216
		NO:	391,874
District 8	DOUGLAS L. COMBS	YES:	783,955
		NO:	396,486

JUDGE OF THE OKLAHOMA COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS**District 1****CLANCY SMITH****YES: 772,328**
NO: 401,122**District 4****ARLENE JOHNSON****YES: 779,648**
NO: 391,413**District 5****DAVID B. LEWIS****YES: 783,227**
NO: 385,928**JUDGE OF THE OKLAHOMA COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS****District 3, Office 1****P. THOMAS THORNBRUGH****YES: 786,547**
NO: 381,817**District 4, Office 1****WILLIAM C. HETHERINGTON, JR.****YES: 763,293**
NO: 399,469**District 5, Office 1****KENNETH L. BUETTNER****YES: 781,528**
NO: 380,177**District 5, Office 2****ROBERT BOBBY BELL****YES: 766,014**
NO: 395,934**District 6, Office 1****E. BAY MITCHELL, III****YES: 777,599**
NO: 384,823

Upon motion of Representative Peterson, the Joint Session was ordered dissolved at the hour of 2:25 p.m.