

Senate Journal

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

Thirty-first Legislative Day, Wednesday, March 29, 2017

The Senate was called to order by Senator Sykes.

Roll Call:

Present: Allen, Bass, Bergstrom, Bice, Boggs, Brecheen, Dahm, Daniels, Dossett, Dugger, Fields, Floyd, Fry, Griffin, Holt, Jech, Kidd, Leewright, Loveless, Marlatt, Matthews, McCortney, Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson, Pemberton, Pittman, Pugh, Quinn, Rader, Schulz, Scott, Sharp, Shaw, Silk, Simpson, Smalley, Sparks, Standridge, Stanislawski, Sykes, Thompson, Treat, Yen.—45.

Excused: Brown, David and Newberry.—2.

Vacancy: District 44.—1.

Senator Sykes declared a quorum present.

The prayer was offered by Pastor Matthew Brown, Bethel Baptist Church, Norman, the guest of Senator Standridge.

INTRODUCTION

Senator Leewright introduced his mother, Donna Leewright, to the Senate.

Senator Marlatt presiding

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST
DIRECT TO CALENDAR**

Senator Dugger asked unanimous consent to refer **SR 5** direct to the Calendar for consideration, which was the order.

GENERAL ORDER

SR 5 by Dugger was called up for consideration.

All other members of the Senate asked to coauthor **SR 5**, which was the order.

SR 5 was adopted upon motion of Senator Dugger and referred for enrollment.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

The following executive nominations have been approved by the committee named:

Beckman, Jr., William E., Edmond, to the Oklahoma Arts Council, to serve an unexpired term ending July 1, 2019, succeeding Cassandra Gaines. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Adam Pugh.

Bickle, Barry K., Ponca City, to the Board of Trustees for the University Center at Ponca City, to serve a nine-year term ending June 30, 2026, succeeding himself. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Eddie Fields.

Bowers, Donna B., Oklahoma City, to the Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators, to serve an unexpired term ending October 31, 2017, succeeding Bill Weaver. (Health and Human Services Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Ervin Yen.

Bowers, Donna B., Oklahoma City, to the Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators, to serve a three-year term ending October 31, 2020, succeeding herself. (Health and Human Services Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Ervin Yen.

Brought, John, Duncan, to the Student Loan Authority, to serve a five-year term ending April 6, 2021, succeeding Thomas McCasland. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Paul Scott.

Cantillon, Richard, Blackwell, to the Board of Trustees for the University Center at Ponca City, to serve an unexpired term ending March 30, 2025, succeeding Andy Wachtel. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Roland Pederson.

DeWitt, Dale, Braman, to the Board of Regents of the Northern Oklahoma College, to serve an unexpired term ending June 30, 2017, succeeding Tom J. Dugger. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Roland Pederson.

DeWitt, Dale, Braman, to the Board of Regents of the Northern Oklahoma College, to serve a five year term ending June 30, 2022, succeeding himself. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Roland Pederson.

Everest, Tricia, Nichols Hills, to the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, to serve a seven-year term ending December 31, 2023, succeeding Paul Pierce. (Health and Human Services Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Ervin Yen.

Farabough, Gary W., Ardmore, to the Board of Trustees for the University Center of Southern Oklahoma, to serve a nine-year term ending June 30, 2026, succeeding himself. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Frank Simpson.

Greenhaw, Joshua C., Oklahoma City, to the Capitol-Medical Center Improvement and Zoning Commission, to serve a four-year term ending January 31, 2020, succeeding himself. (General Government Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Anastasia Pittman.

Grissom, Stephen E., Tulsa, to the Board of Juvenile Affairs, to serve a four-year term ending July 1, 2021, succeeding himself. (Health and Human Services Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Gary Stanislawski.

Keating, Frank, Oklahoma City, to the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma, to serve a seven-year term ending March 21, 2024, succeeding Aaron M. Weitzenhoffer. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Ervin Yen.

Kouplen, Sean P., Tulsa, to the Board of Trustees for Oklahoma State University/Tulsa, to serve a seven-year term ending June 30, 2024, succeeding himself. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Joe Newhouse.

Milner, Dr. Trudy J., Tulsa, to the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges, to serve an eight-year term ending April 4, 2025, succeeding herself. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Gary Stanislawski.

Vogel, Cynthia, Tulsa, to the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board, to serve a six-year term ending July 1, 2022, succeeding Judy Haught. (General Government Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Dave Rader.

Williams, Robert, Gould, to the Board of Regents of Western Oklahoma State College, to serve an unexpired term ending March 24, 2021, succeeding Lindsey Treadwell. (Education Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Mike Schulz.

Youngblood, Karen E., Yukon, to the Board of Juvenile Affairs, to serve an unexpired term ending July 1, 2018, succeeding Wendell M. Hixson. (Health and Human Services Committee) Motion to confirm made by Senator Stephanie Bice.

Motions to confirm the above named executive nominations were declared adopted upon roll call as follows:

Aye: Allen, Bass, Bergstrom, Bice, Boggs, Brecheen, Daniels, Dossett, Dugger, Fields, Floyd, Fry, Griffin, Holt, Jech, Kidd, Leewright, Loveless, Marlatt, Matthews, McCortney, Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson, Pemberton, Pittman, Pugh, Quinn, Rader, Schulz, Scott, Sharp, Shaw, Silk, Simpson, Sparks, Standridge, Stanislawski, Thompson, Treat and Yen.--41.

Nay: Dahm and Sykes.--2.

Excused: Brown, David, Newberry and Smalley.--4.

Vacancy: District 44.--1.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Advising passage of and transmitting for consideration Engrossed **HB 2342**.

HB 2342 – By Osborn (Leslie) and Wallace of the House and David and Fields of the Senate.

An Act relating to the Department of Human Services; making appropriations; stating purposes; directing certain transfers; establishing procedure; making appropriations nonfiscal; making appropriations exempt from certain agency category and budget limits; and declaring an emergency.

The above-numbered measure was read the first time.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATION

The following executive nomination was read and referred to the committee indicated:

Jolley, Joseph (Clark), Edmond, as a member of the Oklahoma Tax Commission - Appropriations

Senator Treat moved that when the clerk's desk is clear, the Senate stand adjourned to convene Thursday, March 30, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., which motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following were reported by the committees named, ordered printed and placed on the Calendar:

DO PASS, As Amended:

HB 1188 – Appropriations

Ayes: Allen, Bass, Bergstrom, Bice, Boggs, Dahm, Daniels, Dossett, Dugger, Fields, Floyd, Fry, Griffin, Holt, Jech, Kidd, Leewright, Marlatt, Matthews, Newhouse, Pederson, Pemberton, Pugh, Quinn, Rader, Sharp, Shaw, Simpson, Standridge, Stanislawski, Sykes, Thompson, Treat, Yen

HB 1844 – Appropriations

Ayes: Allen, Bass, Bergstrom, Bice, Boggs, Daniels, Dossett, Fields, Fry, Griffin, Holt, Jech, Kidd, Leewright, Loveless, Marlatt, McCortney, Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson, Pemberton, Pugh, Rader, Scott, Sharp, Smalley, Standridge, Stanislawski, Thompson, Treat, Yen

Nays: Brecheen, Dahm, Dugger, Floyd, Matthews, Pittman, Quinn, Simpson, Sykes

HB 2298 – Appropriations

Ayes: Allen, Bass, Bergstrom, Bice, Boggs, Brecheen, Dahm, Daniels, Dossett, Dugger, Fields, Fry, Holt, Jech, Kidd, Leewright, Loveless, Marlatt, McCortney, Newhouse, Pemberton, Pugh, Quinn, Rader, Schulz, Scott, Sharp, Shaw, Silk, Simpson, Standridge, Stanislawski, Thompson, Treat

Nays: Floyd, Matthews, Pederson, Pittman, Sykes, Yen

CHANGE IN AUTHORS/COAUTHORS

The following measures were authored/coauthored:

HB 1104 - Coauthored by Senator Kidd

Coauthored by Senator Scott

HB 1427 - Coauthored by Senator Kidd

HB 1510 - Coauthored by Senator Dahm

Coauthored by Senator Smalley

HB 1720 - Coauthored by Senator Leewright

HB 2298 - Coauthored by Senator Treat

Pursuant to the Treat motion, the Senate adjourned at 2:05 p.m. to meet Thursday, March 30, 2017, at 9:30 a.m.