# **HOUSE JOURNAL**

# First Regular Session of the Sixtieth Legislature

# of the State of Oklahoma

## Fifty-fifth Legislative Day, Monday, May 12, 2025

The House was called to order by Representative Pae.

The roll was called with 89 Members present.

The following Members were excused: Dollens, Marti, Patzkowsky, Pfeiffer, Pittman, Rosecrants, Stinson, Tedford, West (Kevin).—9.

Vacancy: District 71, District 74, District 97—3.

Representative Pae declared a quorum present.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Ronnie Wilson, House Chaplain.

The Journal for the last legislative day was approved.

#### ENGROSSED AND ENROLLED MEASURES

HAs to SBs 20, 32, 331, 453, 632, 641, 642, 676, 688, 697, 711, 1039, 1054 and 1067 were reported correctly engrossed, properly signed, in open session, and the measures, as amended, were ordered returned to the Honorable Senate.

HBs 1466, 1497, 1666, 1996, 2048, 2052, 2103, 2131, 2619, 2673 and 2818 were reported correctly enrolled and, after fourth reading, properly signed, in open session, and ordered transmitted to the Honorable Senate.

## MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Advising the Honorable House of Representatives that the following members of the Senate have been named as conferees on the General Conference Committee on Appropriations.

## Hall, Chair Haste, Vice-Chair

Brooks	Pugh
Dossett	Rader
Gollihare	Reinhardt
Goodwin	Rosino
Green	Sacchieri
Hicks	Seifried
Howard	Stanley
Jech	Stewart
Kirt	Thompson
Murdock	Weaver
Pederson	Woods
Prieto	

#### **Conferees named**

Advising naming GCCA as Senate Conferees as follows:

SB 31 SB 50 SB 130

Advise naming Senate Conferees as follows:

SB 109 - Stanley, Coleman, Hall, Rader, Jech and Hicks

#### **Transmitting enrolled measures**

Advising fourth reading of and transmitting for signature Enrolled SBs 208, 368, 480 and 491.

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

#### MOTION

Representative Bashore moved that the Honorable Senate be notified by message that the House of Representatives is duly assembled and ready to convene the Fifth Joint Session of the First Regular Session of the Sixtieth Legislature, which motion was declared adopted.

#### JOINT SESSION

The Fifth Joint Session of the First Regular Session of the Sixtieth Legislature assembled in the House Chamber on Monday, May 12, 2025, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Matt Pinnell.

Senator Daniels moved that the attendance roll call of the Senate be considered the roll call of the Senate in Joint Session, which was the order.

Representative West (Josh) moved that the attendance roll call of the House be considered the roll call of the House in Joint Session, which was the order.

President Pinnell declared quorums of the Senate and House present and the Joint Session duly assembled.

President Pinnell recognized Tommy Howell, Chaplain of the Oklahoma Veterans Council, who offered the invocation.

President Pinnell recognized Nadine Lewis, Vice-Chairman of the Oklahoma Veterans Council, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pinnell recognized Amy Stoker, who sang the National Anthem.

President Pinnell recognized Speaker Hilbert, who addressed the Joint Session.

President Pinnell recognized President Pro Tempore Paxton, who addressed the Joint Session.

President Pinnell addressed the Joint Session.

President Pinnell recognized Oklahoma Veterans Council Chairman, Pete Peterson, who conducted the Veterans Awareness Day Ceremony.

Chairman Peterson recognized Senator Stanley, Chairman of the Senate Veterans and Military Affairs Committee, who addressed the Joint Session.

Chairman Peterson recognized Representative Smith, Chairman of the House Veterans and Military Affairs Committee, who addressed the Joint Session.

Chairman Peterson introduced Vice-Chairman of the Oklahoma Veterans Council Awards Committee, Nadine Lewis.

Vice-Chairman Lewis presented the Senator of the Year award to Senator Kirt.

Vice-Chairman Lewis presented the Representative of the Year award to Representative Smith.

Vice-Chairman Lewis recognized the Veteran of the Year and the Veteran and Military/Veteran Family of the Year recipients.

Chairman Peterson gave closing remarks and recognition of Veterans serving in the Legislature.

President Pinnell recognized Tommy Howell, Chaplain of the Oklahoma Veterans Council, who offered the closing benediction.

Upon motion of Representative West (Josh), the Joint Session was ordered dissolved at 3:00 p.m.

#### **Speaker Pro Tempore Moore Presiding**

#### **MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

Announcing the passage of and returning engrossed measures, as amended: **HBs 1075**, Coauthored by Representative Staires, **1087**, Coauthored by Representatives Waldron and Wolfley, **1096**, **1138**, **1282**, **1421**, **1422**, **1576**, **1607**, Coauthored by Representative Pittman, **1727**, Coauthored by Senators Pederson, Hicks and Mann and Representatives Alonso-Sandoval, Ranson, Waldron, Rosecrants and Wolfley, **1728**, **1808**, Coauthored by Senator Stanley, **1955**, Coauthored by Representative Pittman, **2011**, Coauthored by Senator Kern and Representative Kendrix, **2013**, Coauthored by Senator Hicks, **2118**, **2136**, **2147**, Coauthored by Representative Waldron, **2155**, Coauthored by Representative Waldron, **2160**, Coauthored by Senator Burns, **2257**, **2258**, **2260**, **2298**, Coauthored by Senators Coleman, Mann and Green and Representatives Cantrell, Munson and Kelley, **2565**, **2584**, **2622**, **2645** and **2646**.

Senate amendments were read on the above-numbered measures.

#### **Returning enrolled measures**

Announcing that Enrolled **HBs 1466, 1497, 1666, 1996, 2048, 2052, 2103, 2131, 2619, 2673** and **2818** have been read at length for the fourth time and signed by the Presiding Officer of Senate, in open session.

The above measures were ordered transmitted to the Honorable Governor.

#### **Conference requested**

Advising rejection of **HAs** and requesting conference thereon, the Senate naming conferees later: **SBs 32, 85, 209, 647, 687, 840, 893, 997** and **1054**.

#### **Conferees named**

Advising naming Senate Conferees as follows:

SB 132 - Burns, Green, Woods, Radar, Thompson and Boren
SB 146 - Murdock, Weaver, Hamilton, Kern, Jech and Brooks
SB 176 - Dossett, Coleman, Alvord, Weaver, Standridge and Mann
SB 951 - Murdock, Pugh, Seifried, Rader, Sacchieri and Dossett

## **VOTE DECLARATION**

Representative Jenkins asked that the Journal reflect that on Wednesday, May 7, she should have voted nay on the question to uphold the decision of the Presiding Officer during consideration of **SB 2**.

#### **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

Advising of his approval of **HBs 1126, 1205, 1217, 1393, 1458, 1693, 1731, 1940, 2037, 2081** and **2364** on May 9, 2025.

Advising of his veto of HB 1751 on May 9, 2025. The veto message reads as follows:

TO THE HONORABLE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE SIXTIETH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 1751:

By: Kerbs of the House and Hall of the Senate

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution, I have vetoed Enrolled House Bill **1751**.

Through EO 2023-14 and EO 2025-03, I have made my intentions clear that the State of Oklahoma and its agencies need to be intentional about the cars it purchases and maintains. In what is branded as a "clean-up bill", language allowing Service Oklahoma to increase the state's fleet numbers and purchase more cars is hidden in this 86-page bill.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Enrolled Senate Bill 1751.

By the Governor of the State of Oklahoma

/s/ Kevin Stitt

Advising of his veto of HB 1487 on May 9, 2025. The veto message reads as follows:

## TO THE HONORABLE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE SIXTIETH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

## ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 1487:

By: Johns of the House and Frix of the Senate

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution, I have vetoed Enrolled House Bill **1487**.

This bill is yet another law adding more special interest license plates to the 266 existing designs. While I appreciate enthusiasm for non-profits, causes, and the occasional obscure organization, we might want to pump the brakes on turning our roadways into rolling billboards. Special interest plates might be well-intentioned, but piling them on clutters the system, complicates enforcement, and often serves more as symbolic feel-good policy than meaningful progress.

If the Legislature wanted to drive real change, they would streamline the fees for all license plates and ensure the state is not losing money on this effort instead of turning Service OK into Etsy for car bumpers.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Enrolled House Bill 1487.

By the Governor of the State of Oklahoma

/s/ Kevin Stitt

Advising of his veto of **HB 2163** on May 10, 2025. The veto message reads as follows:

TO THE HONORABLE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE SIXTIETH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 2163:

By: Pfeiffer of the House and Howard of the Senate

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution, I have vetoed Enrolled House Bill **2163**.

This bill grants the Attorney General sweeping and unchecked authority to access records from any state agency, board, commission, or independently elected official—including confidential and privileged documents. That kind of power is unprecedented in Oklahoma and would undermine the balance of power among independently elected offices.

Under this law, the Attorney General could demand internal records and attorney-client communications from agencies—even in cases where he is suing or investigating them. That creates a dangerous conflict of interest. For example, the current Attorney General has sued the Statewide Charter School Board, an entity he previously represented. If this bill became law, he could compel the board to hand over privileged information, giving him an unfair advantage in ongoing litigation. No office should be allowed to stack the deck in its own favor.

Oklahomans have several effective tools to ensure transparency and accountability in government. Public records laws and the courts provide a neutral, fair process to review and resolve disputes over access to information. This bill bypasses that process and concentrates too much power in one office.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Enrolled House Bill 2163.

By the Governor of the State of Oklahoma

/s/ Kevin Stitt

#### HOUSE MEASURES BECOMING LAW

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 1091** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 1124** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 1278** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 1413** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 1588** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 1595** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 2111** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 2207** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 2215** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 2392** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **House Bill 2647** has become law without the Governor's signature on May 11, 2025.

#### **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 1646** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 1743** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 1935** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 1991** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2049** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2158** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2161** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2261** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2295** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2297** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2376** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2705** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2731** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2746** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2804** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2888** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

In accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Enrolled **HB 2903** has become law without the Governor's signature and has been filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on May 12, 2025.

Representative Bashore moved that when the clerk's desk is clear, the House stand adjourned to reconvene at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 13, 2025, which was the order.

Pursuant to the motion of Representative Bashore, the House was adjourned at 3:05 p.m., to reconvene Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.