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House of Representatives

- 101 Members
- Two-Year Elected Terms
- Republicans have controlled the House since 2004
- Current Breakdown: 72 Republicans / 29 Democrats
- 16 Newly Elected Representatives (2012)
  - 13 Republicans, 3 Democrats
- Presided over by Speaker T.W. Shannon

State Senate

- 48 Members
- Four-Year Staggered Elected Terms
- Republicans gained control of the Senate in 2008
- Current Breakdown: 36 Republicans / 12 Democrats
- 8 Newly Elected Senators (2012)
  - 7 Republicans, 1 Democrat [previously served in House]
- Presided over by President Pro-Tempore Brian Bingman
- Lt. Governor Todd Lamb is the President of the Senate
Legislative Salary

- Members - $38,400 (base)
- President Pro-Tempore and Speaker - $17,932 (additional)
- Other Top Leadership - $12,364 (additional)
- All Members Receive Travel and Per Diem during Legislative Session

Terms of Office

- Prohibition on holding multiple offices;
- A twelve-year term limit:
  - Years in legislative office do not need not to be consecutive;
  - Years of service in both the Senate and the House of Representatives are added together and included in determining the total number of legislative years in office.
- In the event of a vacancy in the Legislature, the Governor calls a special election to fill the vacancies.
House Majority Leadership

Speaker
T.W. Shannon (R-Lawton)

Speaker Pro Tempore
Mike Jackson (R-Enid)

Majority Floor Leader
Pam Peterson (R-Tulsa)

Majority Leaders
• Dennis Johnson (R-Duncan)
• Fred Jordan (R-Tulsa)

Assistant Majority Floor Leaders
• Lee Denney (R-Cushing)
• Charles Ortega (R-Altus)
• Randy McDaniel (R-Oklahoma City)

Caucus Chair
• Weldon Watson (R-Tulsa)

Caucus Vice-Chair
• Harold Wright (R-Weatherford)

Majority Whip
• Todd Thomsen (R-Ada)

Assistant Majority Whips
• Mike Sanders (R-Kingfisher)
• Steve Vaughan (R-Ponca City)
• Todd Russ (R-Cordell)
• Sean Roberts (R-Hominy)

Caucus Secretary
• Elise Hall (R-Oklahoma City)
House Minority Leadership

MINORITY LEADER
Scott Inman (D- Oklahoma City)

MINORITY FLOOR LEADER
• Ben Sherrer (D- Choteau)

DEPUTY MINORITY FLOOR LEADER
• Eric Proctor (D- Tulsa)

ASSISTANT MINORITY FLOOR LEADERS
• Steve Kouplen (D-Beggs)
• Jeannie McDaniel (D-Tulsa)
• Wade Rousellot (D-Wagoner)
• Mike Shelton (D-Oklahoma City)
• Brian Renegar (D-McAlester)
• Emily Virgin (D-Norman)

MINORITY WHIP
• Chuck Hoskin (D-Vinita)

ASSISTANT MINORITY WHIP
• Cory Williams (D-Stillwater)

MINORITY CAUCUS CHAIR
• Jerry McPeek (D-Warner)

MINORITY CAUCUS VICE-CHAIR
• Joe Dorman (D-Rush Springs)

MINORITY CAUCUS SECRETARY
• Curtis McDaniel (D-Smithville)
Senate Majority Leadership

**President Pro-Tempore**
Brian Bingman (R-Sapulpa)

**Majority Floor Leader**
Mike Schultz (R-Altus)

**Assistant Majority Floor Leaders**
- Cliff Branan (R–Oklahoma City)
- John Ford (R–Tulsa)
- Rob Johnson (R–Yukon)

**Majority Whips**
- Rick Brinkley (R-Tulsa)
- Kim David (R-Porter)
- David Holt (R–Oklahoma City)
- Greg Treat (R-Oklahoma City)

**Caucus Chair**
- Bryce Marlatt (R–Woodward)

**Vice Caucus Chair**
- A.J. Griffin (R-Guthrie)

**Rural Caucus Chair**
- Ron Justice (R-Chickasha)
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Senate Minority Leadership

MINORITY LEADER
Sean Burrage (D-Claremore)

ASSISTANT MINORITY FLOOR LEADERS
• Roger Ballenger (D-Okmulgee)
• Jerry Ellis (D-Valliant)
• John Sparks (D-Norman)
• Charles Wyrick (D-Fairland)

MINORITY WHIPS
• Earl Garrison (D-Muskogee)
• Al McAffrey (D-Oklahoma City)

CAUCUS CHAIR
• Tom Ivester (D-Sayre)

CAUCUS VICE-CHAIR
• Susan Paddack (D-Ada)
Governor as Chief Executive

- Elected to a four-year term, two-term limit.
- Powers and Duties:
  - Head of state and chief executive for the State of Oklahoma
  - Commander in Chief of the Oklahoma National Guard
  - Delivers yearly “State of the State” address to the Legislature on the first day of session

Governor Mary Fallin (R)

- Elected November 2010
- Former Member of Congress, Lieutenant-Governor, House member
EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Executive Branch Officials (Elected)

Lt. Governor
Todd Lamb

Attorney General
Scott Pruitt

State Treasurer
Ken Miller

Insurance Commissioner
John Doak

State Auditor & Inspector
Gary Jones

Labor Commissioner
Mark Costello

Superintendent of Public Instruction
Janet Barresi

Corporation Commissioners
Dana Murphy (chair)
Bob Anthony
Patrice Douglas
Governor Fallin’s Cabinet (Appointed)

- **Secretary of the Military**: Major General Myles Deering
- **Chief Information Officer**: Alex Pettit
- **Secretary of Agriculture**: Jim Reese
- **Secretary of Commerce and Tourism**: Dave Lopez
- **Secretary of Education**: Dr. Phyllis Hudecki
- **Secretary of Energy**: Mike Ming
- **Secretary of Environment**: Gary Sherrer
- **Secretary of Finance and Revenue**: Preston Doerflinger
- **Secretary of Health and Human Services**: Dr. Terry Cline
- **Secretary of Human Resources and Administration**: Oscar Jackson
- **Secretary of Safety and Security**: Michael C. Thompson
- **Secretary of State**: Michelle Day (interim)
- **Secretary of Transportation**: Gary Ridley
- **Secretary of Science and Technology**: Dr. Stephen McKeever
- **Secretary of Veterans Affairs**: Rita Aragon, Maj. Gen (retired)
Regular Session

• Legislative Sessions begin at noon on the first Monday in February and must adjourn by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last Friday in May.

• However, in odd numbered years (years following an election) the Legislature meets on the Tuesday after the first Monday in January for the sole purpose of determining the outcome of the statewide elections.

• The current 2013 session is designated as the First Session of the 54th Legislature.

Special Session

• Special sessions can be convened as follows:
  o Issued jointly by two-thirds of the members of the Senate and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives, OR
  o Call of the Governor.

• Special sessions can run concurrent with regular sessions.
Where Do Bills Come From?

- Request of a government agency or local government
- Request of an interest group
- Request of a constituent
- National model legislation (e.g. NCSL, ALEC)

Preparation

- All bills must be requested and introduced by a legislator
- The deadline to request a bill is December 14, 2012
- The deadline to introduce a bill is January 17, 2013 (with some exceptions – see slide 17)
Volume of Legislation

- Legislators may introduce an unlimited number of bills
  - For non-leadership House members, only eight bills per session may be assigned to regular committees for consideration (extra bills sent to Rules Committee)
- 1,119 Senate bills and 45 Joint Resolutions were introduced in 2013*
- 1,259 House bills and 43 Joint Resolutions were introduced in 2013*
- In the previous Legislature (2011-2012), there were a total of 3,147 bills and 224 Joint Resolutions introduced in both Chambers.
  - The previous Legislature sent 937 measures to Governor Fallin. She vetoed 22 of those measures.

*Excluding those not subject to the deadline for introducing legislation (see “Deadline Exceptions” on slide 17).
### Legislative Deadlines: 2013 Session

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*Exceptions to these deadlines are listed on the following slide.
Deadline Exceptions

Some measures are not subject to deadlines and can be introduced and dealt with at any time during session. Major deadline exceptions are:

• Bills or joint resolutions authored by Appropriations Committee chairs and vice-chairs which affect the receipt, expenditure or budgeting of state funds;

• Bills or joint resolutions authored by the Senate President Pro Tem and House Speaker which are deemed necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety;

• Joint resolutions introduced to approve or disapprove agency rules (Senate rules only);

Exceptions also apply to bills merging duplicate sections of law, Ethics Commission rules, special laws, and redistricting bills

Found in Senate Rule 16-1, Section C and House Rule 6.1, Section b.
First Reading

- Bill introduced by legislator;
- Bill “read” into the House or Senate Journal;
- Procedural motion – no votes required.

Second Reading

- Preliminary action for the referral of bills to committee for discussion and debate;
- Occurs the day following first reading;
- By order of the House Speaker or Senate Pro-Tempore, the bill can be placed directly on the calendar for the consideration of the legislative body (the next legislative day).
Committee Assignment

Bill Assignments are Determined by Legislative Leadership

- Floor Leaders in consultation with the President Pro-Tem/Speaker

Committee Structure

- Each committee and subcommittee has a Chair and Vice-Chair appointed by leadership
  - Chairs are all members of the majority party;
  - Some Vice-Chairs in both chambers are members of the minority.
- Senate: 16 full standing committees and 6 appropriations subcommittees.
- House: 21 full standing committees and 12 appropriations subcommittees.
- Bills referred to the Appropriations Committee are further assigned to subcommittees for discussion and vote.
- Under new (2011) Senate rules, bills affecting the receipt, expenditure or budgeting of state funds may be double-assigned to the Appropriations or Finance Committee in addition to their regular committee.
## Senate Committee Structure and Chairs

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Committee Hearing

- Bills are considered by committees only if put on the agenda by the chair.
- Committee hearings may offer opportunities for supporters and opponents of legislation to have their voices heard.
- Bills can be changed through amendments. A substantial change to a bill is rewritten as a “Committee Substitute.”
- Bills are reported from committee with recommendations.
  - If the bill is not heard or it fails to receive a simple majority vote, it is said to “die in committee” (or “report progress”);
  - If the bill received a “do pass” motion and secured a majority vote of the committee members, the bill is printed and placed on the general order for consideration by the full body of the chamber.
- Bills assigned to the Appropriations Committee must be approved by the subcommittee and the full committee before advancing.
Third Reading

- From committee, bills are placed on General Order and then brought up for a third reading for the full body of the chamber.
- Substantial changes to a bill are written as a “Floor Substitute.” House rules require that Floor Substitutes be submitted 48 hours prior to a bill’s hearing.
- All bills must receive support from a majority of the full membership to pass (51 votes in the House, 25 in the Senate). Emergency Clauses attached to bills and measures that change the constitution require 2/3rds majority vote.
- All bills have titles. If members “Strike the Title,” the bill becomes “defective” or “crippled.” This action ensures that it will come back for further consideration. This mostly happens to bills containing financial impacts to the state or that are works in progress.
- Bills that pass are transmitted to the other chamber.
Opposite Chamber

- Following successful passage of a bill in its chamber of origin, it becomes “engrossed” and is sent to the opposite chamber.

- Bills advance through the same process of First Reading, Second Reading, committee consideration, and Third Reading as in the original chamber.
  - There are some variations in the procedures used by each chamber as specified by the House and Senate Rules.
  - Bills can have their titles stricken during this process.
  - For bills that already have stricken titles, the second chamber may “Strike the Enacting Clause,” which further ensures that the bill will not advance without further consideration by both chambers.

- If bills pass the opposite chamber unchanged, it becomes “enrolled” and is sent to the Governor for her/his action.

- If bills are amended in any way, they are returned to the original chamber for additional consideration.
After Third Reading

• Once the bill returns to the original chamber, the author can:
  o Move to accept the amendments. If approved by a vote of the chamber, it is moved to Fourth Reading and Final Passage under the same rules as Third Reading; OR
  o Move to reject the amendments and send the bill to conference committee.
• Bills with stricken titles and/or enacting clauses must be sent to a conference committee to advance further.

Conference Committee

• A bill must be assigned to a conference committee for it to advance.
• Committees contain at least three members assigned by House and Senate leadership.
• Appropriations bills and bills with budgetary impacts may be referred to the General Conference Committee on Appropriations (GCCA).
• Beginning in 2011, the House has established eight permanent standing conference committees that hold public meetings and votes. Previously, few conference committees other than the GCCA actually met.
• On the Senate side, conference committee negotiations remain closed to the public.
Conference Committee Reports

• A Conference Committee can:
  o Accept the amendments from both houses.
  o Reject the amendments of both houses and propose a Conference Committee Substitute.
  o Conference Committee Substitutes can at times bear little resemblance to the original legislation proposed. They may contain language from bills that were defeated or not heard earlier in session.

• Action taken by a Conference Committee results in a Conference Committee Report (CCR). The report must gain a majority of signatures from members assigned to the committee from each chamber.

• CCRs must be filed and posted online for a minimum of 24 hours before they can be considered by the House.

• CCRs are submitted to a vote of the originating chamber first. Reports can be approved or rejected, but not amended.

• If a CCR is approved, it is then brought up for a vote on fourth and final reading. If approved, the CCR is brought to the second chamber for approval.

• If a CCR is rejected, another conference may be requested with the same or different members appointed by the two chambers.
Action by the Governor

An enrolled bill approved by both chambers is transmitted to the Governor. The Governor can do the following:

- Sign the bill into law within five days.
- Allow the bill to become law by taking no action within five days when the legislature is in session.
- Veto the entire bill. The legislature can override the Governor by a 2/3rd majority vote (68 votes from the House and 32 from the Senate). If the bill contains an emergency clause, the veto must be overridden by a 3/4th majority vote (76 votes from the House and 36 from the Senate).
- Line-item veto spending items in appropriations bills. Such vetoes are similarly subject to being overridden by the legislature.
- Following legislative adjournment, the Governor has fifteen days to sign the bill, veto a bill, or exercise a “pocket veto” by taking no action.
To Find the Status and History of a Bill

1. Go to www.oklegislature.gov

2. Under the “Legislation” menu:
   
   • Select “Basic Bill Search” if you know the bill number and it is from the current session.
   • Select “Advanced Search Form” if you want to find multiple bills, bills from previous sessions, and/or all bills authored by a particular legislator.
   • Select “Text of Measures” to see all measures in a particular session and chamber, or select “Search Text of Measures” to find a particular word or phrase in a current bill.

NOTE: “Introduced” is the initial version of a bill. “Engrossed” is the version that passed the first chamber. “Enrolled” is the final version.
Revenue and Budget

- The legislature appropriates for the upcoming fiscal year (July 1 to June 30).

- Constitutional Tax & Budget Restrictions:
  - The Oklahoma Constitution requires a balanced budget.
  - Under SQ 640, tax increases must be approved by a 3/4ths vote of the legislature or a vote of the people at the time of the next general election.
  - Appropriations cannot be increased year to year by more than 12 percent plus inflation.

- Appropriation totals are based on projected revenue as certified by the Equalization Board in December (preliminary) and in February (final).

- The Board projects upcoming revenue for the year for each appropriated fund based on estimates of tax collections.

For a complete discussion of the budget process and glossary of terms, see OK Policy’s Online Budget Guide at http://okpolicy.org/resources/online-budget-guide/.
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**BUDGET PROCESS**

**Budget Timeline**

- **July 1**: Beginning of the new Fiscal Year
- **January**: Governor submits the Executive Budget to the Oklahoma State Legislature for Consideration
- **February**: Legislature in Session
- **March**: Legislative Review of State Agency Budgets; Passage of Budgets for State Agencies
- **April**: House and Senate Committees Hold Agency Performance Review Hearings
- **May**: OMES Reviews State Agency Budget Requests; House and Senate Committees Hold Agency Performance Review Hearings
- **June**: Final Review of Available Revenue for Expenditure by State Legislature by the State Board of Equalization
- **June 30**: End of Fiscal Year
- **July 30**: Preliminary Certification of State Revenue by the State Board of Equalization for next year
The six largest sources accounted for 88 percent of all tax revenues in 2011:

- Personal Income Tax – 30.7%
- General Sales Tax – 28.0%
- Gross Production Tax (Severance) – 10.7%
- Motor Vehicle Tax – 8.2%
- Motor Fuels Tax – 5.8%
- Corporate Income Tax – 4.6%
BUDGET PROCESS

Appropriating Revenue

• The largest fund subject to appropriations is the General Revenue (GR) Fund. Other major funds have restricted purposes.

• The legislature cannot appropriate more than 95 percent of certified funds for the upcoming year. This allows for a budgetary cushion in case of a revenue shortfall.

• During the fiscal year, if GR falls below 95 percent of the certified projection, a budget shortfall is declared and across-the-board cuts proportional to the shortfall become necessary.

• Some funds are not certified and the legislature can appropriate 100% of the projected revenues (e.g. HB 1017 Education Reform Fund).
BUDGET PROCESS

State Appropriations by Revenue Source, FY ‘13

Total: $6,856 million

- General Revenue (Current Year)
  - Current Year: $5,307.8 M (77%)
- Gross Production Tax (Oil)
  - Current Year: $142.1 M (2%)
- Special Cash
  - Current Year: $183.9 M (3%)
- Other
  - Current Year: $123.4 M (2%)
- Lobbying
  - Prior Year: $65.3 M (1%)
- HB 1017 (Education)
  - Current Year: $726.2 M (11%)
- ROADS Fund (Transportation)
  - Current Year: $206.4 M (3%)

Total: $6,856 million
Rainy Day Fund

- General Revenue collections exceeding 100% of certification are deposited in the Constitutional Reserve Fund (known as the Rainy Day Fund), created in 1985.

- Money in the Rainy Day Fund can be spent as follows:
  - Up to $10 million from the RDF on tax incentives for at-risk manufacturers [SQ 725, 2006]
  - Up to 3/8th for a shortfall in current year General Revenue collections;
  - Up to an additional 3/8th if projected General Revenues collections for the upcoming year are below General Revenue collections for the current fiscal year;
  - Up to an additional 1/4th upon declaration of an Emergency and legislative approval; and
Rainy Day Fund History

- FY ’03 - ’04: Rainy Day Fund (RDF) depleted
- FY ’06 - ’08: RDF filled to constitutional cap
- RDF spent in 2010 Session for FY ‘10 and FY ‘11 operations
  - $100 million transferred to Special Cash Fund and set aside for FY ‘12
- $249.2 million deposited at end of FY ‘11
- Additional $328.3 million deposited at end of FY ‘12

Rainy Day Fund Fiscal Year Opening Balances (in $ millions)
State Budget

- State agencies combine funding streams and sources. Three main funding sources pay for government operations and programs:
  - State Appropriated Funds,
  - Federal Funds, and
  - Revolving Funds (fees, millage, co-pays, etc).

- State agencies are either *appropriated* or *non-appropriated*.
  - Non-appropriated agencies are funded through fees, assessments, contributions, etc. (examples: Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, State Banking Department, Board of Nursing, and others).
BUDGET PROCESS

Appropriations by Fiscal Year, 2000-2013*

*In millions of dollars; includes supplementals and Rainy Day Funds; excludes non-recurring “spillover funds”.

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Appropriations fell in FY’03 and ‘04, then recovered strongly from FY’05 – ‘08. Funding was largely flat in FY ‘09 as tax cuts kicked in.

State revenues plummeted and budgets were cut in the recession from FY ’10 - ’12. Federal stimulus dollars and the Rainy Day Fund limited the magnitude of cuts.

FY ’13 appropriations were $252 million, or 3.8 percent, below the pre-recession peak.

Most agencies received flat funding in FY ’13. Of the 78 appropriated agencies, boards, and commissions, 46 were appropriated the same amount or less than in FY ‘12.
BUDGET PROCESS

Appropriations by Subcommittee, FY ’13

- Education – 51.0%
- Health & Social Services – 20.3%
- Public Safety – 10.8%
- Human Services – 10.4%
- General Government – 5.2%
- Natural Resources – 2.0%
- Other – 0.2%

Total: $6,856 million
10 Largest Agencies – 89.3%
- Common Education: 34.2%
- Higher Education: 13.9%
- Health Care Authority: 13.6%
- Dept. of Human Services: 8.6%
- Dept. of Corrections: 6.8%
- Dept. of Transportation: 3.0%
- Mental Health Dept.: 4.5%
- CareerTech: 2.0%
- Juvenile Affairs: 1.4%
- Public Safety: 1.3%

All Others – 10.7%
- 68 other appropriated state agencies, boards, and commissions

Total: $6,856 million
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Helpful Online Resources

- The Online Budget Guide, County-Level Data App, OK Policy Blog, and more at [www.okpolicy.org](http://www.okpolicy.org)

- Oklahoma Legislature Home Page: [www.oklegislature.gov](http://www.oklegislature.gov)
  - Link to House and Senate Homepages
  - Check Legislation – status, wording, intent, etc
  - Search OK Statutes and Constitution

- State Homepage: [www.ok.gov](http://www.ok.gov)

- Office of State Finance: [www.ok.gov/OSF/](http://www.ok.gov/OSF/)
  - Governor’s Annual Budget
  - Certification Estimates

- Open Books – Oklahoma’s Finances: [www.ok.gov/okaa/](http://www.ok.gov/okaa/)
  - State spending and budget info

- State Treasurer’s Office: [www.ok.gov/treasurer/](http://www.ok.gov/treasurer/)
  - Monthly Revenue Reporting