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From the Desk of the Executive Director

The First Session of the 56th legislature will go down as one of the most unusual legislative sessions in recent years. The stage was set with nearly a \$1 billion budget hole. This Session began with 44 new legislators and over 2,200 bills were filed including teacher pay increases, REAL ID reform, and the budget were among the top issues the State addressed this year.

The Sine Die is OML's annual report featuring a legislative wrap-up of the bills that were enacted, defeated and vetoed. You will be able to access the full bill content in this report by clicking on the bill number. Sometimes the most difficult task is working to defeat bad legislation but with your quick action alerting your legislators, OML was successful in doing just that on several pieces of legislation which are also included in this report. One of the most popular features of the Sine Die report continues to be the section that provides a breakdown by municipal department and the bills that may impact that department.

In an organization the size of the Oklahoma Municipal League, there will often be different views of issues by our members. One of the roles of the Legislative Committee is to direct the League in making decisions on issues and the course of action to take. This brings great weight and importance to this committee. All legislative committee recommendations are forwarded to the OML Board. As the policy makers of the League, the OML board will consider for approval the recommendations from the Legislative Committee. Thanks to our Chairwoman Joan Riley and to each and every member of the OML Legislative committee, your tireless efforts and contributions this past session are valuable and greatly appreciated.

We will continue our efforts to communicate effectively with legislators, mayors, city managers, councilmember's, clerk-treasurer's and all other municipal officials to ensure continued success. It is important to stay in contact with your local legislators during the interim and continue to communicate the municipal message.

Together we provide a strong voice for Oklahoma municipalities. The number one ingredient for success at the legislature and state agencies is a united collective municipal voice. Thank you so much for your efforts to make this another successful legislative session.

Sincerely,

Mike Fina
Executive Director

