

<b>Report on Bills That May Impact City Departments in Bill Number Order</b>				
<b>CITY DEPARTMENTS</b>	<b>BILL</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	<b>IMPACT</b>
Street Department, Finance	HB 1007	Requires standardized signage for handicapped parking spaces and requires adoption of ordinances.	11/1/09	Municipality must adopt ordinance by 01/01/10. Added cost for signs.
City Managers, Human Resources	HB 1025	Public employers and officials may not ask any applicant for employment whether the applicant owns or possesses a firearm.	5/22/09	Impacts hiring process.
Code Enforcement	HB 1031	Allows municipalities to adopt the building standards code of the International Code Council.	11/1/09	Can add the options of adopting the International Code Council.
Police Department, Municipal Court	HB 1049	Directs law enforcement agencies to make available for public inspection, detailed lists of all incidents.	11/1/09	Impacts Open Records Act compliance.
Police Department	HB 1084	Requires that any person who wishes to attend CLEET basic training must score a minimum of 70% on reading, comprehension and physical agility tests approved by CLEET. Requires a promissory note from attendees requiring them to stay in law enforcement in Oklahoma for 4 years following CLEET graduation or suspension if the officer defaults on the note.	11/1/09	Impacts officer costs for CLEET training.
City Attorney	HB 1389	Allows involuntary dissolution of a municipal government due to environmental causes. Also grants the prevailing party in an annexation dispute, court costs and attorney fees, including when a municipality withdraws, revokes or reverses the ordinance at issue before a final judgment.	11/1/09	Impacts annexations and creates possible incentive to forego settlements of annexation controversies.
City Council	HB 1420	Authorizes municipalities with populations of less than 5,000 to employ a part-time city planner.	11/1/09	Greater municipal authority.
City Attorney, City Council, Planning & Zoning	HB 1424	Requires written notice be mailed to all property owners within 1/4 mile of affected area before public hearings on zoning changes relating to multiple housing units, treatment, transitional, halfway houses and medical/nonmedical detox facilities.	11/1/09	Impacts zoning procedures under limited situations. Additional notice costs.

City Attorney, Code Enforcement	HB 1473	Land of 40 acres or more continuously used for agricultural purposes is exempt from municipal ordinances on land use and building construction.	11/1/09	Impacts land use authority in specific situations.
Code Enforcement, City Attorney	HB 1482	Prohibits nuisance actions brought against agricultural activities on a farm/ranch in operation for 2 years or more.	11/1/09	Impacts enforcement.
Public Works	HB 1483	Establishes standards for making water available in-state before it can be sold out-of-state.	6/2/09	Increases availability of water for Oklahoma communities.
Finance	HB 1489	Amends sunset date to 2014 for apportionment of gross production tax for OWRB's REAP program. Clarifies that 50% of funds apportioned to Community Water Infrastructure Development Revolving Fund must go to loans and grants for public water supply and wastewater systems in Oklahoma.	7/1/09	Provides additional low interest water infrastructure loan funds to municipalities.
Police Department, Planning & Zoning	HB 1509	Makes it unlawful for anyone to help a convicted sex offender avoid registration, conceal identity or keep information from peace officers. Requires offenders to notify local law enforcement when changing or terminating employment or enrollment status as a student. Also gives more control to governing bodies over zoning of treatment facilities.	11/1/09	Impacts public safety as well as planning and zoning.
Police & Fire Departments	HB 1616	Requires transport by municipal law enforcement and detention of medically unstable persons to medical facilities for treatment.	11/1/09	Increases costs.
Police Department, Municipal Court	HB 1674	Authorizes a person arrested solely for misdemeanor violation of state traffic law or municipal traffic ordinance to use an electronic signature in the procedures for posting bail and enforcing the person's obligation to appear.	11/1/09	Impacts police/court procedure.
City Council, Finance Department, City Manager	HB 1753	Authorizes the governing body to appoint a delegate to approve change orders up to \$40,000 or 10% of the contract whichever is less. Allows city managers to reside in the boundary of the city, the school district or 10 miles of the city or school district during their tenure.	11/1/09	Ease of operations.

Finance, Municipal Court, City Manager	HB 1800	Allows municipalities to charge the debtor for collection costs incurred under a contract for debt collection to collect debts for unpaid fees, penalties, municipal court costs, fines and fees. Increases from \$25 to \$30 the maximum court costs for courts not-of-record. Allows municipal courts to file claims with the OK Tax Commission to recover fines and costs from individuals who file state income tax returns.	5/22/09	Increase revenues and ease of operations.
Public Works, Planning Dept.	HB 1884	Creates study of mapping dam inundation areas and assessing impacts of new development.	4/27/09	Impacts land use and dam reconstruction costs.
Police Department, Finance	HB 2013	Prohibits an accident response fee for the response or investigation of a motor vehicle accident by law enforcement.	5/27/09	Potential loss of revenue for law enforcement.
Police Department	HB 2030	Creates Silver Alert Act and establishes rules for activation when a senior citizen is missing.	11/1/09	Enhances public safety.
City Council, Finance	HB 2067	Creates the Oklahoma Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Act to develop regional infrastructure and economic development projects.	7/1/09	Increases potential funding vehicles / cooperation
Fire Department, Human Reources	HB 2087	Authorizes municipal fire departments to conduct criminal background checks before appointing a paid employee.	11/1/09	Decreases costs and potential legal liability.
Code Enforcement	HB 2151	Clarifies that municipal laws pertaining to land use or to human health or safety are not preempted by the Dept of Agriculture's regulation of the care and handling of livestock.	5/12/09	Protects municipal regulatory authority for land use & human health & safety. No fiscal impact.
Municipal Court	HB 2250	Municipalities with their own law enforcement academies may no longer retain \$2 from the \$5 state fee collected from a person found guilty of misdemeanor possession of marijuana.	7/1/09	Loss of fees.

Public Works	SB 54	Exempts discharges or spills from rail transport, stationary facilities or equipment transport under the control of an electric utility from provisions of the OK Highway Remediation and Cleanup Services Act.	4/21/09	Impacts operations.
Public Works, Finance	SB 293	Authorizes municipally owned utilities, public trusts and GRDA to expend funds to assist customers in energy conservation programs.	11/1/09	Reduces energy costs.
City Council	SB 303	States that retail electric suppliers who have been operating under a franchise granted by the voters of a municipality will not have a right to continue and extend services within the boundaries of a municipality upon expiration of the franchise, other than as granted to an annexed area.	4/14/09	Impacts franchise rights over right-of-way.
Code Enforcement, Clerk	SB 306	Requires entities, in certain circumstances, to obtain certificates of insurance from contractors before issuing building permits. The bill contains several exemptions.	11/1/09	Impacts building permit procedure.
Police Department	SB 335	Modifies statutory duties of CLEET including suspension of certification.	11/1/09	Impact on law enforcement.
Police Department, City Attorney	SB 348	Authorizes municipalities to offer and pay rewards for evidence leading to or arrest and conviction of person who steals or defaces municipal road signs and property.	4/14/09	Reduces costs by potentially decreasing lost property.
Police & Fire Departments	SB 357	County commissioners may enter into agreements with a municipality to furnish emergency services relating to medical and wreck removal.	7/1/09	Possible county/municipal partnerships.
Police and Fire Department	SB 388	Allows Department of Public Safety to sell used vehicles and equipment to municipal law enforcement officers or firefighters who use their own vehicles for the performance of their duties.	11/1/09	Possible cost savings for municipal equipment.
Planning & Zoning	SB 505	No more than four members of a 9-member planning commission may serve on design committees or commissions of the city planning commissions.	11/1/09	Impacts planning commission.

City Council, Clerk	SB 517	Requires municipalities to provide a notice of proposed annexation, plat and map by first class mail, to the OK Tax Commission.	11/1/09	Impacts annexation procedures.
Police Department	SB 539	Requires law enforcement to notify victims of violent crimes about services for victims.	7/1/09	Impacts police procedure.
Public Works, Finance	SB 551	New funding to provide engineering studies to small municipalities for water and wastewater projects.	8/26/09	Free small system water/waste water engineering services.
Code Enforcement, City Council	SB 572	Requires that rules adopted by governing body relating to food and drink establishments cannot be more stringent than the State Board of Health rules.	11/1/09	Impacts municipal regulation.
Police Department	SB 597	Requires law enforcement officers to transport individuals to out of state mental health facilities in certain circumstances.	11/1/09	Increases costs.
Planning Department, City Attorney	SB 684	Clarifies that a quorum for the county board of adjustment is three members provided that both municipal and county representatives are present.	11/1/09	Assures municipal interests are represented.
Fire Department, City Council	SB 726	Prohibits a municipal fire chief from serving as city manager, mayor or any other position that impairs the ability to perform the duties of a fire chief.	7/1/09	Impacts hiring decisions.
City Council, City Attorney	SB 796	Changes where transitional living centers can be located and requires notification and permission from the municipal governing body prior to operating within city limits. The notice must be mailed to the elected city council members and others 30 days prior to any meeting or public hearing where the facility will be located and must state if the facility intends to house sex or capital offenders.	5/22/09	Increases operational flexibility.
Police & Fire Departments	SB 1153	Encourages local public safety agencies to use the communications standards issued by the Office of Homeland Security prior to purchasing equipment.	11/1/09	Increases to interoperability of public safety communications.

Police Department, Emergency Management	SB 1166	Mandates regional emergency communication districts for 9-1-1 based on interlocal agreements on or before December 31, 2012. If a voluntary district has not been formed by this date, the district will be co-extensive with COG boundaries.	7/1/09	Efficiencies from cost sharing once the cost of formation is incurred.
Finance, Human Resources	SB 1175	Changes eligibility requirements when separation from employment was result of compelling family circumstances, good cause for voluntarily leaving of work due to illness or relocation of spouse or to escape domestic violence or abuse. Prohibits denial of benefits to individuals seeking only part-time work when the majority of weeks in the individual's base period included part-time work.	11/1/09	Impacts unemployment compensation.
Code Enforcement, City Council, Finance	SB 1182	Requires municipalities to adopt and enforce codes once they are adopted by a newly created OK Uniform Building Commission. Municipalities may adopt and enforce higher standards after submission and approval by the Commission. Municipalities must collect permit fees and remit to the Commission Revolving Fund.	6/20/09	Allows municipalities to collect a 50 cent fee.
Public Works	SB 1185	Impacts drivers of local government vehicles for ice/snow removal as Class D driver licenses. Special provision for a snow/ice emergency.	11/1/09	Increases operational flexibility.