

MORE FROM THE SENATE FLOOR, TUESDAY, MAY 28

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■(GIT) The Senate considered the following measures on Tuesday, May 28, 1996:

HB2079, by Sen. Don Williams, D-Balko, modifies language as it relates to class size limitations. The bill provides calculation formulas and states penalties.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 47 to 0.

HB2101, by Rep. Jack Begley, D-Goodwell, allows officers or employees of a municipality with a population of more than 2,500 to conduct business with said municipality. The bill also allows members of any board of education of a municipality with a population of over 2,500 to furnish materials or supplies to said municipality and allows members of any board of education within a municipality with a population of more than 2,500 to vote on contracts between area vocational-technical schools and the entity by which the member is employed.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure with a vote of 42 to 2.

HB2271, by Sen. Brooks Douglass, R-Oklahoma City, increases minimum payments and assessments related to victim compensation.

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requiring voters to sign a precinct registry before being issued a ballot, received a 97-0 passing vote after representatives, by unanimous consent, adopted the bill's emergency clause.

House members voted 93-1 to pass **SB1002**, by Rep. Calvin Anthony, D-Stillwater, providing an additional basis for the issuance of a specified certificate from the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. The bill's passage followed the House's adoption of its second conference committee report.

SCR57, by Rep. Al Sadler, D-Ardmore, related to atomic veterans was adopted by unanimous consent.

Conference committee reports for the following measures were rejected and further conference requested and granted by the House on Tuesday: **HBs 1672, 2088, 2466, 2874 and 2981**.

House consideration of **SB1100**, the education reform bill, was laid over.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 47 to 0.

HB2463, by Sen. Larry Dickerson, D-Poteau, modifies the date to 1997 relating to required FTE recommendations from the Human Resources Management Advisory Committee.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 48 to 0.

HB2698, by Sen. Brad Henry, D-Shawnee, allows the Department of Human Services to charge a service fee to those obligated to pay child support to cover administrative costs; states that such fees shall be deposited into the Child Support Revenue Enhancement Fund.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 47 to 0.

HB2704, by Sen. Kevin Easley, D-Broken Arrow, modifies language relating to the Oklahoma Municipal Code.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure with a vote of 39 to 7.

HB2964, by Sen. Bernest Cain, D-Oklahoma City, changes the name of the Developmentally or Physically Disabled Persons Community Residential Living Act to the Community Residential Living for Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act. It transfers jurisdiction to the Department of Human Services and states that any related rules promulgated by the State Board of Health shall remain in effect until such rules are superseded by rules from the Commission for Human Services.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 48 to 0.

HCR1103, by Sen. Stratton Taylor, D-Claremore, commends Peggy Smith for being selected as the 1996 National Financial Services Advocate of the Year.

The measure was unanimously adopted.

SB709, by Sen. Ted Fisher, D-Sapulpa, directs the Corporation Commission to cause the expansion of wide area calling plans to include every local telephone exchange which is the sole unincorporated exchange seated in a county where all other exchanges seated in said county are already included in a wide

area calling plan. It also provides for related constitutional amendments.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 44 to 3.

SB742, by Sen. Larry Dickerson, D-Poteau, authorizes the Office of Personnel Management to enter into contracts for the payment of expenses relating to conferences, meetings or training sessions. It also authorizes the Office of Personnel Management to establish and collect fees for participation in training programs.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 43 to 0.

SB901, by Sen. Jerry Smith, R-Tulsa, includes dishonored checks written for child support or support alimony in the definition of false or bogus checks.

"This is an idea who's time has not come," said Sen. Ted Fisher, D-Sapulpa.

Fisher said the measure did not allow for a warning of pending legal action, after one false check, the person is sent to jail.

"Don't you think these people ought to show a pattern of this first?"

Smith said, often people will write bogus checks in an attempt to control their former spouses.

"They use it as a power play," he said.

Fearing the measure would reinstate a form of debtors prison, Sen. Howard Hendrick, R-Bethany, opposed the measure.

"You should not use a check to discharge a debt," he said. "This is like the reinstitution of debtor's prison."

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure with a vote of 30 to 15.

SB1209, by Sen. Sam Helton, D-Lawton, modifies references relating to vehicle inspection fees.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 41 to 0.

SB1227, by Sen. Ben Robinson, D-Muskogee, allows certain state government entities to participate in the State and Education Employees Group Health and Life Insurance plans under certain circumstances.

After adopting the bill's conference committee report, members passed the measure and its emergency clause with a vote of 44

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