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## REPUBLICANS GAIN THREE SEATS IN STATE LEGISLATURE

### Shifts Cement GOP Control of Veto in House, Moves Nearer in Senate

By Shawn Ashley  
Staff Writer

■(GIT) The results were nowhere near early predictions, but after the last vote from Tuesday's general election was finally counted — sometime shortly before dawn Wednesday — Oklahoma Republicans could begin bragging: They had picked up three seats in the state legislature.

The wins were not enough to give the state GOP control of either legislative body, but they were enough to more firmly cement the party's control of the veto in the House of Representatives and to endanger the Democrats control of the veto in the Senate, where two Democratic incumbents fell to Republican challengers.

In the House, where Republicans trailed Democrats by a 64-36 margin with one vacancy at the end of the 45th Legislative session, Republicans managed a one seat gain, amidst races that saw two GOP incumbents defeated. Republicans lost the services of two Tulsans, District 74's John Smaligo and District 78's Flint Breckinridge. Political newcomer Phil Ostrander captured the District 74 seat, while fellow newcomer Mary Easley, mother of Sen. Kevin Easley, D-Broken, won the District 78 seat.

In exchange, the GOP gained the District 77 seat, where Mark Liotta defeated Democratic incumbent Gary Stottlemire, and District 34, where Republican Terry Ingmire defeated Bernice Mitchell in the race for the right to succeed Rep. Calvin Anthony, D-Stillwater, who left the House to pursue a career in Washington, D.C.

Three other House races bear mentioning because of the closeness of their results:

- District 23, where Democratic incumbent Betty Boyd retained her seat by less than 150 votes over Republican challenger Jon Mullican;
- District 41, where Democratic incumbent Sean Voskuhl retained his seat by only 11 votes over GOP challenger Curt Roggow; and
- District 45, the seat vacated by Ed Crocker, where Democrat Wallace Collins notched a victory over Republican Steve

Byas by less than 200 votes, with Libertarian candidate Randy L. Boyd bringing up the rear.

In the Senate, Republicans moved closer to the 17 votes needed to control gubernatorial vetoes by picking up two seats, bringing the balance of power to 33 to 15 in favor of Democrats. How those results will play with Governor Frank Keating, who has repeatedly said he would like to see what he called more "pro-growth Democrats" in the legislature, particularly in the Senate, is unclear. With the exception of the two Democrat incumbents who went down in defeat, established lawmakers held on to the bulk of seats in the upper legislative body.

The Democrat's losses came in District 19, where incumbent Ed Long fell to Republican challenger Robert Milacek, and in Dis-

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## PHILOSOPHIES CLASH IN ELECTION'S WAKE

By Shawn Ashley  
Staff Writer

■(GIT) The dust had barely settled from Tuesday's general election when it became apparent the state's chief executive and legislative leaders were doing more than simply standing on different sides of the political aisle.

"There are two sides to every story," John Cox, press secretary for Governor Frank Keating said. "While the legislative leadership likes to think the glass is half-full, the governor thinks it's half-empty and that there are things we can do to fill it.

"It's a difference of philosophies, of political, business and economic development philosophies."

The governor's philosophy, Cox said, included improving Oklahoma through efforts such as right-to-work, workers' compensation reform and tax cuts, consistent issues of Keating's administration.

Keating, Cox and other members of the governor's administration were "ecstatic,"

the governor's press secretary said, over the results of the general election which saw the Republican Party flex its muscles and gain some ground on state Democrats.

Despite the excitement and the potentially new found power that comes with having one's party completely control the state's congressional delegation, pick up two important seats in the state Senate, maintain its control of the veto in the state House and win a spot on the Corporation Commission in the most hotly contested race in the state, Cox said, "We're ready to put politics aside and begin working again to move Oklahoma forward."

That goal was shared by Senate Speaker Pro Tempore Stratton Taylor, D-Claremore, who warned, "Governor Keating's penchant for name-calling and his endless bad-mouthing of our state will have to come to and end if we're going to work together and move Oklahoma forward."

Taylor said Keating took his best shot at taking over the legislature, but failed, and

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urged the state's chief executive to drop his confrontational attack style and adopt a more non-partisan approach to governing.

"Oklahoma needs a statesman, not the partisan attack dog we've seen for the past year and a half," said Taylor.

Taylor took particular exception with what he called the governor's "frequent personal attacks" on incumbent Democrats and his involvement in raising funds "to help bankroll campaign attack ads" against those incumbents.

"Those kind of gutter tactics may work well on the east coast or in Washington, D.C., but Oklahomans have consistently rejected them," Taylor said.

Like Cox, Taylor said there are many pressing issues currently confronting Oklahoma. After that, however, the two men part company.

"We're optimistic and positive about Oklahoma and its future," Cox said. "The disagreement is about how to get there. The Democrats are happy with the status quo, and like I said, the governor and his administration believe there is much more that can be done to make this state a player on the national and international scene."

For his part, Taylor urged the governor "to stop campaigning and begin cooperating."

"I know running Oklahoma down has become somewhat of a sport for our governor, but it just isn't productive and it apparently isn't very helpful politically judging from the election results," Taylor said. "I'm willing to extend my hand to Governor Keating, but only if he will agree to stop the bad-mouthing and name-calling."

**OKLAHOMA COUNTY PROPELS APPLE TO WIN  
IN CORPORATION COMMISSION RACE**

**By Shawn Ashley  
Staff Writer**

■(GIT) Republican incumbent Ed Apple won his first election to the Oklahoma Corporation Commission early Wednesday morning, besting former state Democratic Rep. Wanda Jo Peltier in what became one of the most watched, hotly contested and nerve wracking races in the state.

Apple captured 52.3 percent of the vote to Peltier's 47.7 percent of the vote after ballots from Oklahoma County, which accounted for nearly 12 percent of the votes cast in the race were finally counted early Wednesday morning. A glitch in the county's computerized ballot counting system left election watchers wondering who would win the race late Tuesday as an early lead for Peltier slowly began to fade before disappearing completely shortly before midnight.

From that point on, everyone, including the two candidates, were left in suspense as state and county election board officials worked to correct the problems with the Oklahoma County system. Final results of the race were not available until sometime early Wednesday morning.

It was obvious at that point that Oklahoma County voters would ultimately decide the race. Although Peltier's early lead was gone, the former lawmaker remained within striking distance of Apple, who was appointed to the commission by Governor

Frank Keating, until the Oklahoma County votes were added into the mix and Apple became the unofficial winner.

A mere 50,206 votes separated the two candidates in the final tally of the statewide race.

**PRE-FILING OF BILLS  
FOR 46TH LEGISLATURE  
STARTS THIS MONTH**

**By Gerry Cherry  
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■(GIT) Every spring the Oklahoma legislature decides the following session's important dates. Last year, in the rush of the final week, no deadline dates were set. With no dates decided before adjournment of the 45th legislature, Oklahoma's legislators are waiting until the Speaker of the house is chosen to see what dates and deadlines will be in effect for the house for the 46th session.

Former Speaker Glen Johnson allowed members to start preliminary committee assignments before the formal start of the second session of the 45th Legislature last February. No one is sure how the new speaker will approach this task. Democrats will caucus and elect a new speaker, Thursday, Nov. 7.

Until November 20, no bills can be prefiled except by senators in even-numbered districts, who were not up for re-election this year. They can file bills November 18. All the other legislators, house and senate, must be sworn in on November 19, before they are officially in the legislature. After swearing-in, legislators can pre-file bills.

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trict 49 where Republican challenger Owen Laughlin defeated incumbent Don Williams.

How Wednesday morning's results will figure into the governor's future plans is also unclear. Expressing agreement with one of his top advisors, Secretary of State and Republican political consultant Tom Cole, Keating seemed to indicate before that the outcome of the general election could significantly influence his decision to seek reelection. The formula appeared to be simple — The more Republicans that won, the higher Keating's chances of launching a reelection bid.

A collective gain of three seats, which cements the GOP's control of Keating's veto in the House and moves the party closer to control in the Senate, could arguably be the "more, more, more" Republicans Keating said were needed to make a reelection bid attractive.

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## INTERIM STUDY COVERS RURAL WATER ISSUES

By Michelle Boyd Waters  
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■(GIT) Rep. Mike Mass, D-Hartshorne and chair of the House Appropriations and Budget Subcommittee on Natural Resources, met with members of interim study 96H-08 Wednesday to determine what steps need to be taken to provide water to the smallest towns covered by the water provisions in HB1434 for towns with less than 10,000 people.

The Oklahoma Rural Water Association currently provides training and assistance to rural water districts with appropriated funds from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board. However, Mass said constituents in his and other legislator's districts from the smallest towns have complained that they still do not have water systems or properly trained, full-time operators in place.

The Rural Economic Action Plan of 1996, HB1434, which was signed into law by the governor in May, states that towns with less than 10,000 people have priority in receiving assistance from the funds.

Gene Whatley, executive director of ORWA, said that "economic feasibility" prevents many of the smallest towns from forming water districts. These towns include isolated communities with 25 to 100 families.

However, the OWRB does not have sufficient funds to provide for all the priority communities, said Duane A. Smith, assistant director of the OWRB.

Earlier this year, an audit was performed by the State Auditor and Inspector which produced questions concerning the use by the ORWA of appropriated funds received from the OWRB. The audit, which was released in September 1996, also questioned individuals in management positions with the board and association to determine if any potential conflicts of interest existed.

The OWRB has been appropriated \$139,500 each of the last two years to provide technical assistance and training to rural water districts in Oklahoma. The Legislature directed the OWRB to contract with the nonprofit ORWA to carry out these responsibilities. In turn, the ORWA created

Water Systems Management, Inc., a for-profit subsidiary, for the expressed purpose of managing water systems and providing technical assistance to water systems.

Recommendations and findings of the state audit include:

- That the ORWA consider calculating the unpaid interest accrued on the note receivable from June 1990 to present, and adding this additional liability to the note balance.

- That the appropriated funds received by ORWA through the OWRB contract were segregated. However, the duties of the ORWA employees are not segregated in order to work on specific projects. It is apparent that ORWA funds are used to subsidize the operations of Water Systems.

- No evidence was found of any board members, either from the Water Systems or the ORWA, receiving any remuneration from Water Systems.

- That the OWRB require itemized details from the ORWA to support all future billings under any contract. We (auditor) recommend that the OWRB audit the supporting documentation received from the ORWA to ensure compliance with terms of the contract.

- That the ORWA consider the need to notify the Internal Revenue Service of the changes listed related to the Assurance Group and the Rural Group.

- That the OWRB determine if there has been any violation of the provisions of this contract or of any Federal Regulations.

In response to the findings of the State Auditor & Inspector's report, ORWA recalculated funds expended by it on training and technical assistance during the respective contract periods audited by the State Auditor using the same formula it previously used with appropriate adjustments with the result that the ORWA expenditures for training and technical assistance greatly exceeded the contract amount of the OWRB contracts.

ORWA's primary reason for existence is to assist rural water systems and wastewater systems in the State. Expenditures for technical assistance and training for such systems are the major expense of ORWA.

In response to the audit, OWRB has drafted a bid specification detailing the work needed to carry out the Small Community Technical assistance and Training Program. The program will seek to train individuals in rural water districts on the mechanics of

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## INSURANCE DEPARTMENT ISSUES INFORMATION PACKET

By Shawn Ashley  
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■(GIT) An advisory letter was sent this week to approximately 65,000 Oklahomans who may possibly be affected by a federal class action lawsuit against the Prudential Insurance Company of America.

The letter, from Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner John Crawford, explains to the company's policyholders that they will soon be receiving a large informational packet from the insurance company.

The Oklahomans to whom the letter was sent were identified as having purchased whole life insurance policies from Prudential between Jan. 1, 1982, and Dec. 31, 1995. Those individuals are potential members of a federal class action lawsuit arising from alleged improper sales practices and misrepresentations by Prudential in its sales of life insurance products.

"Essentially, what we wanted to do was describe the case's origins, where it stands now and what our office is doing to protect Oklahoma policyholders' interests," said Crawford.

Prudential's packets are expected to arrive late this week and is the first step in a restitution process.

Crawford participated in a 43-state task

force which investigated the alleged sales abuses by Prudential and came up with the restitution plan of its own.

The task force, Crawford said was important for two reasons. First, it created a restitution program which is now being merged with the federal class action to provide more substantial relief to injured policy holders. Secondly, if the federal class action falls short, the state-led remediation plan will still be in place due to the efforts of the task force.

"My primary goal was to make sure that each Oklahoma policyholder would be informed, treated and compensated as quickly and fairly as possible," Crawford said. "I don't think people should have to wait years to get relief."

It is believed that there were over 10.7 million policies affected by the suit nationwide.

If the class action lawsuit is approved, Prudential will pay a minimum of \$410 million, but that number could go significantly higher, Crawford said, depending on approval of the class action and on how many claims are filed and scored. Oklahoma's share of the total is not yet known.

In July, Crawford entered an order against Prudential requiring the company to pay a \$300,000 fine directly to Oklahoma.



## IRS ANNOUNCES 1997 PENSION PLAN LIMITATIONS

From Internal Revenue Service

■(WASHINGTON) The Internal Revenue Service recently announced cost-of-living adjustments applicable to dollar limitations on benefits under qualified retirement plans and to other provisions affecting such plans.

Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code provides for dollar limitations on benefits and contributions under these plans. It also requires that the Commissioner annually adjust these limits for cost-of-living increases. Effective January 1, 1997, the limitation on the annual benefit under a defined benefit plan under section 415(b)(1)(A) is increased from \$120,000 to \$125,000. For participants who separated from service before January 1, 1997, the limitation for defined benefit plans under section 415(b)(1)(B) is computed by multiplying the participant's compensation limitation, as adjusted through 1996, by 1.0294.

The limitation for defined contribution plans under section 415(c)(1)(A) remains unchanged at \$30,000.

The Code provides that various other dollar amounts are to be adjusted at the same time and in the same manner as the dollar limitation of section 415(b)(1)(A). These dollar amounts and the adjusted amounts are as follows:

The special limitation for qualified police or firefighters under section 415(b)(2)(G) is increased from \$66,000 to \$70,000.

The limitation on the exclusion for elective deferrals under section 402(g)(1) re-

mains unchanged at \$9,500.

The dollar amount under section 409(o)(1)(C)(ii) for determining the maximum account balance in an employee stock ownership plan subject to a 5-year distribution period is increased from \$690,000 to \$710,000, while the dollar amount used to determine the lengthening of the 5-year distribution period is increased from \$135,000 to \$140,000.

The threshold amount under section 4980A(c)(1)(B) regarding excess distributions is increased from \$155,000 to \$160,000.

The limitation used in the definition of highly compensated employees under section 414(q)(1)(B), as changed by section 1431 of the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996, is \$80,000.

The annual compensation limit under sections 401(a)(17) and 404(l) is increased from \$150,000 to \$160,000.

The compensation amount under section 408(k)(2)(C) regarding simplified employee pensions (SEPs) remains unchanged at \$400. The compensation amount under section 408(k)(3)(C) for SEPs is increased from \$150,000 to \$160,000.

The compensation amount under section 408(p)(2)(A) regarding simple retirement accounts, as added by section 1421 of the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996, is \$6,000.

The limitation on deferrals under sections 457(b)(2) and (c)(1) concerning deferred compensation plans of state and local governments and tax-exempt organizations remains unchanged at \$7,500.

Administrators of defined benefit or defined contribution plans that have received favorable determination letters should not request new determination letters solely because of yearly amendments to adjust maximum limitations in the plans.

## IRS ANNOUNCES MODEL SIMPLE RETIREMENT PLAN

From Internal Revenue Service

■(WASHINGTON) The Internal Revenue Service recently announced the release of Form 5305-SIMPLE. Section 1421 of the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-188), signed into law on August 20, 1996, created the Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees of Small Employers (SIMPLE Plan) effective in 1997. SIMPLE Plans offer small employers a simplified option for providing retirement income for employees through salary reduction and matching contributions that are made to individual retirement accounts or annuities (IRAs).

Form 5305-SIMPLE provides small employers with an easy way to adopt a SIMPLE Plan by using a model plan document, notification to employees, and salary reduction agreement. For the 1997 calendar year, the model SIMPLE Plan can be made effective as early as Jan. 1 and as late as Oct. 1.

## NEW IRS DOCUMENT EXPLAINS SECTION 530 RELIEF REQUIREMENTS

From Internal Revenue Service

■(WASHINGTON) The Internal Revenue Service recently released a simple, one-page document to help businesses understand their rights under the law when the IRS questions their classification of workers as independent contractors. The new document is the latest in a series of actions the IRS has recently taken to make it easier for businesses to work with the IRS on worker classification issues.

The new explanation, Independent Contractor or Employee?, sets out the three so-called section 530 relief requirements — provisions contained in section 530 of the Revenue Act of 1978. In general, a business can be relieved of certain federal employment tax obligations if it:

- had a reasonable basis for not treating workers as employees,
- was consistent in its treatment of any similar workers as contractors, and
- consistently filed required information returns with the IRS.

IRS tax examiners will provide the new explanation of section 530 relief requirements at the beginning of any inquiry into worker classification and will answer any questions about eligibility for this relief.

Commenting on the new document, Internal Revenue Commissioner Margaret Milner Richardson said, "Not only will this new explanation help businesses by explaining in simple terms a complicated provision of the law. It will also provide the consistency of treatment in worker classification matters that the business community and the IRS have long sought. It's a significant part of our on-going efforts to improve employment tax administration for all taxpayers."

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operating and maintaining their water systems and will offer technical assistance in the engineering of water systems for small communities. Open solicitation for bids will follow.

Rep. Jack Begley, D-Goodwell; Rep. Randall Erwin, D-Nashoba; Rep. M.C. Leist, D-Morris; Rep. Elmer Maddux, R-Lawton; and Rep. Tommy Thomas, D-Atoka and representatives of the ORWA and the OWRB attended the study.

The group plans to meet again to determine if the appropriation of more funds or the creation of new legislation will be needed to help the smaller communities get their water demands met.

*Materials handed out at the meeting, including the audit and bid specification, are available from Legislative Information Network. You may e-mail, fax or call in your request.*



# UNOFFICIAL RESULTS OF 1996 GENERAL ELECTION

\*Incumbent

## CONGRESS

### U.S. SENATE

#### Democrat

474,162 Jim Boren, Tahlequah

#### Independent

15,092 Bill Maguire, Edmond

8,691 Chris Nedbalek, Oklahoma City

#### Libertarian

14,595 Agnes Marie Regier, Norman

#### Republican

✓670,610 \*Jim Inhofe, Tulsa

### U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### DISTRICT 1

##### Democrat

57,996 Randolph John Amen, Tulsa

##### Independent

8,996 Karla Condray, Tulsa

##### Republican

✓143,415 \*Steve Largent, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 2

##### Democrat

90,120 Glen D. Johnson, Okemah

##### Republican

✓112,273 \*Tom Coburn, Muskogee

#### DISTRICT 3

##### Democrat

86,647 Darryl Roberts, Ardmore

##### Independent

6,335 Scott Demaree, Glencoe

##### Republican

✓98,526 Wes Watkins, Stillwater

#### DISTRICT 4

##### Democrat

73,950 Ed Crocker, Norman

##### Libertarian

4,500 Robert T. Murphy, Norman

##### Republican

✓106,923 \*J. C. Watts, Jr., Norman

#### DISTRICT 5

##### Democrat

57,594 James L. Forsythe, Edmond

##### Independent

6,835 Ava Kennedy, Oklahoma City

##### Republican

✓148,362 \*Ernest J. Istook, Warr Acres

#### DISTRICT 6

##### Democrat

64,173 Paul M. Barby, Woodward

##### Republican

✓113,499 \*Frank Lucas, Cheyenne

## CORPORATION COMMISSION

##### Democrat

519,598 Wanda Jo Peltier, Okla. City

##### Republican

✓569,704 \*Ed Apple, Duncan

## STATE SENATE

#### DISTRICT 1

##### Democrat

✓18,991 \*Rick M. Littlefield, Grove

##### Republican

6,210 Bob McDowell, Afton

#### DISTRICT 3

##### Democrat

✓14,453 \*Herb Rozell, Tahlequah

##### Republican

9,972 Tom Gann, Ft. Gibson

#### DISTRICT 7

##### Democrat

✓14,780 \*Gene Stipe, McAlester

##### Republican

11,463 Pat Key, McAlester

#### DISTRICT 9

##### Democrat

✓17,403 \*Ben Robinson, Muskogee

##### Republican

6,705 Debra A. Lienhart, Haskell

#### DISTRICT 13

##### Democrat

✓16,275 \*Dick Wilkerson, Atwood

##### Republican

8,642 Barbara Young, Ada

#### DISTRICT 15

##### Democrat

✓16,474 \*Trish Weedn, Purcell

##### Republican

11,083 Rod Cleveland, Norman

#### DISTRICT 17

##### Democrat

✓14,691 \*Brad Henry, Shawnee

##### Republican

10,594 Jerrell Puckett, Norman

#### DISTRICT 19

##### Democrat

11,912 \*Ed Long, Enid

##### Republican

✓13,551 Robert Milacek, Waukomis

#### DISTRICT 21

##### Democrat

✓12,944 Mike Morgan, Stillwater

##### Republican

12,912 Randy Wedel, Stillwater

#### DISTRICT 23

##### Democrat

✓14,221 \*Bruce Price, Hinton

##### Republican

8,224 Lonnie John Paxton, Tuttle

#### DISTRICT 29

##### Democrat

10,424 Chuck Hoskin, Vinita

##### Republican

✓17,083 James R. Dunlap, Bartlesville

#### DISTRICT 33

##### Democrat

✓14,807 \*Penny Williams, Tulsa

##### Republican

11,573 Brian Lehman, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 35

##### Democrat

12,527 Pat Woodrum, Tulsa

##### Republican

✓17,066 James A. Williamson, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 37

##### Democrat

✓12,638 \*Lewis Long, Sapulpa

##### Republican

10,630 Tim Plinsky, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 39

##### Democrat

7,463 John Zelis, Tulsa

##### Republican

✓20,147 \*Jerry Smith, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 43

##### Democrat

✓9,941 \*Ben Brown, Oklahoma City

##### Republican

7,600 Jerry Kasprick, Del City

**DISTRICT 45**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,860 Karl Rysted, Moore

**Republican**

✓ 17,520 Kathleen Wilcoxson, Okla. City

**DISTRICT 47**

**Democrat**

9,038 Jim Sturdy, Oklahoma City

**Republican**

✓ 21,171 \*Mike Fair, Oklahoma City

**DISTRICT 49**

**Democrat**

12,388 \*Don Williams, Balko

**Republican**

✓ 13,656 Owen Laughlin, Woodward

**DISTRICT 51**

**Democrat**

8,290 Bill Brock, Broken Arrow

**Republican**

✓ 25,490 \*Charles Ford, Tulsa

**STATE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES**

**DISTRICT 2**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,213 \*J.T. Stites, Sallisaw

**Republican**

3,819 Joe F. Peters, Sallisaw

**DISTRICT 5**

**Democrat**

✓ 8,111 \*Joe Hutchison, Jay

**Republican**

5,071 Carolyn Allen, Afton

**DISTRICT 6**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,915 \*Joe Eddins, Vinita

**Republican**

6,235 Jay Franklin, Vinita

**DISTRICT 7**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,222 \*Larry Roberts, Miami

**Republican**

4,102 Kim McLain, Miami

**DISTRICT 9**

**Democrat**

✓ 8,719 \*Dwayne Steidley, Claremore

**Republican**

5,913 Bryan A. Birdsong, Claremore

**DISTRICT 10**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,937 \*Gary S. Taylor, Dewey

**Republican**

3,865 Dave Neely, Nowata

**DISTRICT 11**

**Democrat**

4,827 Don Raley, Ramona

**Republican**

✓ 10,579 Mike Wilt, Bartlesville

**DISTRICT 12**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,279 \*Jerry Hefner, Wagoner

**Republican**

5,667 Jerry Hill, Muskogee

**DISTRICT 13**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,520 \*Bill Settle, Muskogee

**Republican**

4,336 Phyllis McLemore, Muskogee

**DISTRICT 14**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,617 \*Barbara Staggs, Muskogee

**Republican**

5,211 Dan Chepkasuskas, Muskogee

**DISTRICT 15**

**Democrat**

✓ 9,423 Bobby Frame, Checotah

**Republican**

3,745 George M. Hedrick, Stigler

**DISTRICT 16**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,730 \*M.C. Leist, Morris

**Republican**

3,430 Brian Priegel, Okmulgee

**DISTRICT 17**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,868 \*Mike Mass, Hartshorne

**Republican**

3,416 Larry Boggs, Wilburton

**DISTRICT 18**

**Democrat**

✓ 8,530 \*Lloyd Fields, McAlester

**Republican**

4,436 David Attebury, McAlester

**DISTRICT 22**

**Democrat**

✓ 8,385 \*Danny Hilliard, Sulphur

**Republican**

2,270 Ron Gordon, Oklahoma City

**DISTRICT 23**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,710 \*Betty Boyd, Tulsa

**Republican**

5,569 Jon Mullican, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 24**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,671 Dale Turner, Holdenville

**Republican**

3,447 Bruce Coker, Okemah

**DISTRICT 25**

**Democrat**

✓ 8,266 \*Bob Plunk, Allen

**Republican**

3,826 Tom Bush, Ada

**DISTRICT 26**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,192 \*Robert E. Weaver, Shawnee

**Republican**

3,822 Rickey Dale Crain, Shawnee

**DISTRICT 27**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,067 \*Dale Smith, Saint Louis

**Republican**

5,401 Phil Hartoon, Tecumseh

**DISTRICT 28**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,180 \*Mike Ervin, Wewoka

**Republican**

3,507 Mark Gwartney, Seminole

**DISTRICT 29**

**Democrat**

4,878 David L. Thompson, Bristol

**Republican**

✓ 6,604 \*Todd Hiatt, Kellyville

**DISTRICT 30**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,245 \*Mike Tyler, Sapulpa

**Republican**

5,061 Pam Ballard, Sapulpa

**DISTRICT 31**

**Democrat**

3,464 C.E. Jim Hunt, Jr., Guthrie

**Republican**

✓ 9,575 \*Frank Davis, Guthrie

**DISTRICT 32**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,112 \*Don Kinnamon, Stroud

**Republican**

5,572 Don E. Sporleder, Davenport



**DISTRICT 34**

**Democrat**

5,602 Bernice Mitchell, Stillwater

**Republican**

✓ 6,961 Terry Ingmire, Stillwater

**DISTRICT 35**

**Democrat**

4,723 Peggy Lucas Prewitt, Cleveland

**Republican**

✓ 7,875 \*Larry Ferguson, Cleveland

**DISTRICT 36**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,626 \*James Hager, Pawhuska

**Republican**

2,693 John Handshy, Skiatook

**DISTRICT 37**

**Democrat**

5,196 Bernie Jackson, Ponca City

**Republican**

✓ 7,217 Jim Newport, Ponca City

**DISTRICT 39**

**Democrat**

4,886 Bill Long, Piedmont

**Republican**

✓ 9,495 \*Wayne Pettigrew, Edmond

**DISTRICT 40**

**Democrat**

3,939 Rick Lowery, Enid

**Republican**

✓ 5,143 \*Mike O'Neal, Enid

**DISTRICT 41**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,166 \*Sean Voskuhl, Marshall

**Republican**

7,155 Curt Roggow, Enid

**DISTRICT 44**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,629 \*Laura Boyd, Norman

**Republican**

4,363 Kennette Hughes, Norman

**DISTRICT 45**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,674 Wallace Collins, Norman

**Republican**

5,495 Steve Byas, Norman

**Libertarian**

405 Randy L. Boyd, Norman

**DISTRICT 46**

**Democrat**

4,866 Jamie McAloon, Norman

**Republican**

✓ 7,953 \*Doug Miller, Norman

**DISTRICT 47**

**Democrat**

4,973 Richard Allen, Chickasha

**Republican**

✓ 6,886 \*Dan Ramsey, Chickasha

**DISTRICT 48**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,731 \*Al Sadler, Ardmore

**Republican**

4,985 Greg Piatt, Ardmore

**Reform**

324 Mike Thompson, Ardmore

**DISTRICT 50**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,311 \*Jari Askins, Duncan

**Republican**

5,770 Sam Holthe, Duncan

**DISTRICT 51**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,075 Raymond G. McCarter, Marlow

**Republican**

4,027 Lonnie A. Ward, Walters

**DISTRICT 52**

**Democrat**

✓ 4,867 David B. Braddock, Altus

**Republican**

4,078 Ronald D. Osterhout, Altus

**DISTRICT 53**

**Democrat**

5,178 Mary Sue Schnell, Norman

**Republican**

✓ 9,127 \*Carolyn Coleman, Moore

**DISTRICT 54**

**Democrat**

4,235 Leigh Tucker, Moore

**Republican**

✓ 7,017 \*Joan Greenwood, Moore

**DISTRICT 56**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,577 \*Ron Langmacher, Carnegie

**Republican**

2,967 Brent Parmer, Apache

**DISTRICT 57**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,857 James Covey, Custer City

**Republican**

5,259 Rick Webb, Custer City

**DISTRICT 59**

**Democrat**

✓ 8,240 \*Clay Pope, Loyal

**Republican**

4,538 Carolyn L. McLarty, Mutual

**DISTRICT 61**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,579 \*Jack Begley, Goodwell

**Republican**

5,394 Carla Smalts, Keyes

**DISTRICT 62**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,965 \*Abe Deutschendorf, Lawton

**Republican**

3,032 Douglas F. Bayless, Lawton

**DISTRICT 63**

**Democrat**

✓ 8,198 \*Lloyd Benson, Frederick

**Republican**

2,338 Juliana Peyravy, Lawton

**DISTRICT 64**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,177 \*Ron Kirby, Lawton

**Republican**

2,755 Tab Turner, Lawton

**DISTRICT 65**

**Democrat**

✓ 3,876 \*Jim R. Glover, Elgin

**Republican**

2,915 Chris Smith, Canton

**DISTRICT 66**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,670 \*Russ Roach, Tulsa

**Republican**

5,310 Shirley Forsythe, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 68**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,329 \*Shelby Satterfield, Tulsa

**Republican**

5,262 Bradley Gaskins, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 69**

**Democrat**

3,894 Harold G. Wilmott, Jenks

**Republican**

✓ 10,457 \*Fred Perry, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 71**

**Democrat**

✓ 4,418 Harry Shivery, Tulsa

**Republican**

✓ 8,327 \*John Sullivan, Tulsa

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**Democrat**

✓ 5,114 Darrell Gilbert, Tulsa

**Republican**

2,549 Leo P. Burgard, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 74**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,308 Phil Ostrander, Collinsville

**Republican**

5,894 \*John Smaligo, Owasso

**DISTRICT 75**

**Democrat**

3,307 Rudy DeBruin, Tulsa

**Republican**

✓ 8,567 \*Mike Thornbrugh, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 77**

**Democrat**

5,267 \*Gary Stottlemire, Tulsa

**Republican**

✓ 5,391 Mark Liotta, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 78**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,312 Mary Easley, Tulsa

**Republican**

7,014 \*Flint Breckinridge, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 79**

**Democrat**

3,242 Bret A. Unterschuetz, Tulsa

**Republican**

✓ 10,576 \*Chris Hastings, Tulsa

**DISTRICT 84**

**Democrat**

4,971 Herb Bradshaw, Bethany

**Republican**

✓ 7,812 \*Bill Graves, Oklahoma City

**DISTRICT 86**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,356 \*Larry Adair, Stilwell

**Republican**

4,341 Bobby J. McAlpine, Stilwell

**DISTRICT 87**

**Democrat**

4,119 Coleen Woody, Oklahoma City

**Republican**

✓ 7,074 \*Robert Worthen, Okla. City

**DISTRICT 88**

**Democrat**

✓ 4,362 \*Debbie Blackburn, Okla. City

**Republican**

2,695 Pat Smith, Oklahoma City

**DISTRICT 92**

**Democrat**

✓ 4,509 \*Bill Paulk, Oklahoma City

**Republican**

3,858 Eddie Cox, Oklahoma City

**DISTRICT 93**

**Democrat**

✓ 4,356 Al Lindley, Oklahoma City

**Republican**

2,857 Steven J. Hammontree, Okla. City

**DISTRICT 94**

**Democrat**

✓ 6,009 \*Gary Bastin, Del City

**Republican**

4,367 Kevin Calvey, Del City

**DISTRICT 96**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,260 \*Mark Seikel, Harrah

**Republican**

5,845 Darlene Pointer, Choctaw

**DISTRICT 97**

**Democrat**

✓ 7,487 \*Kevin Cox, Oklahoma City

**Republican**

3,325 Nan Miller, Oklahoma City

**DISTRICT 98**

**Democrat**

5,051 Jack Perry, Yukon

**Republican**

✓ 7,878 \*Tim Pope, Mustang

**DISTRICT 99**

**Democrat**

✓ 5,850 \*Opio Toure, Oklahoma City

**Republican**

2,175 Denise Engle, Oklahoma City

**DISTRICT 101**

**Democrat**

4,621 J. Alex Greenwood, Midwest City

**Republican**

✓ 5,366 \*Forrest Claunch, Midwest City



## LEGISLATORS WITHOUT OPPOSITION OR ELECTED IN THE PRIMARY OR RUNOFF ELECTION

### STATE SENATE

#### DISTRICT 5

##### Democrat

- ✓ Jeff Rabon, Hugo

#### DISTRICT 11

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Maxine Horner, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 31

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Sam Helton, Lawton

#### DISTRICT 41

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Mark Snyder, Edmond

### STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### DISTRICT 1

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Terry Matlock, Garvin

#### DISTRICT 3

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*James Hamilton, Heavener

#### DISTRICT 4

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Bob Ed Culver, Tahlequah

#### DISTRICT 8

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Larry Rice, Pryor

#### DISTRICT 19

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Randall Erwin, Nashoba

#### DISTRICT 20

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Tommy Thomas, Atoka

#### DISTRICT 21

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*James Dunegan, Calera

#### DISTRICT 33

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Dale Wells, Cushing

#### DISTRICT 38

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Jim Reese, Nardin

#### DISTRICT 42

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Bill Mitchell, Lindsay

#### DISTRICT 43

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Tony Kouba, Yukon

#### DISTRICT 49

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Fred Stanley, Madill

#### DISTRICT 55

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Jack Bonny, Burns Flat

#### DISTRICT 58

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Elmer Maddux, Mooreland

#### DISTRICT 60

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Randy L. Beutler, Elk City

#### DISTRICT 67

##### Republican

- ✓ Hopper Smith, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 70

##### Republican

- ✓ \*John Bryant, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 73

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Don Ross, Tulsa

#### DISTRICT 76

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Don Weese, Broken Arrow

#### DISTRICT 80

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Scott Adkins, Broken Arrow

#### DISTRICT 81

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Ray Vaughn, Edmond

#### DISTRICT 82

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Leonard E. Sullivan, Oklahoma City

#### DISTRICT 83

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Fred Morgan, Oklahoma City

#### DISTRICT 85

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Odilia Dank, Oklahoma City

#### DISTRICT 89

##### Democrat

- ✓ \*Charles Gray, Oklahoma City

#### DISTRICT 90

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Charles Key, Oklahoma City

#### DISTRICT 91

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Dan Webb, Oklahoma City

#### DISTRICT 95

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Bill Case, Midwest City

#### DISTRICT 100

##### Republican

- ✓ \*Richard Phillips, Warr Acres



## UNOFFICIAL RESULTS OF VOTE ON STATE QUESTIONS

### STATE QUESTION NO. 670

Legislative Referendum Number 302

This measure amends Section 18 of Article 2 of the State Constitution. It changes the procedure for calculating the number of persons who must sign a petition to call for a grand jury. It increases the minimum and maximum number required. It directs the Legislature to enact laws to prevent abuse.

✓ Yes 747,003 No 353,518

### STATE QUESTION NO. 671

Legislative Referendum Number 303

This measure amends Section 26 of Article 10 of the Oklahoma Constitution. It would let school districts make contracts with school superintendents for more than one year, but not to exceed three years.

✓ Yes 733,014 No 375,343

### UNOFFICIAL RESULTS OF JUDICIAL ELECTION

#### JUSTICES OF THE OKLAHOMA SUPREME COURT

Dist. 1 Robert E. Lavender

Y 617,147 N 364,839

Dist. 6 Robert D. Simms

Y 617,311 N 357,113

Dist. 9 Joseph M. Watt

Y 608,022 N 364,013

#### JUDGES OF THE OKLAHOMA COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

Dist. 2 Charles A. Johnson

Y 612,896 N 362,675

Dist. 3 Gary L. Lumpkin

Y 587,726 N 375,924

#### JUDGES OF THE OKLAHOMA COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

Dist. 1, Office 1 Jerry L. Goodman

Y 618,155 N 351,436

Dist. 1, Office 2 Daniel J. Boudreau

Y 595,234 N 367,826

Dist. 2, Office 1 John F. Reif

Y 584,922 N 376,364

Dist. 2, Office 2 Keith Rapp

Y 553,923 N 410,632

Dist. 4, Office 2 Larry E. Joplin

Y 604,785 N 358,415

### STATE QUESTIONS NO. 674

Legislative Referendum Number 304

This measure adds a new section to the State Constitution. The measure deals with the rights of victims of crime. The measure seeks to protect victims' rights that exist under court decisions. It also seeks to insure that victims are treated with respect and dignity in the criminal justice process.

To achieve these goals, crime victims and their families would have certain rights, including the following:

1. The right to know the status of the prosecution and investigation.

2. The right to know the location of the defendant from arrest through the serving of a sentence.

3. The right to be present at proceedings where the defendant has a right to be present.

4. The right to be informed when a defendant escapes or is released.

5. The right to be heard at sentencing and parole hearings.

The exact nature of these and other rights and the procedures giving them effect would be set up by the Legislature or by the people through initiative or referendum. The Legislature or the people would also prescribe those responsible for following the established procedures.

Either the Legislature or the people could extend any victims' rights to youthful offender proceedings.

✓ Yes 1,024,786 No 99,642

### STATE QUESTION NO. 675

Legislative Referendum Number 305

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends Section 8 of Article 10. It changes the way property is assessed for tax purposes. It would modify the percentage used to assess property. This measure would limit the percentage of fair cash value at which property may be assessed. The percentage for land would not be more than 13.5% nor less than 11%. The percentage for personal property would not be more than 15% nor less than 10%. The people may vote to increase the percentage. These limits would apply only to locally assessed property. These limits would not apply to all property. Property assessed by the State Board of Equalization would use a different percentage. The percentage used by the State Board to make assessments would be the percentage used on January 1, 1996.

✓ Yes 785,606 No 313,572

### STATE QUESTION NO. 676

Legislative Referendum Number 306

This measure amends Article 10 of the Oklahoma Constitution. It adds a new section 8B. This measure would limit the fair cash value of real property for property tax purposes. The fair cash value would not increase by more than 5% in any taxable year. This limit would only apply to real property which is assessed by a county assessor. If the property is transferred, changed, or conveyed, the limitation would not apply for that year. The limitation does not apply if improvements have been made to the property. If improvements have been made to the property, the increased value to the property will be assessed for that year. Any county which is not in compliance with laws or regulations governing valuation of property would not be allowed to apply the 5% limitation. This measure does not apply to personal property. This measure does not apply to property valued or assessed by the State Board of Equalization. The legislature would be allowed to enact laws to implement this section. This measure would take effect on January 1, 1997.

✓ Yes 807,215 No 289,963

### STATE QUESTION NO. 677

Legislative Referendum Number 307

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. This measure would add a new section to Article 10 to be designated section 8C. It would limit the fair cash value on a homestead for property tax purposes. The homestead must be owned by a person who is 65 years of age or older, with a gross household income of \$25,000.00 or less. The fair cash value would not exceed the value of the homestead the first year the individual reached the age of 65 years and had a gross household income of \$25,000 or less. Improvements to the property would be added to the assessed value of the property. This measure would be come effective on January 1, 1997. If the individual ceases to own and occupy the property, the fair cash value would be assessed as all other real property. If the gross household income exceeds \$25,000.00, the fair cash value will be determined as all other real property according to law.

✓ Yes 804,356 No 290,086



# Calendar of Meetings & Events

**Monday, December 2, 1996**

**10:00**                      **State Board of Equalization**  
State Capitol, Governor's Conference Room

**11:00**                      **Oklahoma Transportation Commission**  
200 NE 21 St., Commission Room, 1st Floor, Oklahoma City

**Tuesday, December 3, 1996**

**9:30**                      **Oklahoma Commission for Human Services**  
Room 214, Sequoyah Office Bldg., Oklahoma City

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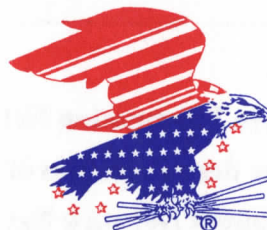




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