

OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE

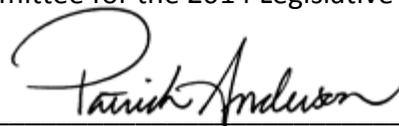
# Report on the Select Agencies Subcommittee

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This report details the activities and findings of the subcommittee for the 2014 Legislative Session.  
Included is one appendix.



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Senator Patrick Anderson, Chair

## **Membership**

The agencies assigned to the subcommittee were the same agencies that had been assigned during the 2013 legislative session. The Senators assigned to the subcommittee also remained the same:

- Senator Patrick Anderson, Chair
- Senator David Holt, Vice-Chair
- Senator Bill Brown
- Senator Harry Coates
- Senator Nathan Dahm
- Senator Tom Ivester
- Senator Charles Wyrick

## **Meetings**

The Chair of the Subcommittee decided to lead the work of the subcommittee in a new direction. The Subcommittee met twice this session in order for issues to be presented that were not being addressed by other committees. The first meeting of the subcommittee was on February 5<sup>th</sup> with a presentation of a report titled, "Oklahoma A-F -- Hiding Poor Achievement". This report was produced by the staff of The Oklahoma Center for Education Policy (University of Oklahoma) and The Center for Educational Research and Evaluation (Oklahoma State University). The contributing authors of the report include Curt Adams, Ellen Dollarhide, Patrick Forsyth, Ryan Miskell, Jordan Ware, Laura Barnes, Jam Khojasteh, and Mwarumba Mwavita.

The second meeting was on February 12<sup>th</sup> with presentations from multiple perspectives about Cannabinoid Extracts in Modern Medicine. Mr. Seth Stambaugh addressed drug laws for patients; Mr. Marty Piel and Mrs. Virginia Spencer represented families of epileptic children affected by access to cannabinoid extracts; Mr. Josh Stanly presented first-hand experience with medicinal cannabis extracts and treating epilepsy; and finally Dr. Mark Rosenfeld shared scientific research of cannabis and the EndoCannabinoid System.

Both meetings of the subcommittee meetings garnered much attention and high attendance.

## **Agency Report**

Some of the agencies assigned to the Subcommittee went through the sunset review process this session and therefore were brought before the General Government Committee of the Senate. Those agencies were the Oklahoma Accountancy Board (HB 3190), State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (HB 3191), Oklahoma Funeral Board (HB 3199), State Board of Licensed Social Workers (HB 3200), State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (HB 3201), and the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects, and Registered Interior Designers (HB 3203).

Many of the agencies have a new director since their review from the 2013 session:

- Oklahoma Funeral Board – Mr. Chris Ferguson
- Industrial Finance Authority – Mr. Steve Blake
- Oklahoma Real Estate Commission – Ms. Charla Slabotsky
- Oklahoma Board of Examiners for Speech Pathology and Audiology – Ms. Amy Hall

Here is a list of other actions by various agencies assigned to the subcommittee:

- Due to HB 1467 from the 2013 session, the Cosmetology Board began regulating the barber industry.
- The Board of Dentistry and the Veterinary Medical Examiners Board moved into the new building built by the Pharmacy Board.
- The Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency will be operating a new program based on the Oklahoma Affordable Housing act (SB 2128).
- The Oklahoma Board of Nursing and the Wildlife Conservation Commission may be affected by SB 2131 which deals with employee pay increase for law enforcement and Pinnacle Plan related employees.
- The Long-Term Care Administrators Board, the Optometry Board, and Veterinary Medical Examiners Board have begun using online renewals.
- The Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority began building a natural gas plant.
- The Turnpike Authority has entered into an agreement for PikePass to work in Kansas and north Texas.

Appendix A of this report shows how much certain agencies of the subcommittee have paid into the state's General Revenue fund for the 2012 and 2013 fiscal year, along with an estimate of what will be paid into the fund by the end of the 2014 fiscal year.

### **Future Actions or Recommendations**

Since multiple studies and/or audits of director and employee compensation for state agencies have now been completed, a review of any action by the agencies in response to those reports would be very informative. The Motor Vehicle Commission and the Student Loan Authority changed the salary for their directors and it would be appropriate to review what other actions may have occurred.

**Appendix A**

<b>Agencies</b>	<b><u>Amount paid to GR in FY'12</u></b>	<b><u>Amount paid to GR in FY'13</u></b>	<b><u>Estimate paid to GR in FY'14</u></b>
Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for Long Term Care Administrators	\$27,663	\$30,012	\$39,645
Oklahoma Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, & Registered Interior Designers	\$53,665	\$78,143	\$54,070
Oklahoma Board of Chiropractic Examiners	\$20,801	\$23,684	\$23,338
Oklahoma Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology	\$17,310	\$20,845	\$23,000
Oklahoma Board of Examiners in Optometry	\$33,235	\$28,797	\$30,000
Oklahoma Board of Nursing	\$326,564	\$313,180	\$349,423
Oklahoma Board of Osteopathic Examiners	\$70,565	\$53,736	\$75,000
Oklahoma Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners	\$51,660	\$50,316	\$55,000
Oklahoma Department of Securities	\$15,006,510	\$15,281,434	\$16,000,000
Oklahoma Funeral Board	\$34,096	\$33,147	\$31,582
Oklahoma Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board (LPGAS)	\$76,899	\$80,288	\$80,000
Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission (OMVC)	\$51,822	\$53,683	\$90,000
Oklahoma Peanut Commission	\$0	\$0	\$0
Oklahoma Real Estate Commission (OREC)	\$97,751	\$99,341	\$105,024
Oklahoma State Banking Department	\$644,231	\$638,465	\$658,489
Oklahoma State Board of Cosmetology	\$120,343	\$120,988	\$128,000
Oklahoma State Board of Dentistry	Not reported	\$110,000	N/A
Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists	\$20,000	\$29,870	\$29,000
Oklahoma State Board of Licensed Social Workers	\$22,172	\$23,707	\$24,798
Oklahoma State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors	\$134,012	\$156,254	\$150,000
Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy	\$163,253	\$170,571	\$169,584
Oklahoma State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners	\$1,185	\$1,427	\$1,500
Oklahoma Accountancy Board (OAB)	\$111,263	\$105,953	\$121,000
State Board of Registration for Foresters	\$0	N/A	N/A
Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission	\$76,035	\$74,992	\$74,900
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,161,034</b>	<b>\$17,578,832</b>	<b>\$18,313,353</b>