

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 1070</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>SAHB</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Rep. Pae/ Sen. Sharp</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>5/1/2019</b>
<b>Impact:</b>	<b>State Election Board: potential savings</b>

**Research Analysis**

The Senate Amendment to HB 1070 requires the Governor to issue a Writ of Election upon a vacancy occurring in an Oklahoma congressional seat, unless the vacancy occurs in a United States Senate seat in an even-numbered year and the term of office expires the following year. If the vacancy occurs in a House seat in an even-numbered year, the Regular Primary Election, Runoff Primary Election or General Election for that office will be deemed to also serve as the Special Election.

Prepared By: Marcia Johnson

**Fiscal Analysis**

Officials from the State Election Board anticipate no negative fiscal impact as a result of the provisions of HB 1070 in its current form. The measure allows for certain elections to fill vacancies to occur concurrently with General Elections; which would allow the avoidance of Special Election costs related to the vacancy. The State Election Board estimates a savings between \$350,000 – 400,000 for each occurrence of avoided Special Election costs.

Prepared By: John McPhetridge

**Other Considerations**

None.