

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

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| <b>Bill No.:</b>       | <b>HB2482</b>                 |
| <b>Version:</b>        | <b>Committee Substitute</b>   |
| <b>Request Number:</b> |                               |
| <b>Author:</b>         | <b>Speaker McCall</b>         |
| <b>Date:</b>           | <b>3/4/2019</b>               |
| <b>Impact:</b>         | <b>ODOT Savings: \$44,575</b> |

**Research Analysis**

HB 2482, as introduced, changes the appointment criteria for members of the State Transportation Commission. The commission would be made up of a member from each of eight districts in the state, plus an at-large member. The Governor would be authorized to appoint members from four of the districts as well as the at-large member. The Speaker of the House and President Pro Tempore of the Senate would each be authorized to appoint two members. Each member would serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority. The measure places the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) on the Commission as an ex officio member, replacing the Governor.

The bill further changes appointment criteria for the Director of ODOT, making the position an appointment of the Governor and serving at the pleasure of the Governor.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 2482 in its current form adds an additional member to the State Transportation Commission. The measure modifies the appointing authority for the Commissioners, eliminates the existing \$4,800 annual salary for the 8 existing Commissioners, and eliminates travel reimbursement for Commissioners. These changes will result in an annual savings to the Department of Transportation (ODOT) as follows:

- Salary - \$38,400 per year, (8 Commissioners \* \$4,800), and
  - Travel Reimbursement - \$6,175 (based on FY-18 actual costs), for
- TOTAL SAVINGS - \$44,575

The measure also modifies the appointing authority for the ODOT Director, as well as, the process by which the Director's salary is to be fixed. The measure does not directly establish the salary of the Director. It is unknown whether the new process will result in increases or decreases in the Director's salary for future years.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

