

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB2174
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Impact:	See Analysis Below

Research Analysis

The Proposed Committee Substitute for HB 2330 creates the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Development Act of 2021. The measure establishes the Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission as the clearing house for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) in the state, and as the designated agency for promotion, enhancement and development of UAS. In operation of the clearinghouse, the commission would cooperate, assist, and coordinate with the federal government, state agencies, tribal entities, municipalities and other persons in development of UAS throughout the state.

The measure requires the clearinghouse to conduct research on similar efforts in other states, and to organize and coordinate the application for any UAS test site, integration opportunity, pilot program, or grant funding on behalf of the state. The clearinghouse would also maintain registries of UAS in operation and educational institutions offering UAS training programs.

Finally, the bill establishes definition for certain terms related to UAS and clarifies existing definitions.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2174 in its current form creates the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Development Act of 2021 and tasks the Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission with certain related duties. The Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission is a non-appropriated state agency; therefor, any additional cost related to the provisions of HB 2174 are expected to be absorbed within the Commission's existing budgetary resources.

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Other Considerations

None.