

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2352

By: Dempsey of the House

and

Garvin of the Senate

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11 An Act relating to transportation; creating the
12 Oklahoma Rural Highway Improvements for Safety Act;
13 providing for certain objectives for certain rural
14 highway safety improvements; providing for
15 codification; and providing an effective date.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1914 of Title 69, unless there
19 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Rural
21 Highway Improvements for Safety Act".

22 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1914.1 of Title 69, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. Effective on November 1, 2023, the Oklahoma Department of
2 Transportation shall implement a plan to add a minimum of two
3 hundred fifty (250) center-line miles of upgrades for rural two-lane
4 highways with deficient shoulders to the eight-year Construction
5 Work Plan (CWP) each year.

6 B. The new projects referenced in subsection A of this section
7 shall be spread across all transportation districts and selected
8 based on the factors of historic fatality rates, traffic counts, and
9 connectivity of rural communities. Areas experiencing traffic
10 growth pattern over the past five (5) years shall have priority.

11 C. This act shall remain in effect until October 31, 2032.

12 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT, dated
15 02/20/2023 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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