BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The committee substitute for SB 1456 directs the Court of Civil Appeals to establish the Court of Existing Claims (CEC) division to replace the three-judge panel of the Workers' Compensation Court of Existing Claims. The CEC has jurisdiction over all workers' compensation claims filed before February 1, 2014. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court must appoint one judge from a list of retired judges on a rotational basis to serve as the CEC trial judge. All judicial functions of the CEC remain under the Supreme Court's authority. The CEC must contract with the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Commission to provide support services and personnel needs.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure directs the Court of Civil Appeals to establish a division referred to as the Court of Existing Claims (CEC) Division of the Court of Civil Appeals. In its current form, SB1456 is not anticipated to have an impact on state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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