

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 462
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Request Number:	8076
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to engrossed version of SB 462 requires all current municipal judges to complete a certification program approved by the Oklahoma Municipal Judges Association by July 1, 2025. Municipal judges appointed after July 1, 2025 will have one year to complete the certification program. If a municipal judge fails to complete their certification, the maximum fine a municipal court can impose on all traffic and criminal cases is \$50. Municipal judges must file their Oklahoma Municipal Judge certifications with the county clerk and municipal court clerk.

Additionally, the measure prohibits appointing persons who are not a licensed attorney as a municipal judge beginning July 1, 2025. Non-attorney judges who were appointed prior to July 1, 2025 can continue to be reappointed. The measure also allows municipal judges in cities with a population of more than 200,000 people to engage in the practice of law in any other court during their tenure.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.