

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB1324 _____
Of the printed Bill
Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Adopted: _____

Amendment submitted by: Gabe Woolley _____

Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 PROPOSED POLICY
4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1324

By: Woolley

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8 PROPOSED POLICY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to turnpikes; amending 69 O.S. 2021,
10 Section 1711, which relates to tolls; removing
11 authority to revise toll rates; requiring legislative
12 approval for toll modifications; stating process of
13 approval or disapproval for toll modifications;
14 providing for codification; and providing an
15 effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2021, Section 1711, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 1711. The Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, subject to the
20 provisions hereof, and to Section 2 of this act, is hereby
21 authorized to ~~fix, revise,~~ charge and collect tolls for the use of
22 each turnpike project and the different parts or sections thereof,
23 except for use by law enforcement officers responsible for enforcing
24 the traffic laws and the general laws of the state and federal
governments on turnpikes, who shall be entitled to free use of every

1 such project in the performance of official duties connected with
2 such turnpike project, and to contract with any person, partnership,
3 association or corporation desiring the use of any part thereof,
4 including the right-of-way adjoining the paved portion, for placing
5 thereon telephone, telegraph, electric light or power lines, gas
6 stations, garages, stores, hotels, restaurants and advertising
7 signs, or for any other purpose except for tracks for railroad or
8 railway use, and to fix the terms, conditions, rents and rates of
9 charges for such use. Such tolls, subject to the other restrictions
10 hereof, shall be so fixed and adjusted ~~in respect of the aggregate~~
11 ~~of tolls from the turnpike project or projects in connection with~~
12 ~~which the bonds of any issue shall have been issued~~ pursuant to
13 Section 2 of this act as to provide a fund sufficient with other
14 revenues, if any, to pay (a) the cost of maintaining, repairing, and
15 operating such turnpike project or projects, and (b) the principal
16 of and the interest of such bonds as the same shall become due and
17 payable, and to create reserves for such purposes. The tolls and
18 all other revenues derived from the turnpike project or projects in
19 connection with which the bonds of any issue shall have been issued,
20 except such part thereof as may be necessary to pay such cost of
21 maintenance, repair, and operation and to provide such reserves
22 therefor as may be provided for in the resolution authorizing the
23 issuance of such bonds or in the trust agreement securing the same
24 shall be set aside at such regular intervals as may be provided in

1 such resolution or such trust agreement in a sinking fund which is
2 hereby pledged to, and charged with, the payment of (a) the interest
3 upon such bonds as such interest shall fall due, (b) the principal
4 of such bonds as the same shall fall due, (c) the necessary charges
5 of paying agents for paying principal and interest, and (d) the
6 redemption price or the purchase price of bonds retired by call or
7 purchase as therein provided, which are a charge against such fund.
8 The use and disposition of monies to the credit of such sinking fund
9 shall be subject to the provisions of the resolution authorizing the
10 issuance of such bonds or of such trust agreement. Except as may
11 otherwise be provided in such resolution or such trust agreement,
12 such sinking fund shall be a fund for all such bonds without
13 distinction or priority of one over another. The monies in the
14 sinking fund, less such reserve as may be provided in such
15 resolution or trust agreement, if not used within a reasonable time
16 for the purchase of bonds for cancellation as above provided, shall
17 be applied to the redemption of bonds at the redemption price then
18 applicable. Any person who leases, rents, or acquires control of
19 any gas station, garage, store, hotel, or restaurant must have been
20 a resident of, or been doing business in, Oklahoma for the past five
21 (5) years. Notwithstanding anything else herein contained to the
22 contrary, the Corporation Commission of the State of Oklahoma shall
23 exercise the jurisdiction now or hereafter vested in it to regulate
24 and control the operation of motor carriers of passengers and

1 freight, using or desiring to use any turnpike project, in the
2 manner and to the extent that it regulates or controls such carriers
3 using the highways of the state. The Authority shall not
4 discriminate against any group or class or individual member thereof
5 in fixing the amount of toll, rents, or charge for the use of the
6 turnpike project.

7 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1711.1 of Title 69, unless there
9 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 The Oklahoma Turnpike Authority shall be required to obtain
11 legislative approval before increasing, decreasing, or making any
12 financial adjustments to toll rates on turnpikes in this state. The
13 Legislature shall provide such approval by joint resolution.

14 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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