

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1411

6 By: Grego

7 SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

8 An Act relating to the True Grit Trail; directing the
9 Department of Transportation to erect signage in
10 certain locations; requiring the Department of
11 Transportation to collaborate with the Oklahoma
12 Tourism and Recreation Department to maintain certain
13 online resources for the True Grit Trail; providing
14 source of funding; providing for codification; and
15 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 4101 of Title 69, unless there
19 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall erect
21 signage designating the following roads as the True Grit Trail:
22 beginning at U.S. Highway 64 at the Oklahoma-Arkansas state line to
23 U.S. Highway 59; from U.S. Highway 59 to U.S. Highway 271; from U.S.
24 Highway 271 to the town of Spiro; from Spiro back to U.S. Highway
59; from U.S. Highway 59 to State Highway 31; from State Highway 31

1 to U.S. Highway 270; from U.S. Highway 270 to Main Street in
2 McAlester; from Main Street to East Krebs Avenue; from East Krebs
3 Avenue and Main Street back to U.S. Highway 270; from U.S. Highway
4 270 to State Highway 2; from State Highway 2 to Robbers Cave State
5 Park; from Robbers Cave State Park on State Highway 2 to U.S.
6 Highway 270; from U.S. Highway 270 to State Highway 82; from State
7 Highway 82 to U.S. Highway 271; from U.S. Highway 271 to State
8 Highway 1; and from State Highway 1 and ending at the intersection
9 of State Highway 1 and U.S. Highway 259.

10 B. The Department of Transportation shall erect informational
11 highway signage designed or approved by the Oklahoma Tourism and
12 Recreation Department to direct visitors to sites of significant
13 interest along the True Grit Trail, including:

- 14 1. The city of Sallisaw;
- 15 2. The town of Spiro;
- 16 3. The town of Bokoshe;
- 17 4. The town of McCurtain;
- 18 5. The town of Kinta;
- 19 6. The town of Quinton;
- 20 7. The city of Krebs;
- 21 8. The city of McAlester;
- 22 9. The city of Hartshorne;
- 23 10. The city of Wilburton;
- 24 11. Robbers Cave State Park;

1 12. The town of Red Oak;

2 13. The town of Bengal;

3 14. The town of Talihina; and

4 15. The Talimena National Scenic Byway.

5 C. The Department of Transportation shall collaborate with the
6 Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department to maintain online
7 resources for the True Grit Trail, including, but not limited to:

8 1. A map of the True Grit Trail;

9 2. Information about each site of significant interest
10 identified in this act; and

11 3. Historical context regarding the True Grit Trail.

12 D. The cost associated with signage required by this act shall
13 be funded from private sources and may include the cost of the
14 initial erection of signs as well as the cost of potential
15 replacement or reconstruction of signs. Upon receiving adequate
16 funding, the Department of Transportation shall cause suitable
17 permanent markers to be placed as required by this act.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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