

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 1448
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Research Analysis

HB1448, as introduced, requires all campaign or election materials sent by mail to voters, excluding official government documents from county election boards, the State Election Board, or state subdivisions, to include a disclaimer. The disclaimer must state, in at least 14-point font: "This piece of mail is not an official government document from the State of Oklahoma or any subdivision of this state."

The measure further establishes that the definition of campaign or election material includes any mail that encourages absentee ballot applications or reminding voters of election dates.

Failure to include the disclaimer will result in a \$100 fine per mailer campaign (defined as a unique mailer sent to multiple addresses, not individual pieces). On a third offense, the fine increases to \$300 per mailer campaign.

The Oklahoma Ethics Commission is responsible for enforcing this law and is tasked with promulgating the rules to implement its provisions.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1448 requires certain disclaimers on certain campaign or election material. The measure also provides fees for each mailer campaign violation. Such fees are not anticipated to generate significant revenue. A precise administrative cost is currently unknown, but the Oklahoma Ethics Commission is anticipated to require additional staff for implementation of the measure.

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Other Considerations

None.