

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1865
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

HB1865, as introduced, outlines provisions related to ballot printing, polling place operations, and the prohibition of vote centers for elections conducted by county election boards in Oklahoma.

Key Provisions include:

- Ballots for each election day precinct must be printed in advance of the election date.
- The Secretary of the State Election Board may authorize additional ballot printing on election day in case of a ballot shortage or an emergency, as defined in Section 22-101 of Title 26.
- Printing or marking ballots for individuals with blindness, disabilities, or an inability to read or write remains authorized and unaffected.
- Polling places must open at 7:00 a.m. and remain open continuously until 7:00 p.m. during all elections, including Primary, Runoff Primary, General Elections, and other county-conducted elections.
- Registered voters must cast their votes at their assigned precinct polling place on election day.
- Neither the State Election Board nor any county election board is allowed to use vote centers on election day. A "vote center" is defined as a location where voters from any precinct within the jurisdiction can vote on election day, regardless of precinct assignment.
- An exception may be granted by the Secretary of the State Election Board during emergencies, limited to precincts affected by the emergency.

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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.

