

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 60th Legislature

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| Bill No.: | HJR1024 |
| Version: | CS |
| Request Number: | 13194 |
| Author: | Rep. Moore |
| Date: | 3/10/2025 |
| Impact: | \$0 |

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HJR 1024 refers to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Section 3 of Article VII-B of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma modifying the appointment process for the Judicial Nominating Commission. If approved by the voters, the measure requires the six members appointed by the Governor to serve a term of six years and that at least one be from each congressional district as they exist as of the date of appointment. The three at large members are to serve 2 year terms. If approved by the voters, the six members of the Bar Association are to serve six year terms. If approved, the measure would remove restrictions related to the three at-large members relating to being a lawyer or having an immediate family member who is a lawyer. If approved, the measure would remove restrictions relating to the number of selections belonging to one political party. The measure limits commissioners from serving more than 12 years. The modifications, if approved are to apply to any position of the Judicial nominating Commission that ends by expiration of the term of office or by vacancy.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS to HJR1024 would refer to the people a vote related to term limits for certain members of the Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC). The funds necessary to administer these positions or to set forth such a vote to the citizens of Oklahoma already exists within the budgetary resources of the entities involved, and passage of this measure would simply mandate term limits for such members of the JNC. Therefore, in its current form, this measure is not anticipated to have a material impact on state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.