BILL SUMMARY

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.: HJR1053
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Request Number: 10341
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HJR 1053 would submit to the vote of the people a proposed amendment to Article VI, Section 10 of the Oklahoma Constitution. The proposed amendment would provide that in cases where the applicant has received a sentence of death, a recommendation by the Pardon and Parole Board for clemency that results in a tie vote shall not constitute a denial of the recommendation. The amendment proposes making alternate Board members available to break a tie vote. Three alternate Board members are to be appointed by the Governor, two members appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and two members appointed by the Presiding Judge of the Criminal Court of Appeals. The alternate member is to represent the same appointing authority as that of the Board member who is absent or has recused from voting, must meet the same appointment qualifications and criteria as regularly appointed Board members, and is to have not less than 180 days to review the investigation and application for clemency.

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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.

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