

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL 534

By: Bergstrom of the Senate

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10 An Act relating to state highways; authorizing the  
11 Oklahoma Department of Transportation to make  
12 additions to state highway systems in certain  
13 circumstances; providing circumstances required for  
14 adding highway miles; 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 508 of Title 69, unless there is  
19 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 The Department of Transportation shall have the authority to  
21 make additions to the state highway system without a corresponding  
22 removal of mileage in the following circumstances:

- 23 1. The addition of highway miles will improve public safety;
- 24 2. There are local, private or other non-state resources  
contributed toward the capital costs of the addition;

1 3. Prior to the addition of highway miles, the performance  
2 metrics of the regional highway system, developed pursuant to  
3 Section 45.3 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes, are determined by  
4 the Department of Transportation to be adequate in the strategic  
5 goal areas of:

- 6 a. achieving and sustaining less than one percent (1%)  
7 structurally deficient bridges,
- 8 b. increasing the percentage of highway lane miles in  
9 good condition,
- 10 c. decreasing the miles of rural two lane roads with  
11 deficient shoulders, as defined in Section 241 of  
12 Title 69 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and
- 13 d. decreasing traffic fatalities;

14 4. The addition of highway miles can be shown to have a  
15 positive local or regional economic impact;

16 5. The Department determines that the resources required for  
17 long term operation and maintenance exist; and

18 6. The addition of highway miles is determined to be for the  
19 benefit of the general public.

20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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