

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 23, 2021

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 534

By: Bergstrom of the Senate

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9 An Act relating to state highways; authorizing the
10 Oklahoma Department of Transportation to make
11 additions to state highway systems in certain
12 circumstances; providing circumstances required for
13 adding highway miles; providing for codification; and
14 providing an effective date.

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 508 of Title 69, unless there is
18 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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

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

21 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
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