

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE

RESOLUTION HR1048:

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AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution recognizing the impact of injuries on Oklahomans; urging the State Department of Health to convene a work group to implement certain plan; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, injuries are the leading killer of Oklahoma's children and young adults from 1 to 44 years of age; and

WHEREAS, injuries are the third leading cause of death in Oklahoma, following heart disease and cancer; and

WHEREAS, the costs of hospitalization, lost work and productivity, lives lost, and disabilities due to injuries total \$2.6 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma's death rates due to traffic injuries, drownings, fire/burns, and suicide are higher than national rates; and

WHEREAS, a coalition of interested parties contributed to a plan to reduce injuries and improve the health of Oklahomans known as "Injury Free Oklahoma, Strategic Plan for Injury and Violence Prevention".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 49TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives calls upon the State Department of Health to convene a work group, consisting of the University of Oklahoma College of Public Health, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the Department of Human Services, the State Department of Education, and representatives

from the private sector, to implement recommendations outlined in the strategic plan.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the Commissioners of the State Department of Health and the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the Dean of the Oklahoma University College of Public Health, the Director of the Department of Human Services, and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

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