

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 2846
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Impact:	\$0 State Cost; Local Governments - \$0 Cost to Form a Regional Transportation Authority

Bill Summary

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The Subcommittee Recommendation for House Bill 2846 authorizes the agencies of cities, towns and counties to create a transportation authority via resolution for the purpose of planning, financing, construction, maintenance and operation of transportation-related projects located within the boundaries of such political subdivisions. In addition, the measure removes all references to regional economic development and regional economic development authorities.

The Subcommittee Recommendation also provides definitions relating to the use of the words operation, transportation system and user fees. Operation is defined as including but not limited to the leasing of services, contracting for services, planning, financing, construction and maintenance of a transportation-related project regardless of the source of funding. A transportation system is defined as a public carrier including but not limited to transit, commuter and passenger rail. In addition, user fees are defined as farebox revenues. The Subcommittee Recommendation also prohibits the continuation of a transportation authority following one year after cessation of operations.

Fiscal Summary

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The Subcommittee Recommendations for HB 2846 relates to regional transportation authorities. The measure authorizes any combination of Oklahoma towns, cities and counties that wish to join together in a transportation authority for the implementation and operation of an inter-jurisdictional transportation system. A transportation system is defined as a public carrier which may include transit, commuter and passenger rail system.

Fiscal Analysis

In its present form the Subcommittee Recommendations for HB 2846 has no impact on state revenues or resources.

There is no cost to any town, city or county that forms a regional transportation authority until such time as the cooperative entity agrees to finance, plan, construct and operate a regional transportation system.

Long Term Fiscal Considerations

It is anticipated that a regional transportation authority will provide the framework for private and general economic development

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