

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill Summary

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The Conference Committee Substitute (CCS) for HJR1056 proposes a constitutional amendment to be sent to a vote of the people, amending Article 7, relating to the Judicial Department, modifying references to the Workers' Compensation Court and requiring the state's courts to adhere to the U.S. Constitution, the Oklahoma Constitution, U.S. Code and federal regulations, established common law, and Oklahoma Statutes and administrative rules in making judicial decisions. The CCS also allows state courts, if necessary, to uphold and adhere to other states' laws in making judicial decisions, provided such laws do not include Sharia Law.

The proposed constitutional amendment prohibits consideration of the legal precepts of other nations or cultures, specifically international law or Sharia Law, when deciding cases.

Fiscal Summary

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The conference committee substitute for HJR 1056 is a proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article VII of the Oklahoma Constitution changing the name of the State Industrial Court to the Workers' Compensation Court and requiring the state courts to uphold and adhere to the United States Constitution, the Oklahoma Constitution, United States Code and federal regulations, and the Oklahoma Statutes and rules promulgated pursuant thereto, and if necessary the law of another state of the United States, provided the law of the other state does not include Sharia Law in making judicial decisions.

Fiscal Analysis

The conference committee substitute for HJR1056 has no significant fiscal impact.

Long Term Fiscal Considerations

None

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