

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

4 HOUSE CONCURRENT
5 RESOLUTION 1012

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8 AS INTRODUCED

9 A Concurrent Resolution encouraging and supporting
10 the expansion of rail line from Shawnee to McAlester;
11 recognizing expansion's potential for continued
12 economic prosperity for Oklahoma.

13 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature desires to support any efforts
14 to improve the economic prosperity of Oklahomans across the state
15 and make Oklahoma a top-ten state in economic growth and prosperity;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature recognizes the importance of
18 expanded rail service from central Oklahoma to southeastern Oklahoma
19 for the increased economic growth of Oklahoma; and

20 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature understands that expanded rail
21 service from central Oklahoma to southeastern Oklahoma will reduce
22 the wear and tear on Oklahoma's highway system; and

23 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature understands that expanded rail
24 service from central Oklahoma to southeastern Oklahoma will support

1 the safety and security of the United States by providing critical
2 transportation infrastructure and necessary transportation
3 redundancy for the United States military installations at Tinker
4 Air Force Base in Midwest City, OK, Fort Sill Army Base in Lawton,
5 OK, and the McAlester Army Ammunition Plant near McAlester, OK; and

6 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature is supportive of all tribal
7 entities in the State of Oklahoma and furthermore the Oklahoma
8 Legislature understands that expanded rail service from central
9 Oklahoma to southeastern Oklahoma will economically benefit any and
10 all tribal entities through which the expanded rail service runs;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature recognizes the role the
13 Oklahoma Department of Transportation plays in ensuring that
14 expanded rail service is an integral part of Oklahoma's economic
15 future.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
17 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 57TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
18 CONCURRING THEREIN:

19 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature supports any and all efforts by
20 federal, state, local and tribal entities to expand rail service
21 along the current Union Pacific rail line from mile marker 448.90 in
22 Shawnee, OK, to mile marker 364.96 in McAlester, OK.

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24 DIRECT TO CALENDAR.