

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 1812</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>Introduced</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>See Analysis Below</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB 1812 modifies the days in which a registered voter may apply for an in-person absentee ballot. Registration would be open Monday through Friday for two (2) weeks preceding a state or federal election and the two (2) Saturdays preceding a state or federal election. Currently, registration is open the Thursday, Friday, and Saturday preceding a state or federal election.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 1812 in its current form lengthens the time period where voters may apply for in-person absentee ballots. Officials for the State Election Board (SEB) anticipate an increased cost per statewide election of approximately \$360,000. Assuming two such elections per year, the fiscal year cost to SEB is estimated to be approximately \$720,000 per year.

SEB also anticipates increased costs to county election boards as a result of the provisions of HB 1812. SEB estimates an increased cost to Oklahoma County of approximately \$306,000 per election, and an increase of \$180,000 per election for Tulsa County. The other 75 county election boards would also be expected to see increased costs, though each county's cost is expected to be significantly less than those of Oklahoma County and Tulsa County.

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**Other Considerations**

None.