BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: HB 2173
Version: Proposed Committee Substitute
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute for HB 2173 relates to vacancies in elected office. This PCS establishes a new procedure for special elections for U.S. Senate elections for Oklahoma. For the special election, if it occurs in an odd-numbered year and is not scheduled to be filled in the coming election, the special election will occur concurrently with regularly scheduled statewide elections. If the vacancy occurs in an even-numbered year during an election in which the seat will not be regularly filled, the special election will occur during the next statewide election in an even numbered year. If the vacancy occurs in an odd-numbered or even numbered year in which the seat is scheduled to be filled at a regularly occurring election the next year, no special election will take place. When a vacancy occurs in the U.S. Senate for the state of Oklahoma, the governor has thirty (30) days to appoint someone from a list of eligible nominees provided by the Speakers of the Oklahoma House of Representatives to hold the office until an election and call a special election, if necessary.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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