BILL SUMMARY

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature

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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

HB 3941 creates the Oklahoma Federal Recommendation Committee whose duty is to seek, evaluate, and nominate 4 to 6 qualified individuals to serve as a United States Attorney in the case of a vacancy in one of Oklahoma's districts. The Committee will submit their recommend nominees to the United States Senators from Oklahoma. It also sets the framework for the committee.

The measure outlines certain rules and procedures such as:

- The Committee should consist of 6 members with the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representative and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate serving as cochairs. The other 4 members are the chairs of the Judiciary Committees in both the House and Senate:
- An affirmative vote by a majority of the members of the Committee is required to nominate any candidate;
- Sets guidelines for seeking and accepting candidate applications;
- Exempts committee meetings and all information given to the committee from the Open Meetings Act and the Open Records Act. It also exempts records of recorded votes from the Open Records Act; and
- Allows the Committee to adopt additional rules.

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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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