

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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| <b>Bill No.:</b>       | <b>HB 4362</b>      |
| <b>Version:</b>        | <b>SAHB</b>         |
| <b>Request Number:</b> |                     |
| <b>Author:</b>         | <b>Rep. Hill</b>    |
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| <b>Impact:</b>         | <b>Under Review</b> |

**Research Analysis**

The committee substitute for HB 4362 creates the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology Intern Partnership for STEM Workforce Pipeline Program, which will be administered by the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST). The program will award internship funds contingent upon the availability of funds to applicant organizations to hire student interns. The Oklahoma Science and Technology Research and Development Board will award and approve professional service contracts based upon their criteria. OCAST is directed to promulgate rules to implement and administer the program.

**Senate Amendment to House Bill**

The Senate amendment to HB 4362 removes the language "contingent upon the availability of funds" as it relates to OCAST awarding competitive internship funds.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The Senate amendment removes the permissive language. As such, the internship would likely require funding from state appropriations.

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**Other Considerations**

None.