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Bill Analysis

SB 1204 creates the Oklahoma Commission on Race and Equality, which shall be comprised of 30 members. Of the 30 members, the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and Speaker of the House shall each appoint 7 members while the remaining 9 members shall be appointed by the Oklahoma Legislative Black Caucus. The President Pro Tempore shall name the Chair and the Speaker shall name the Vice-Chair. The term for each member shall be 3 years. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall provide the staff necessary to support the Commission.

The Commission shall advise state agencies and employees, communities, organizations, and businesses on matters relating to racial bias as well as monitor legislation to determine whether it is discriminatory toward one race or ethnicity. Additionally, the Commission shall act as a clearinghouse for research relating to racial discrimination and provide feedback to boards on issue of diversity. The measure also creates the Oklahoma Commission on Race and Equality Revolving Fund.

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