BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB2352
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Impact: See Analysis Below

Research Analysis

HB 2352 creates the Oklahoma Rural Highway Improvements for Safety Act. The measure requires the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to add at least 250 lane mile upgrades for rural two-lane highways with deficient shoulders to the eight-year Construction Work Plan each year. Projects should be selected based on historic fatality rates, traffic counts, and connectivity of rural communities. This act is to remain in effect until October 31, 2032.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2352 requires the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) to add a minimum of two hundred and fifty (250) lane miles of upgrades for rural two-lane highways with deficient shoulders to the eight-year Construction Work Plan (CWP) each year. This change would result in an approximate increase of one thousand (1,000) additional miles added to the CWP, with an estimated cost to ODOT of four hundred and fifty million dollars (\$450,000,000) over the course of the eight-year CWP. It is expected that ODOT would request additional appropriations to cover the costs of this measure. This amount is likely to vary fiscal year to fiscal year depending on the cost of the projects.

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Other Considerations

None.

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