BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.: **SB621** Version: **ENGR Request Number:**

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Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 621 creates the Oklahoma Workforce Commission to coordinate the development of the workforce needed to grow Oklahoma's economy and Oklahomans' prosperity. The Commission will consist of 9 members appointed by the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and Speaker of the House.

The Commission will administer the newly created Workforce Development Revolving Fund, cooperate with public and private entities as needed, and enter into contracts or agreements for studies, professional services, grant administration and procurement, research projects, supplies, or any other services deemed necessary. The Commission may invest funds in obligations of the United States, in general obligations of any state, in any interest-bearing account or certificate of deposit of a bank that is a member of the Federal Reserve System, or in obligations fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB621 creates a new Oklahoma Workforce Commission ("Commission"). It does allow the Commission employ or contract for personnel to carry out the purposes of the Commission, establishes a revolving fund that may receive appropriations, and perform specific duties such as enter into contracts or administer grants. There is no appropriation into the revolving fund created.

There will be some costs to starting a new Commission in addition to ongoing operational costs needed, but currently unknown. As there is no revenue measure for the Commission to be selffunded, it will likely need appropriations to help fund the Commission. Therefore, there is likely to be a fiscal impact to the state budget.

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Other Considerations

None.