

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	SB674
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Impact:	No negative impact

Research Analysis

The CS to SB 674 creates the Oklahoma Organized Retail Crime Task Force to provide information on organized retail crime and the advantages and drawbacks of instituting various countermeasures to address losses from retail theft in the state. The 13-member Task Force is to issue a report by December 15, 2024 that:

- reviews the laws and regulations on organized retail crime used by other states, the federal government, and foreign countries to regulate the marketplace;
- examines organized retail theft's impact on state and local tax receipts;
- examines the need for interagency coordination of public education and outreach and prevention programs for business owners; and
- contains Legislative and regulatory recommendations, if any, to increase transparency and security, enhance consumer protections, prevent organized retail theft, and to address the long-term economic impact related to the prevalence of organized retail crime.

The CS increases the membership from 13 to 15 by adding one member from the Convenience Distributors of Oklahoma and one member from the Oklahoma Grocers Association.

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Fiscal Analysis

The committee substitute to SB674 creates the Oklahoma Organized Retail Crime Task Force which shall be comprised of fifteen (15) non-compensated members. Members can be reimbursed for necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act. Given that travel reimbursement expenses of this nature are not predictable and are often minimal, SB672 in its current form is not anticipated to have a negative impact on state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.