

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

3 HOUSE BILL 2352

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to transportation; creating the
8 Oklahoma Rural Highway Improvements for Safety Act;
9 providing for certain objectives for certain rural
10 highway safety improvements; providing for
11 codification; and providing an effective date.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1914 of Title 69, unless there
15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Rural
17 Highway Improvements for Safety Act".

18 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1914.1 of Title 69, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. Effective on November 1, 2023, the Oklahoma Department of
22 Transportation shall implement a plan to add a minimum of two
23 hundred fifty (250) lane miles of upgrades for rural two-lane
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1 highways with deficient shoulders to the eight-year Construction
2 Work Plan (CWP) each year.

3 B. The new projects referenced in subsection A of this section
4 shall be spread across all transportation districts and selected
5 based on the factors of historic fatality rates, traffic counts, and
6 connectivity of rural communities. Areas experiencing traffic
7 growth pattern over the past five (5) years shall have priority.

8 C. This act shall remain in effect until October 31, 2032.

9 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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