

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB207
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Impact:	OSDH: \$48,725

Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 207 establishes the Oklahoma Rare Disease Advisory Council within the State Department of Health. The Council will provide guidance and recommendations to educate the public, the Legislature, and other state agencies on the needs of individuals with rare diseases. The Governor will appoint the chair of the Council. The chair is required to appoint no fewer than 13 members. The Council must submit a report to Senate and House leaders and the Governor within one year of the establishment of the Council. The initial meeting shall occur no later than February 1, 2026. The Council must meet quarterly and conduct meetings in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. After the initial five years of the Council, member will serve no longer than three years. The Department of Health is directed to compile an annual report listing disorders screened for in newborn screening and specifying any disorders added and efforts to add additional disorders. This report will be submitted to the Legislature, the Governor, and the Oklahoma Rare Disease Advisory Council.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 207 creates the Oklahoma Rare Disease Advisory Council within the State Department of Health (OSDH) to provide guidance to the Legislature, state agencies, and the public on the needs of individuals with rare diseases.

According to OSDH, the measure will require an additional full-time equivalent (FTE) position for a coordinator. OSDH has confirmed that it can absorb 0.5 FTE into existing roles but will require an additional appropriation of Forty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$48,725) for the remaining 0.5 FTE. This estimate reflects 50% of a coordinator's salary, along with fringe benefits.

Therefore, the fiscal impact on the FY26 state budget is \$48,725.

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Other Considerations

None.

