

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 535
Version:	ENGR
Request Number:	
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

Engrossed SB 535 modifies sections within the Oklahoma Open Records Act. The definition of *law enforcement agency* is amended to include state and local fire marshals when investigating potential violations or when acting on behalf of a law enforcement agency. The measure requires records sought by a party to a pending civil litigation or criminal prosecution in which records may be sought through a subpoena process to be kept confidential.

Public bodies are allowed to request an advance payment of records request fees if the total fee cost would exceed \$75 or if the requestor has outstanding fees from a previous request. Additionally, public bodies are allowed to require a requestor to complete a records request form, which is to include a description of the request with reasonable specificity as laid out in the measure. If the requestor fails to describe the request with reasonable specificity, the public body can deny the request.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.