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Bill Analysis

SB 1205 creates the Oklahoma Safe Neighborhoods Act of 2026. The measure authorizes property owners and triple net lease holders located in a municipality with a population over 130,000 or a county that has a municipality with a population over 130,000 within it to submit a written claim for compensation if the municipality or county adopts a policy, ordinance, or law that declines to enforce existing laws or ordinances relating to illegal public camping, loitering, panhandling, public urination, public consumption of alcoholic beverages, shoplifting, obstructing public thoroughfares, possession of illegal substances, or shoplifting.

The owner or leaseholder must document expense to mitigate the effects of the adopted policy, ordinance, or law. Owners may receive an amount equal to the documented expenses incurred. Such owners may also receive compensation in an amount equal to the loss of fair market value to their property due to the adoption of such policies, ordinances, or laws. The amount paid to the owner shall be in lieu of damages. Claims may only be submitted once per year. Claims may be submitted in the next tax year if the policy, ordinance, or law remains in place.

The measure directs the municipality or county to accept or reject the claim for compensation within 30 days of receipt of the claim. If the municipality or county rejects the claim the measure, the owner or leaseholder may file a cause of action in the district court of the county. During the trial, the municipality or county shall have the burden of proof to demonstrate that its rejection is lawful or that the amount of the claim is unreasonable.

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