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TAX(ES): Income Tax

SUBJECT(S): Credit

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2026

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ESTIMATED REVENUE IMPACT:

FY27: \$0

FY28: Estimated decrease of \$31,500 in income tax collections.

ANALYSIS: SB 1409 proposes to amend 68 O.S. § 2357, relating to the child tax credit. Effective beginning with tax year 2027, taxpayers who experience a stillbirth may claim a credit equal to 5% of the federal child tax credit that would be allowed for a dependent if the child otherwise met the federal dependency requirements. The credit is available only in the tax year in which the stillbirth occurs and is contingent upon the issuance of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth and may not be claimed if taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income exceeds \$100,000.

Data based on a five-year average (2018–2022) indicates that Oklahoma experiences a stillbirth rate of 5.85 per 1,000 live births, which translates to an average of 286 stillbirths per yearⁱ. Assuming that the federal child tax credit for a qualifying dependent is \$2,200ⁱⁱ, the Oklahoma credit would amount to \$110 per stillbirth.

If every taxpayer who experiences a stillbirth in tax year 2027 meets the eligibility requirements and claims the full credit for each stillbirth, the estimated reduction in state income tax collections would be approximately \$31,500. Since the impact will be realized when tax year 2027 returns are filed during calendar year 2028, this reduction is expected to occur in FY28. No changes in withholding or estimated tax payments are expected.

ⁱ Count the Kicks, "Stillbirth Statistics in Oklahoma," accessed February 25, 2025, <https://countthekicks.org/statistics/ok/>.

ⁱⁱ The federal child tax credit amount for tax year 2027 will be determined by federal law and annual inflation adjustments announced by the Internal Revenue Service in late 2026. This estimate assumes a federal child tax credit of \$2,200 based on current law.

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