

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**
2 April 15, 2025

3 ENGROSSED HOUSE
4 BILL NO. 1571

By: Lawson, Hill, Munson,
Townley, Pittman, and
Waldron of the House

5 and
6 Gollihare of the Senate
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9 An Act relating to Route 66; amending Section 1,
10 Chapter 412, O.S.L. 2022 (69 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section
11 4040), which relates to the Oklahoma Route 66
12 Commission; removing expiration date of the Oklahoma
13 Route 66 Commission; amending Section 2, Chapter 412,
14 O.S.L. 2022 (69 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 4041), which
15 relates to the Oklahoma Route 66 Commission Revolving
16 Fund; modifying conditions for budgeting and
17 expenditures of funds; and providing an effective
18 date.

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

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 412, O.S.L.
21 2022 (69 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 4040), is amended to read as
22 follows:

23 Section 4040. A. There is hereby created ~~until June 30, 2027,~~
24 the Oklahoma Route 66 Commission. The Commission shall be composed
of nine (9) members. The members shall serve as follows:

1. One member shall be appointed by the Governor and selected
from the Commissioners of the Oklahoma Tax Commission, whose first

1 term shall be for one (1) year, and then renewable for three-year
2 terms thereafter;

3 2. One shall be the Executive Director of the Oklahoma
4 Department of Transportation, or his or her designee, whose first
5 term shall be for two (2) years, and then renewable for three-year
6 terms thereafter;

7 3. One shall be the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Tourism
8 and Recreation Department, or his or her designee, whose first term
9 shall be for three (3) years, and then renewable for three-year
10 terms thereafter;

11 4. Three members shall be appointed by the President Pro
12 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate of which:

13 a. one shall be a citizen of a county containing a
14 portion of Route 66, whose first term shall be for one
15 (1) year, and renewable for three-year terms
16 thereafter,

17 b. one shall be a city manager, assistant city manager,
18 or economic development director for a municipality on
19 Route 66 with a population greater than ten thousand
20 (10,000), whose first term shall be for two (2) years,
21 and renewable for three-year terms thereafter, and

22 c. one shall be an Oklahoma citizen with expertise or
23 experience in historic preservation, whose first term

1 shall be for three (3) years, and then renewable for
2 three-year terms thereafter; and

3 5. Three members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the
4 Oklahoma House of Representatives of which:

- 5 a. one shall be a citizen of a county containing a
6 portion of Route 66, whose first term shall be for one
7 (1) year, and then renewable for three-year terms
8 thereafter,
- 9 b. one of whom shall be a business owner whose business
10 is located along Route 66 within a city or town whose
11 population is less than ten thousand (10,000), whose
12 first term shall be for two (2) years, and then
13 renewable for three-year terms thereafter, and
- 14 c. one shall be an Oklahoma citizen with expertise or
15 experience in marketing, whose first term shall be for
16 three (3) years, and then renewable for three-year
17 terms thereafter.

18 B. The Commission shall utilize the Oklahoma Route 66
19 Commission Revolving Fund as authorized in Section ~~2~~ 4041 of this
20 act title.

21 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 412, O.S.L.
22 2022 (69 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 4041), is amended to read as
23 follows:

1 Section 4041. A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury
2 a revolving fund to be designated as the "Oklahoma Route 66
3 Commission Revolving Fund", which shall consist of all monies
4 appropriated, transferred, or otherwise designated to the fund by
5 law. The revolving fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to
6 fiscal year limitations, and shall be under the administration of
7 the Oklahoma Route 66 Commission. All monies accruing to the credit
8 of said fund are hereby appropriated, and shall be budgeted and
9 expended in accordance with the provisions of subsection B of this
10 section for the purpose of preserving and developing Route 66 and
11 commemorating the Route 66 Centennial.

12 B. ~~No funds~~ Funds shall be budgeted or expended from the
13 Oklahoma Route 66 Commission Revolving Fund ~~prior to July 1, 2023,~~
14 ~~or prior to the approval by the Legislature of promulgated permanent~~
15 ~~in accordance with rules adopted by the Commission pursuant to the~~
16 ~~provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act.~~

17 C. The Oklahoma Route 66 Commission shall promulgate, pursuant
18 to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, permanent
19 rules subject to approval by the Legislature, to implement:

- 20 1. Application procedures for projects submitting requests for
21 funds;
- 22 2. Processes for awarding of funding applications;
- 23 3. Details of the Commission's general duties;

1 4. Reporting requirements of the Commission to the Legislature;
2 and

3 5. Any other rules necessary to carry out the purpose and
4 mission of the Commission as expressed in this act.

5 D. All unencumbered funds remaining in the Oklahoma Route 66
6 Commission Revolving Fund upon the expiration of the Oklahoma Route
7 66 Commission shall be transferred to the State Treasurer for
8 deposit in the General Revenue Fund.

9 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

10 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WORKFORCE
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