



## 2018 Hospitality Industry Legislation ISSUES BRIEF

### SENATE BILLS

#### **SB 1148 - Sen. Sharp**

Restores the 1% vendor deduction for sales collections and, limits deduction to \$2,500.

**Position: Support**

#### **SB 1252 - Sen. Stanislawski**

Relates to the Oklahoma Quality Events Incentive Act. This incentive was designed to promote certain quality events that have a significant positive economic impact. Extends termination date to 2021.

**Position: Support**

#### **SB 1334 - Sen. Bice**

Allows 60-day window for mandatory employee alcohol server training. **Position: Support**

#### **SB 1336 - Sen. Bice**

Allows for 8:00 am alcohol sales in restaurants where permitted. **Position: Support**

#### **SB 1394 - Sen. Bice**

Changes 13.5% Mixed Beverage Tax to 6.5% and moved to distributor level, paid by all retail sellers of alcohol. **Position: Support**

#### **SB 1405 - Sen. Pugh**

Removes Lt. Governor as an ex officio voting member of Tourism and Recreation Commission, making Lt. Governor responsible for appointing the Commission members rather than the Governor. It also gives the Lt. Governor authority to appoint the Chief Executive Officer of the Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Lt. Governor. **Position: Support**

#### **SB 1528 - Sen. Floyd**

Creates Joint Legislative Work Schedule Task Force. The task force will report on effects of employers changing work schedules. **Position: Oppose**

#### **SJR 61 - Sen. David**

Constitutional Amendment to lower the number of votes required for Legislature to create new sales taxes on tobacco and alcohol. The required vote would be reduced from three-fourths to three-fifths.

**Position: Oppose**



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### HOUSE BILLS

#### **HB 2533- Rep. Walke**

Relates to Minimum Wage; raises the minimum wage in the state to \$11.00/hour or the federal minimum, whichever is greater. **Position: Oppose**

#### **HB 2606 - Rep. Rick West**

Short Term Rental Act of 2018 - Shell bill, no substantive language yet. **Position: Further Study**

#### **HB 2845- Rep. Meredith**

Relates to brewer and small brewers' licenses; allows brewers to purchase wine and beer from licensed distributors for on-premises consumption. **Position: Support**

#### **HB 2906 - Rep. Montgomery**

Creates the Oklahoma Commerce and Tourism Services Act of 2018 - Shell bill no substantive language yet. **Position: Further Study**

#### **HB 3084 - Rep. Cockroft**

Restores the 1% vendor deduction for collecting and remitting sales tax. **Position: Support**

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