House Passes Repeal Of Accountability

By Paul Elicker

The Oklahoma Journal

The House on Friday approved a proposal that would repeal a 1974 law that requires school districts to conduct an annual audit of their financial statements. The measure, House Bill 1030, passed by a vote of 87-12, and now goes to the Senate for consideration.

The bill, sponsored by Rep. David Warner, R-Coldwater, would eliminate the requirement that school districts submit financial statements to the state auditor for review. The current law requires districts to submit the statements annually and have them reviewed by an independent audit firm.

Warner said the repeal of the audit requirement would save school districts an estimated $4 million to $5 million per year. The current cost of the audits is about $3 million to $4 million per year, he said.

The bill was endorsed by the Oklahoma Association of School Boards, the Oklahoma School Boards Association and the Oklahoma Coalition for Education Reform.

State Gets Staffing Grant

By John Gillis

The Oklahoma State Board of Education has awarded a $500,000 grant to the state's Department of Education to help fund the hiring of additional staff.

The grant will be used to hire 20 full-time employees, including 10 instructional assistants, 5 administrative assistants and 5 special education teachers. The grant will also provide funding for professional development opportunities for these employees.

The grant was made possible through a partnership between the Oklahoma State Department of Education and the Oklahoma City Public Schools.

Okmulgee Defendant Acquitted

By Debra Mather

The Okmulgee County Courthouse in Okmulgee was closed Friday morning as the county's district attorney and local police officers searched for a suspect in a shooting that occurred earlier in the day.

A 19-year-old man was shot and killed in the courthouse parking lot, and investigators believe the shooting was linked to a robbery that occurred earlier in the day.

The suspect, who was not identified, fled the scene and has not been located as of Friday afternoon.

Logan Gets Wildlife Post

By Debra Mather

The Wildlife Conservation Commission announced on Friday that it has appointed Larry Johnson to the agency's new wildlife post in Logan County.

Johnson, a former wildlife officer with the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, will assume his new duties on Monday.

He will be responsible for enforcing wildlife laws and regulations in Logan County and will work closely with the county sheriff and other law enforcement officials.

The appointment is part of a major expansion of the state's wildlife post network, which is being undertaken to better protect Oklahoma's natural resources and ensure compliance with state and federal laws.
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Health Center Enrollment Up

In the past few years, the University of Oklahoma's Health Center has seen a steady increase in enrollment. This year, the center reports a significant rise, with over 19,126 students enrolled. The increase is attributed to several factors, including improved health services and a growing university population. The facility continues to expand its services to accommodate the growing needs of its students.

Planner Asks Hearing On Proposed Bypass

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American Fidelity Names 3
American Fidelity Assurance Co. announced Thursday evening that Mothers Collins had been promoted to assistant vice president of the company. William Davis and Joel Smith were also named assistant vice presidents. Collins, 40, a long-time employee of the company, had served as assistant to the vice president of the company. Mother's Collins, 40, a graduate of John Marshall, received a B.A. degree from Howard University. Davis, 36, a manager of the new business department, joined American Fidelity in 1972 and transferred from Lincoln's High School and received a B.S. degree from Louisiana College in Paris. Davis was a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, joining the Air Force and graduating from the Air Force Academy. Davis was also a member of the Air Force Reserve, serving in South Dakota and attending the University of Texas.

Kernac Sets Dividends
Kernac Corp. directors Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share payable April 15 to shareholders of record March 15.

Marshall Gets Bank Post
Gerald R. Marshall, former vice president of National Bank, was appointed recently to the reserve division of the Federal Reserve. The appointment was made by James E. Smith, chairman of the bank, and was effective immediately.

Engineers To Hear Fowler
The Oklahoma Society of Professional Engineers will hear Mr. Fowler on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Hotel's President's Room. His talk will concern the design and construction of the Hugh L. Carey Tunnel, a major engineering project in the state.

Poulsen Gets Industry Post
Donald D. Poulsen, executive vice president, and a director of WCE, Inc., has been elected second vice president of the Packard Machinery Manufacturers Institute. He has served as chairman of the industrial machinery manufacturers division of the institute.

Corrections

Bill Endorsed
BY DONALD KAUFMAN
The Democrat Party and the Laborers Union have joined in a mass campaign to get out the vote. The candidate is expected to be endorsed at the Laborers Union state convention this week. The endorsement is expected to be unanimous.

Applications for the position of state attorney general are being accepted. The qualifications for the position include a law degree from an accredited law school and at least three years of experience as an attorney. Applications must be submitted by May 1. The position pays $25,000 per year.

Man Orders Car Smashed
A man who ordered a new car at a local dealership was later found dead in his home. The police are investigating the death as a possible murder.

OU Courtesy Grid Ties Discontinued
The Oklahoma Grid Ties were discontinued in 1974 due to the high cost of operation. The company had hoped to continue the service, but the cost proved too great.

Last 3 Weeks

Student Suspended
A student at the University of Oklahoma was suspended for three weeks for violating the university's honor code.

Plant Blast Injuries
Two workers at a plant in Oklahoma City were injured in an explosion. The blast occurred in a chemical processing facility at the plant.

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