

SERVICE OKLAHOMA

2024 LEGISLATION GUIDE

LEGISLATION TO BE IMPLEMENTED BEFORE NOV. 1, 2024

SB2038

Effective Date: June 14, 2024

Every session, multiple pieces of legislation pass that impact the same sections of law. SB2038 takes those multiple changes and merges all the various versions into one. There should not be any substantive impact or changes with this bill. However, you will start to see fewer versions of the same statutes.

SB773

Effective Date: July 1, 2024

This bill transfers the administration of aircraft registration from the Oklahoma Tax Commission to Service Oklahoma. Starting July 1, 2024, customers will be able to complete their aircraft registration online through OkCars. Licensed operators will not process these transactions, as statute neither requires nor provides for any associated compensation.

HB2102

Effective Date: Aug. 28, 2024

The Hope Shaffer Act prohibits driver education students from being passengers in a vehicle driven by another student driver while receiving driver education instruction without the express written consent of the passenger student's parent or legal guardian. The driving school must keep a record of the waivers and may not refuse to admit a student driver if the parent decides not to sign the waiver.

Effective Date: Sept. 1, 2024

The Mason Treat Act, SB2035, is groundbreaking legislation that transforms the vehicle registration process in the State of Oklahoma. The bill signifies a fundamental shift in the way license plates are issued starting on Sept. 1, 2024.

SB2035 was named the Mason Treat Act after Senate Pro Tempore Greg Treat's son who was critically injured in January during a routine traffic stop. The goal of the bill is to improve road safety for drivers and law enforcement officers by limiting the amount of time temporary paper plates are on vehicles.

Starting Sept. 1, 2024, license plate information will be input into Service Oklahoma's system within two business days of a vehicle sale or transfer. Dealers, sellers and/or buyers will be required to submit pre-registration vehicle information either online through OkCars or in person at a licensed operator or the Service Oklahoma OKC-Classen location. This change in process will assist the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority's PlatePay system and law enforcement officers by allowing quicker access to vehicle owner information.

To reduce the amount of time paper temporary plates are on vehicles, metal license plates will be issued within ten days of a vehicle purchase and new temporary pre-registration decals will be affixed on all license plates until the customer completes their vehicle registration.

DRIVER LICENSE LEGISLATION TO BE IMPLEMENTED ON NOV. 1, 2024

SB1724

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

Beginning Nov. 1, 2024, if the driving privileges of a criminal offender in a community sentencing program have been suspended, revoked, cancelled or denied by Service Oklahoma and the Court determines that the offender has no other means of transportation, the Court may enter an order staying the action against the offender's Class D driving privileges.

HB3000

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

HB3000 relates to impaired driving and creates a path for first-time offenders to complete the Impaired Driving Accountability Program (IDAP) to avoid having a driver license revocation appear on their driving record. To take advantage of this option, the first-time offender is required to enroll in IDAP with the Board of Tests within 30 days of the offense. This bill does not change any of the other IDAP requirements. In addition, this bill also creates the Impaired Driving Prevention Advisory Committee to complete a statewide strategic plan to reduce the number of impaired driving incidents and crashes.

HB3231

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

HB3231 will permit homeless children and youth under the age of 18 to apply for a four-year REAL ID noncompliant state identification card without the signature of a parent or guardian. These children and youth will need to be verified as being homeless by a director of a homeless shelter, director of a transitional living program, a McKinney-Vento homeless liaison of a public school or a continuum of care lead agency.

HB3599

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

This bill amends the Sarah Stitt Act to allow for the use of a copy of a birth certificate, coupled with a Department of Corrections (DOC) issued consolidated record card, to serve as a valid form of identification for all DOC inmates who do not have a current state-issued identification card or Driver License to obtain a REAL ID noncompliant state identification card upon their release from DOC custody.

HB3885

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

HB3885 increases the time limitation within which a municipal or district court clerk is required to notify Service Oklahoma of a citation as required under the State and Municipal Traffic, Water Safety and Wildlife Bail Bond Procedure Act. Currently, the clerks have 120 days to notify Service Oklahoma. But beginning Nov. 1, 2024, they will have one year from the date of the citation to notify Service Oklahoma.

SB1766

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

SB1766 makes a number of changes related to the Farm Permit, designated examiners and driver education. Beginning Nov. 1, 2024, individuals who are at least 13-and-a-half years of age and who qualify for the Farm Permit may operate a motor vehicle during driver education instruction. Designated examiners will be able to administer the Class D drive test examination to anyone including but not limited to someone with a Learner Permit or a Farm Permit. Service Oklahoma will be required to publish a schedule of all designated examiner courses by Oct. 1 of each year. Additionally, driving school and instructor licenses can now be renewed every year or every four years.

MOTOR VEHICLE LEGISLATION TO BE IMPLEMENTED ON NOV. 1, 2024

HB3105

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

This bill amends the definition and use of the term "powersports vehicle." Powersports vehicles will be treated similarly to new motor vehicles and powersports dealers will be regulated by the Oklahoma New Motor Vehicle Commission.

SB1547

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

Businesses with at least ten vehicles registered as commercial vehicles will be eligible for an optional mass renewal of those commercial vehicle registrations. Payments for such renewals will be due on Jan. 1 of each year.

HB3618

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

HB3618 will permit the transfer of a motor vehicle that is subject to a lien when owned by a business and transferred to an owner of that business. Service Oklahoma will be required to provide notice of the transfer to the lienholder.

HB3517 and SB1909

Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2024

These two specialty plate bills will create the Broken Arrow Public Schools license plate, ROAD license plate, Tulsa Icon license plate, and ORA license plate, as well as change the beneficiary of the Monarch Butterfly license plate and amend the Hallett Motor racing plate.

