



# Oklahoma Senate DEMOCRATS

## 2025 Policy Agenda

We work to build an Oklahoma where **every** child gets a great education, **everyone** has a good job, and **every** family can stay healthy. We collaborate across the aisle to find real solutions that bring more opportunities and freedom for all Oklahomans.

### A Great Education for Everyone

We are working to make sure **every** child learns to read, **every** teacher gets the support they need, and **every** school is safe from politics getting in the way. **Education is the heart of our communities.**

- Support teachers so **every** child can succeed.
- Keep **all** students and teachers safe from harmful politics.
- Make college and higher education possible for **every** Oklahoman.

### Prosperity for All

We are working for better jobs, higher pay, and paid time off so **everyone** can keep up with the rising costs of gas, food, and housing. **Our economy should work for all of us.**

- Increase the minimum wage so **everyone** can earn a fair living.
- Give people more paid time off to care for their families.
- Fix the housing market so **everyone** has a safe place to live.

### Longer, Healthier Lives

We are working to lower the high cost of health care so **everyone** can see a doctor and afford their medicine. **Every Oklahoman deserves to live a healthy, full life.**

- Make it easier for **everyone** to get the medicine, care, and essentials they need.
- Make health insurance companies treat **all** people fairly.
- Support the health of **all** new moms and babies.

### Open and Fair Government

We are working to stop corruption and make sure the government works **for the people**, not just for politicians or big businesses.

- Ensure fair and honest rules for elections
- Make sure **every** eligible Oklahoman can vote without hassles
- Require more transparency for corporate tax incentives



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## 2025 Agenda Legislation

### A Great Education for Everyone

- SB 142 - Sen. Hicks:** Increases teacher pay
- SB 186 - Sen. Mann:** Reduces the teacher shortage
- SB 374 - Sen. Mann:** Safeguards school accreditation
- SB 407 - Sen. Brooks:** Provides professional development for English Language Learner teachers
- SB 406 - Sen. Brooks:** Increases participation in Oklahoma's Promise
- SB 408 - Sen. Boren:** Improves access to higher education for pregnant students
- Budget Request - Sen. Goodwin, Sen. Nice, Sen. Kirt:** Significant funding infusion for Langston University

### Prosperity for All

- SB 35 - Sen. Hicks:** Increases the minimum wage
- SB 55 - Sen. Nice:** Increases the minimum wage
- SB 87 - Sen. Boren:** Provides state employees with paid family leave
- SB 254 - Sen. Dossett:** Requires Dept. of Labor to study fiscal requirements of Family and Medical Leave Insurance
- SB 262 - Sen. Nice:** Creates Oklahoma Rental Assistance Grant Program
- SB 275 - Sen. Kirt:** Creates the Oklahoma Workforce Housing Commission
- SB 277 - Sen. Dossett:** Creates a Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund
- SB 470 - Sen. Kirt:** Incentivizes companies to offer better pay and paid family leave

### Longer, Healthier Lives

- SB 34 - Sen. Hicks:** Reduces medication costs
- SB 155 - Sen. Hicks:** Improves access to diabetes treatment
- SB 226 - Sen. Hicks:** Incentivizes hospitals to provide better care to new moms and babies
- SB 362 - Sen. Nice:** Creates Community Health Worker Certification

### Open and Fair Government

- SB 82 - Sen. Kirt:** Requires legislators to receive ethics training
- SB 94 - Sen. Nice:** Creates the Oklahoma Commission on Race and Equality
- SB 129 - Sen. Kirt:** Increases early voting days
- SB 143 - Sen. Kirt:** Creates automatic voter registration
- SB 214 - Sen. Goodwin:** Creates deadline for Governor to place initiatives on the ballot
- SB 273 - Sen. Boren:** Increases early voting days
- SB 471 - Sen. Kirt:** Increases requirements for business incentives

This list is not comprehensive or complete. More legislation will be added after the legislative filing deadline.