# Bill Tracking Training for Teachers Sponsored by Senator Mary Boren and Jacquelyn Walsh January 13, 2019, Norman Oklahoma

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#### PRE-TEST:

- 1. Have you ever emailed or called your legislator?
- 2. Have you ever been to a Legislative Committee meeting?
- 3. Have you ever been sat in the gallery and watched a session proceeding?
- 4. Have you read a bill?
- 5. Do you know how to find bill text online?
- 6. How deep is your understanding of the legislative process?
- 7. What do you want to learn?

#### Post-TEST:

- 1. Are you more likely or less likely to email you Legislator?
- 2. Are you more likely to watch a Committee Meeting online or in person?
- 3. Are you more likely to watch a session proceeding online or in person?
- 4. Are you more likely to read a bill and share your thoughts with a team member?
- 5. What resistance will you experience to your desire to be more engaged?

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#### AGENDA:

#### 3:15-3:45 Know your resources:

Understand websites. Advanced Bill Search Link is Here

Progress of bill. Watching Agendas (Senate / thursdays and House / Wednesdays).

Amendments. Tracking Votes.

Social Media Site: Twitter accounts: Oklahoma media: Oklahoma Watch; NonDoc; Oklahoma Policy (Remember to follow as many papers as possible throughout Oklahoma on Facebook) AP Shawn Murphy; E-Capitol; news aggregator

#### **Action Steps:**

- 1. Email address for your legislator and committee members, with district connection.
- 2. Look up Bills that you care about by subject, or author or by bill number
- 3. Get a team (find some friends who will talk about this with you); OEA, AFT, POE, Walk-Out Page Friends, PLAC, Peers & Colleagues, OK Policy, Join up with bigger Districts, Moms Demand Action

**3:45- 4:15 Know what you're talking about:** Read a Bill: (Several Education Bill Handout) (slides). (Break out groups, sharing). (Questions)

- 1. Figure out your inventory and tracking method. Paper or Digital
- 2. Read a bill and take notes on it and talk about it.

#### 4:15 - 4:35 Know when to act:

Click Here for a powerpoint that explains the process Page 26 is an graph of overview:

Pre-filing Work / timeline (Interim Studies through beginning of bill drafting)

You can use an excell spreadsheet like this one to inventory bills.

Phase 1: Chamber of Origin, Committee, House = Monday, Senate = Tuesday Floor Work

Phase 2: Opposite Chamber, Committee/March, Floor Work

Phase 3: Conference/Final Floor Work, Budget finalized and passed

#### **Action Steps:**

- 1. Pull agenda from House and Senate Websites:
- 2. Read the bills (print off or read online) take notes on paper or with spreadsheet.
- 3. Huddle up and talk with your group,

#### Ask questions, count votes

- 4. Contact your Legislator and Committee Members, a
- 5. Contact your network that intersects with the committee members.
- 6. Watch Committee and Floor Sessions in person or online (go to links at websites)

#### 4:35-4:45 Conclusion / Wrap / Post-test 4:45 THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

#### **IMPORTANT CONTACTS:**

#### **Advanced Bill Search Link:**

http://www.oklegislature.gov/AdvancedSearchForm.aspx

Senate and House Address: 2300 N. Lincoln Boulevard, State Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Find your Legislator: http://www.oklegislature.gov/FindMyLegislature.aspx

House Website: https://www.okhouse.gov

Oklahoma House of Representatives Switchboard (405) 521-2711, (800) 522-8502

Senate Website: http://oksenate.gov/index.aspx

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#### **IMPORTANT LINKS AND RESOURCES:**

Inventory / Tracking Spreadsheet: (See Attached)
<a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1vbax-">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1vbax-</a>
Mfnqn9rnAEnxe4YzYGa87azbR5DEXXnweqpdm4/edit?usp=sharing

Twitter Accounts to follow: #okleg and #oklaed

<u>@OklahomaWatch</u> <u>@OSSBAoklahoma</u> <u>@OKPolicy</u> <u>@eCapitol</u> Start a Group me for your team or a Remind for your group

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(Each Senator has their own direct number).

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