

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1946 establishes the School of American Civic Thought and Leadership at the University of Oklahoma (OU) to educate students in the principles, ideals, and institutions of the American political order, the philosophical foundations of responsible leadership and informed citizenship, enhance education in certain fields of political thought and science, provide viewpoint and ideologically diverse resources, and assist in ensuring OU serves as a robust marketplace of ideas. The measure directs the school to be physically housed at OU's Norman campus to operate as an academic unit within the university and creates a 9-member advisory board for the school. The bill directs the advisory board by March 31, 2025, to conduct a national search for the director of the school, and it directs the president of OU to appoint a director from the search list. It requires submission of a report to the the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, Governor, and the chairs of the Senate and House budget committees by September 1, 2026, and each September 1 thereafter.

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