

# 2024 ANNUAL AGENDA



THE STATE CHAMBER

## SHAPING THE FUTURE OF OKLAHOMA TODAY



### CREATING PATHWAYS FOR THE FUTURE WORKFORCE

- Aligning graduation requirements to career pathways and providing new ways for schools to innovate will ensure Oklahoma businesses have access to the future workforce it needs. **(HB 3278)**
- Providing the Oklahoma Workforce Commission with funding necessary to incentivize workforce programs that meet the needs in critical occupational areas will improve workforce development outcomes in Oklahoma and meet economic demand. **(SB 1358)**



### GETTING OKLAHOMANS OFF THE SIDELINES AND INTO WORK

- Employers providing access to affordable, quality childcare for their employees should be celebrated for doing so – it's a simple solution to provide a vital service to Oklahoma's workforce. **(HB 4147)**
- Too many Oklahomans are caught between a handout and a hand up. Supporting Oklahomans transitioning out of state programs and into work should be a bipartisan issue and we plan to identify the solutions that get us there.



### INVESTING IN OKLAHOMA

- Oklahoma makes headlines as an attractive place to do business, but what's causing industry to look elsewhere when they decide to expand? It's time to create a system that delivers effective business recruitment strategies and best serves the businesses already here. With accountability and oversight from the right stakeholders, the state will have a more transparent process resulting in better outcomes for Oklahoma's economy. **(HB 3252, SB 1447, SB 1448)**



### PROMOTING A COMPETITIVE TAX ENVIRONMENT

- Low cost of living and ease of location are important factors for why a business locates here. Competitive tax code? Another important item on the list of what makes Oklahoma great for business. It's time to fine-tune how Oklahoma's tax code works to make it the best it can be for the state, for businesses, and for working Oklahomans. **(HB 2699, HB 3674, SB 1298)**

