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Re: April 2 to 3 Survey Shows 93% of Oklahoma Voters Say Legislature
Has Solved Little, Some or Only Half of Education Funding Problem

Fully 93% of Oklahoma voters believe the state legislature recent action "the past week" has solved no more than half of the problem of raising sufficient tax revenues for teacher pay increases and extra school funding – according to a new voter survey finished last night. Only 5% of voters say it has solved all or most of the problem.

Conversely, 46% say the legislature has solved *little or none* of the problem, 32% *only some* of the problem, and 14% *about half* of the problem – for a total of 93% of voters. Among Republicans, 90% say the legislature has solved no more than half the problem.

Support for the teacher walkout has increased among Oklahoma midterm voters from 58% last week to 68% now, while opposition has dropped from 39% to 30%. *Strong* supporters of the walk-out have increased from 45% to a 53% majority of voters, while *strong* opposition has declined from 28% to 20%. Republicans favor the walkout by 58% to 40%, and public school parents support the walkout by 76% to 21%.

The ratings of both Governor Fallin and the state legislature are slipping in the past two weeks — while the popularity of public school teachers has increased.

While the overall favorable score of public school teachers has held steady at 77%, their "very favorable" score increased from 50% to 58% since last week.

In Fallin's case, only 18% of midterm voters are favorable toward her (down from 26% last week) and fully 70% are unfavorable (up from 60%). Fully 48% of voters are very unfavorable toward her — also up 10% from 38% in late March).

In the legislature's case, just 17% are favorable versus 61% unfavorable. This is down significantly from last week when it was 24% favorable and 52% unfavorable.

The survey was conducted by Harstad Strategic Research, Inc., among a representative cross-section of 464 likely November 2018 midterm election voters in Oklahoma from April 2 to 3, 2018. Interviews were conducted by telephone with live interviewers reaching voters on both cell phones and landlines.