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Dear Editor and Citizens of District 11:

Your State legislature reconvenes on Monday, February 6, 2012 at 12:00 and for the next four months will address legislation that impacts all Oklahomans. As I begin my sixth year as your State Representative for District 11 I will be addressing the development of the 2013 State budget, policy matters, and single issues on your behalf.

The overriding issue once again will be the 2013 State budget. For the past three years we have experienced a budget shortfall which has created roughly 24% reduction in State funding. This year Oklahoma has experienced revenue growth in the amount of 120.3 million. The growth will be utilized to replace the one-time revenue sources we crafted into the 2012 budget to reduce cuts to all State agencies. Therefore, we are facing possible minimal cuts for all State agencies and at best a stand-still budget.

With our economy steadily improving, Oklahoma is in an exciting time. Economic opportunities are being developed across the State and the energy and agriculture sectors continue to rebound. However, as our economy improves we must continue to enhance our recovery by developing additional economic opportunities that grow our economy to create jobs.

As your State Representative I am dedicated to improving the quality of life in our State. Moving Oklahoma forward for the 3.7 million people who choose to call Oklahoma home will always be my number one priority.

As the Session unfolds don't hesitate to contact me should you have questions or concerns about your State budget or issues that we are addressing at the Capitol. Thank you for allowing me to represent you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Earl Sears".

Earl Sears
State Representative, District 11