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### **Representative John Kane Honored with OCA Legislative Appreciation Award**

[OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. – June 1, 2026] Representative John Kane, House District 11, was recently honored with the Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association's (OCA) 2026 Legislative Appreciation Award.

OCA annually honors legislators who have worked hard to protect and promote the Oklahoma beef cattle industry in the Oklahoma Legislature. OCA is at the Capitol every day of the legislative session working with legislators to pass and block key legislation relative to Oklahoma beef cattle producers, private property rights, rural communities and the future of agriculture.

“Representative Kane understands the cattle industry because he is a cattleman himself,” said Michael Kelsey, OCA Executive Vice President. “That firsthand experience gives him a valuable perspective when considering policies that impact ranching families, landowners and rural Oklahoma.”

Representative Kane represents House District 11, which includes parts of Washington and Tulsa counties. As a member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, Kane has been selected for leadership responsibilities currently as Vice Chair of the House Appropriations Committee.

“OCA has appreciated the opportunity to work with Vice Chairman Kane on practical issues that matter to cattlemen, including fencing law, Commissioners of Land Office (CLO) reforms and the protection of private property rights,” Kelsey said. “These are not abstract policy discussions for producers. They directly affect how cattlemen manage their land, protect their livestock and operate their family ranching businesses.”

Kane's background as a cattle producer has helped him bring common sense and real-world understanding to agricultural policy discussions at the Capitol. His willingness to listen, engage and work through complex issues has made him a strong voice for rural Oklahoma and the beef cattle industry.

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“Vice Chairman Kane recognizes that strong property rights and workable laws are essential to the future of agriculture,” Kelsey said. “Oklahoma cattlemen need legislators who understand the importance of keeping producers on the land, protecting their ability to operate and ensuring that state law respects the realities of ranching. He has been an incredibly valuable partner in those efforts.”

The OCA is the trusted voice of the Oklahoma Cattle Industry and works to protect and empower Oklahoma cattlemen today, to serve tomorrow. OCA is the only voice that speaks solely for the cattlemen of Oklahoma and represents beef producers in all 77 counties across the state. For more information about OCA membership, the theft reward program or membership activities and events, call 405-235-4391 or visit [www.okcattlemen.org](http://www.okcattlemen.org).

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