

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL NO. 785

BY: HOBSON

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO THE POLLUTION CONTROL COORDINATING BOARD; REQUIRING THE POLLUTION CONTROL COORDINATING BOARD TO COMPLETE A STUDY OF CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL STATUTES AND AGENCY RULES; REQUIRING DEVELOPMENT OF A STATEWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY; REQUIRING BOARD TO ISSUE CERTAIN REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE BY CERTAIN DATE; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 930 of Title 82, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Pollution Control Coordinating Board shall complete a comprehensive study of the state's environmental statutes and the rules of each agency charged with environmental protection and regulation. The Pollution Control Coordinating Board, after assessing the current environmental structure and the existing statutes with particular emphasis on environmental regulation enforcement and the issuance of permits, shall develop a statewide

environmental policy which will have as its goal the development of a cohesive, coordinated environmental protection and regulation plan. The Board shall issue a report of its findings and its recommendations for legislation necessary to implement a statewide environmental policy to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before January 1, 1994.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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