

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 722

By: Stipe, Harrison and Kerr of
the Senate

and

Mass of the House

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Conservation Commission; authorizing Commission to coordinate the preparation of a Geographic Information System; stating objectives of strategy; creating a State Geographic Information Systems Council; stating membership; providing for chairmanship; stating duty of Council; requiring all environmental agencies to cooperate with the Commission; requiring submission of a report; 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 1501-205.1 of Title 82, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Conservation Commission is hereby authorized to coordinate the preparation of a Strategy for Developing a Geographic Information System for the State of Oklahoma, focusing on, but not limited to, natural resources. The Strategy will:

1. Identify information and databases needed in Geographic Information Systems;
2. Develop a "data dictionary" listing available data;
3. Identify agencies that will be responsible for the maintenance of the data;
4. Recommend a standardized base map for recording data and recommend funding sources;
5. Recommend measures to provide public access to Geographic Information System data; and
6. Recommend measures to coordinate the development of Geographic Information System data with federal agencies responsible for natural resource management.

B. There is hereby created a State Geographic Information Systems Council composed of eleven (11) members as follows:

1. Director of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission or his or her designee;
2. Director of the Department of Environmental Quality or his or her designee;
3. Chairman of the Corporation Commission or his or her designee;
4. Director of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce or his or her designee;
5. Commissioner of the State Department of Agriculture or his or her designee;

6. Director of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board or his or her designee;

7. Director of the Department of Transportation or his or her designee;

8. State Geographer or his or her designee;

9. Director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey or his or her designee;

10. Director of the Center for Spatial Analysis of the University of Oklahoma or his or her designee; and

11. Director of the Environmental Institute of Oklahoma State University or his or her designee.

The chairmanship of the Council shall be held by the Director of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission or his or her designee. Meetings shall be called by the Chairman. The duty of the Council shall be to assist the Oklahoma Conservation Commission in preparation of a Strategy for Developing a Geographic Information System for the State of Oklahoma, as specified in subsection A of this section.

C. Each environmental agency shall cooperate with the Oklahoma Conservation Commission in providing any information necessary to implement the provisions of this section and the duties of the Commission established pursuant to this section.

D. Upon completion, the Oklahoma Conservation Commission shall submit the Strategy for Developing a Geographic Information System for the State of Oklahoma to the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate and to the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

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.

Passed the Senate the 11th day of May, 1994.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 23rd day of May, 1994.

Speaker of the House of Representatives