

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 45th Legislature (1995)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1772

By: Hamilton and Steidley of
the House

and

Haney and Hobson of the
Senate

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Corporation Commission;

providing for duties and compensation of employees;
providing certain exclusions; establishing
budgetary limitations; providing for FTE
utilizations; providing for continuation of
employment; making certain contingency; setting
number and maximum salary of certain persons;
requiring certain expenditures; authorizing certain
expenditures; establishing expenditure limitations;
providing an effective date; and declaring an
emergency.

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

CORPORATION COMMISSION

SECTION 1. The duties and compensation of employees, not otherwise prescribed by law, necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Corporation Commission by law shall be set by the Commissioners. The Corporation Commission, for the fiscal year

ending June 30, 1996, shall be subject to the following budgetary limitations on full-time-equivalent employees and expenditures excluding direct expenditures for well plugging as authorized in Section 310 of Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes, pit closure as authorized in Section 140 of Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and remediation of sites as authorized in Section 353 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and as may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 3603 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

<u>Budgetary Limitation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Full-time-equivalent Employees	0.0
Payroll, Salaries or Wages, Including	
Tax-sheltered Deferment Contracts and	
Longevity Payments Authorized by	
State Statutes	\$0.00
Professional and Personal Services	
Contracts	\$0.00
Purchase of Equipment	\$0.00
Lease-Purchase Agreements	\$0.00
Expenditure of Revolving Funds	\$0.00
Expenditure of Federal Funds	\$0.00
Total Expenditures for Operations	\$0.00

SECTION 2. The continuation of full-time-equivalent employees hired pursuant to Section 360 and Section 361 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be contingent upon sufficient funding of the Oklahoma Petroleum Storage Tank Release Indemnity Program.

SECTION 3. Of the _____ (0.0) full-time-equivalent employees authorized in Section ___ of this act, ____ (0.0) shall perform duties in accordance with the Underground Injection Control Program, ____ (0.0) shall perform duties in accordance with the Underground Storage Tank Program and ___ (0.0) shall perform duties in accordance with the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Program.

The continuation of these full-time-equivalent employees is contingent upon sufficient federal funding to support them.

SECTION 4. The authorized number and maximum annual salary, payable monthly, for the unclassified employee positions utilized in the operation of the Corporation Commission shall be as set forth below. The amounts listed do not constitute an appropriation but are listed to establish salary maximums only for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996.

TITLE	NUMBER AUTHORIZED	MAXIMUM SALARY
General Administrator	1	\$70,000.00
Senior Rate Analyst	1	\$43,585.00
Director, Data Processing	1	\$53,850.00
Administrative Aide	3	\$39,020.00

SECTION 5. One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) inclusive of salaries shall be expended for a pollution response team to respond to and investigate reports of pollution.

SECTION 6. One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) shall be spent from monies available in the Corporation Commission Revolving Fund to implement the provisions of Section 40.1 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 7. In addition to any other monies dedicated to well plugging, the Corporation Commission is hereby authorized to expend from any monies available in the Conservation Fund of the State Treasury and the Corporation Commission Revolving Fund an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), to plug or repair any oil, gas, injection or disposal well which is causing surface or subsurface pollution, pursuant to the provisions of Section 318 of Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 8. Pursuant to subsection F of Section 180.11 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Corporation Commission shall expend no more than Three Million Three Hundred Eighty-nine Thousand

Ninety-six Dollars (\$3,389,096.00) for costs of the Public Utility Division for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996.

SECTION 9. This act shall become effective July 1, 1995.

SECTION 10. 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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