

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1033

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to environment and natural resources;  
authorizing political subdivisions to enter into  
certain compliance schedules to prioritize  
compliance for environmental and certain other  
needs; providing for excessive debt indicia;  
prohibiting certain penalties; 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 2-3-507 of Title 27A, unless  
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Political subdivisions may, when compliance with environmental  
standards would create excessive debt, enter into compliance  
schedules with the Department of Environmental Quality to prioritize  
compliance based on their greatest environmental or other public  
health and safety needs. Excessive debt is indicated when the work  
needed for compliance would require a capital cost or user charge  
significantly beyond the per-household cost for similar sized  
communities within the state. Penalties shall not be assessed if a  
political subdivision complies with the schedule authorized by the  
Department.

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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