

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 46th Legislature (1997)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1816

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to roads, bridges and ferries;
providing for Oklahoma Corporation Commission to
notify board of county commissioners of drilling
permit; requiring permit holder to notify board of
county commissioners of proposed route; providing
for approval or disapproval of proposed route;
requiring board of county commissioners to
establish route if proposed route disapproved;
providing for certain liability for damage to roads
under certain circumstances; providing for
codification; and providing an effective date.

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 601.5 of Title 69, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. In order to protect the county road and bridge system from
substantial damage and high maintenance and repair costs, the
Oklahoma Corporation Commission shall notify in writing the board of
county commissioners of any county that the Corporation Commission
has issued a permit to drill a well in that particular county. The

notice shall contain the name and address of the person to whom the permit was issued and the location of the well site. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the moving to the well site of any oversized or overweight equipment or machinery necessary for the drilling of the well, the person who obtains the permit from the Corporation Commission shall submit in writing to the board of county commissioners a proposed route for moving or transporting the equipment or machinery through the county to the well site. The board of county commissioners shall approve or disapprove the proposed route at its next regular meeting. If the board of county commissioners disapproves the proposed route, the commissioners shall designate a reasonable route.

B. If any person fails to submit a proposed route to a well site as required in subsection A of this section, or fails to use a route approved or designated by the board of county commissioners, such person shall be liable for any damage to the county roads or bridges resulting from the moving of the equipment or machinery on the county roads or bridges and which the county is required to make repairs.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1997.

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