

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR ENGROSSED
5 SENATE BILL NO. 101

By: Kerr of the Senate

and

Langmacher of the House

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11 An Act relating to weather modification; creating the
12 Oklahoma Weather Modification Act; providing for
13 administration of weather modification program by the
14 Oklahoma Water Resources Board; authorizing contracts
15 for certain cloud seeding and hail suppression
16 operations; creating the Oklahoma Weather
17 Modification Advisory Board; stating membership of
18 Board; providing for officer and staff for the Board;
19 authorizing Board to promulgate certain rules;
20 providing for codification; and providing an
21 effective date.

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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 1801.1 of Title 82, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma
Weather Modification Act".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1801.2 of Title 82, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Oklahoma Water Resources Board shall create within the
agency a division to administrate the provisions of the Oklahoma
Weather Modification Act. Contingent upon the availability of
funds, the division shall contract with individuals or entities
experienced with cloud seeding operations in order to increase

1 beneficial rainfall when needed and to attempt to suppress hail in
2 order to prevent property and crop damages.

3 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1801.3 of Title 82, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 A. For the purpose of directing the activities of the Oklahoma
7 Weather Modification Program, there is hereby created the Oklahoma
8 Weather Modification Advisory Board. Such Board shall consist of
9 the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board, the
10 Commissioner of Agriculture, the Executive Director of the Oklahoma
11 Department of Tourism and Recreation, the Insurance Commissioner and
12 one member, appointed by the Governor, who shall be familiar with
13 the insurance industry. Such appointed member shall serve for a
14 term of four (4) years.

15 B. The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board
16 shall be the Chair of the Oklahoma Weather Modification Advisory
17 Board. Staff and legal assistance for the Board shall be provided
18 by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board.

19 C. The Oklahoma Weather Modification Advisory Board shall be
20 authorized to promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this
21 act.

22 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 1999.

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