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FOR  
SENATE BILL 101

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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:

A. The Oklahoma Water Resources Board shall create within the agency a division to administrate the provisions of the Oklahoma Weather Modification Act. The division shall contract with individuals or entities experienced with cloud seeding operations in order to increase beneficial rainfall when needed and to attempt to suppress hail in order to prevent property and crop damages.

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

A. For the purpose of directing the activities of the Oklahoma Weather Modification Program, there is hereby created the Oklahoma Weather Modification Advisory Board. Such Board shall consist of

the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Department of Tourism and Recreation, the Insurance Commissioner and one member, appointed by the Governor, who shall be familiar with the insurance industry. Such appointed member shall serve for a term of four (4) years.

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

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

SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1801.4 of Title 82, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Funding to administer the provisions of the Oklahoma Weather Modification Act shall be provided by a levy of 3 mills on the dollar of each casualty, property and multi-peril insurance policy premium sold in this state. Such monies shall be collected by all Oklahoma licensed insurance companies selling casualty, property and multi-peril insurance policies and shall be deposited in a special account, designated as the Oklahoma Weather Modification Program Fund within the State Treasury within ten (10) days of collection. Insurance companies required to collect fees pursuant to this section shall retain two percent (2%) of such monies to cover the cost of collecting and remitting fees to the fund.

SECTION 5. This act shall become effective November 1, 1999.

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