

An Act relating to environment and natural resources; amending Section 3, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993 (27A O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1-1-201), which relates to the Oklahoma Environmental Quality Act; defining terms; modifying terms; amending Section 4, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 324, O.S.L. 1993 (27A O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1-1-202), which relates to state environmental agencies; modifying certain state environmental agency duties; requiring agencies to promulgate a Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan by certain date; stating requirements for plan; creating a State Water Quality Standards Implementation Advisory Committee; stating membership; stating duties; stating certain agencies shall be the groundwater protection agency within certain jurisdictional areas of responsibility; requiring cooperation of Department of Environmental Quality to protect certain activities; requiring groundwater regulatory agencies to develop certain groundwater protection practices; authorizing agencies to promulgate rules; requiring agencies to take certain necessary action to protect groundwater quality; authorizing certain groundwater protection agencies to engage voluntary cooperation to protect groundwater; encouraging formulation of certain plans to protect groundwater; conducting certain studies, investigations, research, experiments and demonstrations relating to groundwater; conducting groundwater sampling; developing certain public education programs; requiring environmental agencies to participate in certain information management system; requiring the Oklahoma Water Resources Board to provide certain status report; amending Section 10, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 324, O.S.L. 1993 (27A O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1-2-101), which relates to the Secretary of Environment; modifying certain areas of environmental responsibility; requiring Secretary of Environment to develop public participation procedures for certain federal reports by certain date; stating requirements for procedures; amending Section 6, Chapter 398, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 217, O.S.L. 1997 (27A O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1-3-101), which relates to state environmental agency jurisdictional areas of responsibility; modifying certain Department of Environmental Quality areas of environmental responsibility; providing for Department to be technical lead agency for certain programs; adding groundwater protection for certain activities; requiring Department to utilize and enforce Oklahoma Water Quality Standards and implementation documents; requiring Department to develop and maintain certain computer information system; requiring Department to develop certain Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan; modifying certain Oklahoma Water Resources Board areas of environmental responsibility relating to statewide water quality standards and their use, groundwater protection activities, development of a Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan, development of actual uses of groundwater, establishment of statewide beneficial use monitoring program, and coordination with certain state agencies requiring certain report; modifying certain State Department of Agriculture areas of environmental responsibilities relating to groundwater protection for certain activities, utilization and enforcement of Oklahoma Water Quality Standards, and development of a Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan; correcting certain references to agriculture; modifying statutory language; deleting references to certain nonpoint source discharges; clarifying jurisdiction over certain underground injection wells and underground and aboveground storage tanks; modifying Corporation Commission areas of environmental responsibility relating to groundwater protection activities, utilization of Oklahoma Water Quality Standards, and development of a Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan; modifying certain

Conservation Commission areas of environmental responsibility relating to nonpoint source management, groundwater protection, development of a Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan and utilization of Oklahoma Water Quality Standards; modifying certain Department of Mines areas of environmental responsibility relating to groundwater protection, development of a Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan and development of a Water Quality Standards Implementation Plan; amending Section 56, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 217, O.S.L. 1997 (27A O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 2-6-101), which relates to definitions; modifying definition; deleting definition; defining term; requiring Department of Environmental Quality to maintain certain computerized information system of water quality data; requiring state environmental agencies to submit certain information; requiring agencies in noncompliance to report to the Secretary of Environment; amending 82 O.S. 1991, Section 1020.9, as amended by Section 14, Chapter 164, O.S.L. 1993 (82 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1020.9), which relates to actions by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board; requiring Board to issue permit under certain conditions; amending 82 O.S. 1991, Section 1020.15, as amended by Section 322, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993 (82 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1020.15), which relates to groundwater user permits; modifying restrictions for issuing certain permits; removing requirement for referral to certain Department in cases of waste by pollution; amending 82 O.S. 1991, Section 1020.16, as amended by Section 17, Chapter 164, O.S.L. 1993 (82 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1020.16), which relates to commercial drilling or plugging licenses; creating certain exception for Governor-declared emergency situations; amending 82 O.S. 1991, Section 926.6, as renumbered by Section 361, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 209, O.S.L. 1994 (82 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1085.30), which relates to water pollution; requiring certain information be promulgated by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board and enforced by all state agencies; requiring certain protocols be consistent with state and federal law; amending Section 16 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1841 of the 1st Session of the 47th Oklahoma Legislature, which relates to flood management; stating certain requirements for Department of Civil Emergency Management relating to rules governing certain funds; amending 2 O.S. 1991, Section 2-4, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 7, O.S.L. 1996, Section 248, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 26, Chapter 140, O.S.L. 1994, Section 249, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 27, Chapter 140, O.S.L. 1994, and Section 9-208, as last amended by Section 12, Chapter 404, O.S.L. 1998 (2 O.S. Supp. 1998, Sections 2-4, 3-71, 8-41.16, 8-68a and 9-208), which relate to the Department of Agriculture; correcting references to federal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and agriculture; removing reference to certain nonpoint source discharges; amending Section 11, Chapter 398, O.S.L. 1992, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993 (27A O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1-1-203), which relates to state environmental agencies; clarifying agency responsibility; Section 5, Chapter 398, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 158, O.S.L. 1996 (27A O.S. 1998, Section 1-1-204), which relates to state environmental agencies; clarifying agency responsibility; deleting obsolete language; amending 20, Chapter 398, O.S.L. 1992, as amended by Section 213, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993 (27A O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 3-2-107), which relates to the Conservation Commission; clarifying agency responsibility; deleting obsolete language; amending Section 19, Chapter 398, O.S.L. 1992 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 10.4), which

relates to the Governor's cabinet; clarifying agency responsibility; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.