

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1146

By: Balkman and Nance of the
House

and

Reynolds of the Senate

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Open Records Act;
requiring certain state environmental agencies and
public utilities to keep certain information
confidential; defining term; 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 24A.27 of Title 51, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any state environmental agency or public utility shall keep
confidential vulnerability assessments of critical assets in both
water and wastewater systems. State environmental agencies or
public utilities may use the information for internal purposes or
allow the information to be used for survey purposes only. The
state environmental agencies or public utilities shall allow any
public body to have access to the information for purposes
specifically related to the public bodies function.

B. For purposes of this section:

1. "State environmental agencies" includes the:

- a. Oklahoma Water Resources Board,
- b. Oklahoma Corporation Commission,
- c. State Department of Agriculture,
- d. Oklahoma Conservation Commission,
- e. Department of Wildlife Conservation,
- f. Department of Mines, and
- g. Department of Environmental Quality;

2. "Public Utility" means any individual, firm, association,
partnership, corporation or any combination thereof, municipal
corporations or their lessees, trustees and receivers, owning or
operating for compensation in this state equipment or facilities
for:

- a. producing, generating, transmitting, distributing, selling or furnishing electricity,
- b. the conveyance, transmission, reception or communications over a telephone system,
- c. transmitting directly or indirectly or distributing combustible hydrocarbon natural or synthetic natural gas for sale to the public, or
- d. the transportation, delivery or furnishing of water for domestic purposes or for power.

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.

Passed the House of Representatives the 28th day of April, 2003.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 9th day of April, 2003.

Presiding Officer of the Senate