ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2273

By: Benge and Newport of the House

and

Crutchfield and Rabon of the Senate

(Oklahoma Conservation Commission - appropriation - effective date - emergency)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Oklahoma Conservation Commission from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, the sum of _____ Dollars ($0.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Oklahoma Conservation Commission by law.

SECTION 2. The Oklahoma Conservation Commission is authorized to expend an amount not to exceed _____ Dollars ($0.00) from the Rural Economic Action Plan Water Projects Fund from the gross production tax, as apportioned by Section 1004 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to be transferred to the Small Watersheds Flood Control Fund ("200" Fund) created in Section 3-3-405 of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes for the purpose of performing the duties imposed upon the Oklahoma Conservation Commission by law.

SECTION 3. The Oklahoma Conservation Commission is authorized to expend an amount not to exceed _____ Dollars ($0.00) from the Rural Economic Action Plan Water Projects Fund from the gross production tax, as apportioned by Section 1004 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to be transferred to the Conservation Cost-Share

Fund ("210" Fund) created in Section 3-3-115 of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes for the purpose of performing the duties imposed upon the Oklahoma Conservation Commission by law.

SECTION 4. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, the Oklahoma Conservation Commission shall budget all funds in the following categories and amounts:

Category	Appropriation	Total
Administration	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Watershed Operation and Maintenance	0.00	0.00
Field Service	0.00	0.00
Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation	0.00	0.00
Water Quality/Wetlands	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	$0.00	$0.00

The agency shall develop outcome-based performance measures for each category.

SECTION 5. The duties and compensation of employees, not otherwise prescribed by law, necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Oklahoma Conservation Commission by law shall be set by the Executive Director of the Commission. The salary of the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission shall not exceed _____ Dollars ($0.00) per annum, payable monthly for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. The Oklahoma Conservation Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, shall be subject to the following budgetary limitations on full-time-equivalent employees and expenditures excluding expenditures for capital and special projects, except as may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 3603 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

Budgetary Limitation	Amount
Average Number of Full-time-equivalent Employees, Excluding Seasonal Employees and Project Labor	0.0

Lease-Purchase Agreements $0.00

SECTION 6. Of the full-time-equivalent employee positions authorized in this act, six (6) shall be filled contingent upon procurement of federal funds for the Abandoned Mine Lands Program and thirty-four (34) shall be filled contingent upon procurement of federal funds for the Water Quality 319 Program. Such full-time-equivalent employee positions supported by federal funds shall be terminated upon the discontinuation of federal funds. Such full-time-equivalent employee positions shall be unclassified and, except for leave regulations, shall be exempt from the rules of the Merit System of Personnel Administration.

SECTION 7. Appropriations made by this act, not including appropriations made for capital outlay purposes, may be budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 (hereafter FY-07) or may be budgeted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 (hereafter FY-08). Funds budgeted for FY-07 may be encumbered only through June 30, 2007, and must be expended by November 15, 2007. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2007, and not budgeted for FY-08, shall lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year. Funds budgeted for FY-08 may be encumbered only through June 30, 2008. Any funds remaining after November 15, 2008, shall lapse to the credit of the proper fund for the then current fiscal year. These appropriations may not be budgeted in both fiscal years simultaneously. Funds budgeted in FY-07, and not required to pay obligations for that fiscal year, may be budgeted for FY-08, after the agency to which the funds have been appropriated has prepared and submitted a budget work program revision removing these funds from the FY-07 budget work program and after such revision has been approved by the Office of State Finance.

SECTION 8. This act shall become effective July 1, 2006.

SECTION 9. 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 13th day of March, 2006.

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Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2006.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate