

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2604

By: DeWitt of the House

and

Shurden of the Senate

An Act relating to agriculture; amending 27A O.S. 2001, Section 1-3-103, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2004, and as renumbered by Section 4, Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2004 (2 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 2-18.2), which relates to National Pollution Discharge Elimination System; modifying duty of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 27A O.S. 2001, Section 1-3-103, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2004, and as renumbered by Section 4, Chapter 100, O.S.L. 2004 (2 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 2-18.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-18.2 The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry is hereby designated as an official environmental regulatory agency for agricultural point source and nonpoint source pollution within its jurisdiction as specified in subsection D of Section 1-3-101 of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes. The Department is hereby authorized and directed to ~~seek delegation~~ obtain authorization from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to administer any and all of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) programs for agricultural point and nonpoint source discharges within its specified jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

Passed the House of Representatives the 1st day of March, 2006.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2006.

Presiding Officer of the Senate