

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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Committee Substitute for
House Bill No. 3370

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3370 - By: PIATT AND MCNIEL
of the House.

An Act relating to waters and water rights; making the Oklahoma Water Resources Board responsible for contracting for the sale or exportation of stream water outside the state; directing the Board to establish amount and require payment for the water; specifying amount of the payment; requiring payments to be used for certain purposes; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma
2 Statutes as Section 82 of Title 1085.30b, unless there is created a duplication in
3 numbering, reads as follows:

4 If the sale or exportation of stream water outside the state is either required or is
5 approved by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board, the Board shall be the agency of the
6 state with the authority to contract for the sale or exportation of the water and shall
7 require payment for the water in an amount established by the Board. The payment
8 amount established by the Board for water sold or exported outside the state shall be
9 equivalent to the fair market value of the water. Any payments collected by the Board
10 from the sale or exportation of water outside the state shall be used by the Board for

1 water storage and control facility loans or grants, wastewater facility construction loans
2 or grants, drinking water treatment facility construction loans or grants, or any other
3 water infrastructure project loans or grants approved by the Board.

4 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public
5 peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof
6 this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, dated 03-05-
8 08 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.