

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT
TO
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 953

By: Myers and Halligan of the
Senate

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4 and

Watson of the House
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8 (energy - Oklahoma Clean Energy Independence
9 Commission - noncodification -

10 emergency)
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13 AUTHORS: Add the following House Coauthors: Sullivan and Scott
14 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the stricken title, enacting clause and
entire bill and insert
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16 "An Act relating to energy; stating legislative
17 finding; creating the Oklahoma Clean Energy
Independence Commission; stating membership;
18 requiring appointments by certain date; providing
19 termination date; providing for reports; providing
for assistance and donations; authorizing travel
20 reimbursement; providing for noncodification; and
declaring an emergency.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
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1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
2 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

3 A. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that the United
4 States is suffering greatly in the midst of an overall energy crisis
5 and immediate steps should be taken to support federal efforts to
6 address the energy needs of the citizens of this country. While the
7 State of Oklahoma alone cannot provide the resources required to
8 conduct a project on the scale necessary to solve every aspect of
9 this impending crisis, it is possible for our state to gather
10 together a dedicated group of Oklahomans with experience in a
11 variety of energy-related industries and utilize our state's
12 resources to make a significant contribution to the nation's efforts
13 to achieve a goal of clean energy independence within the next five
14 (5) years.

15 B. To implement the goals of this act, the Oklahoma Clean
16 Energy Independence Commission is hereby created. The Secretary of
17 Energy shall determine the number of members to be appointed to the
18 Commission, and one-third (1/3) of the total number shall be
19 appointed by the Governor, one-third (1/3) by the President Pro
20 Tempore of the Senate and one-third (1/3) by the Speaker of the
21 House of Representatives. Members appointed to the Commission shall
22 include, but not be limited to, representatives of:

23 1. Governmental agencies with energy-related responsibilities;
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1 2. Private energy industries, including traditional and
2 alternative technologies; and

3 3. Public and private state universities with an interest in
4 energy technologies.

5 The Commission shall be chaired by the Secretary of Energy, or
6 designee.

7 C. Members of the Commission shall be appointed no later than
8 July 1, 2009, and activities of the Commission may continue until
9 December 1, 2010. Reports may be issued as the Secretary of Energy
10 deems necessary and appropriate. The Secretary may seek assistance
11 for any services from state agencies or governmental entities and
12 donations of money or other resources may be accepted from any
13 person or private entity to assist the operations of the Commission,
14 provided such donations are otherwise allowed by law.

15 D. Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation
16 for their duties, but may receive reimbursement for necessary and
17 actual travel costs pursuant to the State Travel Reimbursement Act.
18 Such expenses shall be paid by the Office of the Governor.

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

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 14th day of April, 2009.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives
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6 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2009.

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