

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1692

By: Myers of the Senate

3 and

4 Watson of the House

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7 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Clean Energy
8 Independence Commission; amending Section 1, Chapter
9 173, O.S.L. 2009, which relates to the Oklahoma Clean
10 Energy Independence Commission; providing for
11 continuation of members; providing for vacancy
12 appointments; modifying termination date for
13 Commission activities; and declaring an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 173, O.S.L.

16 2009, is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 1. A. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that
18 the United States is suffering greatly in the midst of an overall
19 energy crisis and immediate steps should be taken to support federal
20 efforts to address the energy needs of the citizens of this country.
21 While the State of Oklahoma alone cannot provide the resources
22 required to conduct a project on the scale necessary to solve every
23 aspect of this impending crisis, it is possible for our state to
24 gather together a dedicated group of Oklahomans with experience in a
variety of energy-related industries and utilize our state's
resources to make a significant contribution to the nation's efforts

1 to achieve a goal of clean energy independence within the next five
2 (5) years.

3 B. To implement the goals of this act, the Oklahoma Clean
4 Energy Independence Commission is hereby created. The Secretary of
5 Energy shall determine the number of members to be appointed to the
6 Commission, and one-third (1/3) of the total number shall be
7 appointed by the Governor, one-third (1/3) by the President Pro
8 Tempore of the Senate and one-third (1/3) by the Speaker of the
9 House of Representatives. Members appointed to the Commission shall
10 include, but not be limited to, representatives of:

- 11 1. Governmental agencies with energy-related responsibilities;
- 12 2. Private energy industries, including traditional and
13 alternative technologies; and
- 14 3. Public and private state universities with an interest in
15 energy technologies.

16 The Commission shall be chaired by the Secretary of Energy, or a
17 designee appointed by the Governor. Members appointed prior to the
18 effective date of this act shall continue to serve until the
19 activities of the Commission are terminated. Vacancies on the
20 Commission shall be filled by the appointing authority.

21 C. Members of the Commission shall be appointed no later than
22 July 1, 2009, and activities of the Commission may continue until
23 ~~December 1, 2010~~ December 31, 2011. Reports may be issued as the
24 Secretary of Energy deems necessary and appropriate. The Secretary

1 may seek assistance for any services from state agencies or
2 governmental entities and donations of money or other resources may
3 be accepted from any person or private entity to assist the
4 operations of the Commission, provided such donations are otherwise
5 allowed by law.

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

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

14 Passed the Senate the 25th day of February, 2010.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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18 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
19 2010.

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