

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1788

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to waters and water rights; amending
8 82 O.S. 2001, Section 547, which relates to
9 irrigation districts; clarifying language; and
10 providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2001, Section 547, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 547. Districts may be formed under the provisions of
15 ~~this act~~ Section 531 et seq. of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes
16 for irrigation, or partly for irrigation, by a substantial
17 compliance with the terms as near as possible. But no such district
18 in its construction or operation shall in any manner interfere with
19 works for the prevention of floods, or the drainage of lands, or
20 materially diminish their protective value. And the court
21 organizing such irrigation district shall require a statement in the
22 petition and proof to the effect that the organization and operation
23 of the same will not materially interfere with any work or plans for
24 flood prevention, the drainage or protection of lands, or the flow

1 of waters covered by the terms of a contract. Nor shall any
2 improvement under this act deprive the owners of lands lying upon
3 any stream of water of the ordinary flow in said stream sufficient
4 for domestic and stock uses, without compensation therefor.

5 Subject to the above, the board of directors shall have the same
6 powers as are herein conferred generally by its provisions as far as
7 applicable.

8 Special assessments shall be levied and bonds issued as already
9 provided, using the words "Conservancy Special Assessments," or
10 "Conservancy Bonds."

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

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