

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 52nd Legislature (2010)

3 SENATE BILL 2183

By: Branan

4  
5  
6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Commissioners of the Land  
8 Office; requiring study of proposal to sell certain  
9 state lands; prohibiting sale of mineral rights;  
10 authorizing appointment of study group; providing for  
11 administrative assistance; requiring report by  
12 certain date; directing distribution; providing for  
13 noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
16 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

17 A. In an effort to increase the value to the state from  
18 properties under the management of the Commissioners of the Land  
19 Office, the Oklahoma Legislature directs the Secretary of the  
20 Commission to study the possibility that it may be in the public  
21 interest for the Legislature to authorize the Commissioners of the  
22 Land Office to sell some sections of land under their control,  
23 however, retaining any mineral rights on behalf of the state, which  
24 could result in such properties being added to the property tax  
rolls of the various counties and providing interested citizens the

1 opportunity to farm and develop the surface property in ways that  
2 may provide greater benefit to all the citizens of this state.

3 B. The Oklahoma Legislature hereby directs the Secretary of the  
4 Commissioners of the Land Office to undertake a study of the  
5 proposal outlined in subsection A of this section, and prepare a  
6 report along with legislative recommendations as the Secretary deems  
7 necessary if the Secretary determines such proposal could benefit  
8 the citizens of this state.

9 C. The Secretary is authorized to solicit information from any  
10 persons or entities or appoint any group of persons he deems  
11 appropriate to assist him in fulfilling the requirements of this  
12 act. State agencies or employees are authorized to assist the  
13 Secretary in this study or preparation of the report as necessary.

14 D. The report and any legislative recommendations shall be  
15 distributed to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate  
16 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than  
17 December 1, 2010.

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

22

23 52-2-3220 MJM 2/3/2010 8:16:56 PM

24