

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 1959

By: Jolley, Justice, Paddock  
and Sparks of the Senate

and

Sears, Martin (Scott),  
Roan, Dorman, Bennett,  
Walker and McDaniel  
(Jeannie) of the House

An Act relating to revenue and taxation; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 1004, which relates to apportionment of gross production taxes; modifying apportionment of certain revenues; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Apportionment of gross production tax revenue

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 1004, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1004. A. Beginning July 1, 2002, the gross production tax provided for in Section 1001 of this title is hereby levied and shall be collected and apportioned as follows:

1. For all monies collected from the tax levied on asphalt or ores bearing uranium, lead, zinc, jack, gold, silver or copper:

- a. eighty-five and seventy-two one-hundredths percent (85.72%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer of the state to be placed in the General Revenue Fund of the

state and used for the general expense of state government, to be paid out pursuant to direct appropriation by the Legislature,

- b. seven and fourteen one-hundredths percent (7.14%) of the sum collected from natural gas and/or casinghead gas or asphalt or ores bearing uranium, lead, zinc, jack, gold, silver or copper shall be paid to the various county treasurers to be credited to the County Highway Fund as follows: Each county shall receive a proportionate share of the funds available based upon the proportion of the total value of production from such county in the corresponding month of the preceding year, and
- c. seven and fourteen one-hundredths percent (7.14%) shall be allocated to each county as provided for in subparagraph b of this paragraph and shall be apportioned, on an average daily attendance per capita distribution basis, as certified by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to the school districts of the county where such pupils attend school regardless of residence of such pupil, provided the school district makes an ad valorem tax levy of fifteen (15) mills for the current year and maintains twelve (12) years of instruction;

2. For all monies collected from the tax levied on natural gas and/or casinghead gas at a tax rate of seven percent (7%) pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of Section 1001 of this title:

- a. eighty-five and seventy-two one-hundredths percent (85.72%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer of the state to be placed in the General Revenue Fund of the state and used for the general expense of state government, to be paid out pursuant to direct appropriation by the Legislature,
- b. seven and fourteen one-hundredths percent (7.14%) of the sum collected from natural gas and/or casinghead gas shall be paid to the various county treasurers to be credited to the County Highway Fund as follows:

Each county shall receive a proportionate share of the funds available based upon the proportion of the total value of production from such county in the corresponding month of the preceding year, and

- c. seven and fourteen one-hundredths percent (7.14%) shall be allocated to each county as provided for in subparagraph b of this paragraph and shall be apportioned, on an average daily attendance per capita distribution basis, as certified by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to the school districts of the county where such pupils attend school regardless of residence of such pupil, provided the school district makes an ad valorem tax levy of fifteen (15) mills for the current year and maintains twelve (12) years of instruction;

3. For all monies collected from the tax levied on natural gas and/or casinghead gas at a tax rate of four percent (4%) pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of Section 1001 of this title:

- a. seventy-five percent (75%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer of the state to be placed in the General Revenue Fund of the state and used for the general expense of state government, to be paid out pursuant to direct appropriation by the Legislature,
- b. twelve and one-half percent (12.5%) of the sum collected from natural gas and/or casinghead gas shall be paid to the various county treasurers to be credited to the County Highway Fund as follows: Each county shall receive a proportionate share of the funds available based upon the proportion of the total value of production from such county in the corresponding month of the preceding year, and
- c. twelve and one-half percent (12.5%) shall be allocated to each county as provided for in subparagraph b of this paragraph and shall be apportioned, on an average daily attendance per capita distribution basis, as certified by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to the school districts of the county

where such pupils attend school regardless of residence of such pupil, provided the school district makes an ad valorem tax levy of fifteen (15) mills for the current year and maintains twelve (12) years of instruction;

4. For all monies collected from the tax levied on natural gas and/or casinghead gas at a tax rate of one percent (1%) pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of Section 1001 of this title:

- a. fifty percent (50%) of the sum collected from natural gas and/or casinghead gas shall be paid to the various county treasurers to be credited to the County Highway Fund as follows: Each county shall receive a proportionate share of the funds available based upon the proportion of the total value of production from such county in the corresponding month of the preceding year, and
- b. fifty percent (50%) shall be allocated to each county as provided for in subparagraph a of this paragraph and shall be apportioned, on an average daily attendance per capita distribution basis, as certified by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to the school districts of the county where such pupils attend school regardless of residence of such pupil, provided the school district makes an ad valorem tax levy of fifteen (15) mills for the current year and maintains twelve (12) years of instruction;

5. For all monies collected from the tax levied on oil at a tax rate of seven percent (7%) pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of Section 1001 of this title:

- a. twenty-five and seventy-two one-hundredths percent (25.72%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be placed in the Common Education Technology Revolving Fund created in Section ~~41.29~~ 34.90 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- b. twenty-five and seventy-two one-hundredths percent (25.72%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be

placed in the Higher Education Capital Revolving Fund created in Section ~~41.29d~~ 34.91 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

- c. twenty-five and seventy-two one-hundredths percent (25.72%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be placed in the Oklahoma Tuition Scholarship Revolving Fund created in Section ~~41.29e~~ 34.92 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- d. three and seven hundred forty-five one-thousandths percent (3.745%) shall be distributed to the various counties of the state for deposit into the County Bridge and Road Improvement Fund of each county based on a formula developed by the Department of Transportation and approved by the Department of Transportation County Advisory Board created pursuant to Section 302.1 of Title 69 of the Oklahoma Statutes to be used for the purposes set forth in the County Bridge and Road Improvement Act. The formula shall be similar to the formula currently used for the distribution of monies in the County Bridge Program funds, but shall also take into consideration the effect of the terrain and traffic volume as related to county road improvement and maintenance costs,
- e. four and twenty-eight one-hundredths percent (4.28%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be apportioned to:
  - (1) the following sources and in the following amounts through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014:
    - (a) thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) to the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department Capital Expenditure Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 2254.1 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
    - (b) thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) to the Oklahoma Conservation Commission

Infrastructure Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 3-2-110 of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, and

(c) thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) to the Community Water Infrastructure Development Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 1085.7A of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and

(2) the Oklahoma Water Resources Board Rural Economic Action Plan Water Projects Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and for each fiscal year thereafter,

- f. seven and fourteen one-hundredths percent (7.14%) of the sum collected from oil shall be paid to the various county treasurers, to be credited to the County Highway Fund as follows: Each county shall receive a proportionate share of the funds available based upon the proportion of the total value of production from such county in the corresponding month of the preceding year,
- g. seven and fourteen one-hundredths percent (7.14%) shall be allocated to each county as provided in subparagraph f of this paragraph and shall be apportioned, on an average daily attendance per capita distribution basis, as certified by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to the school districts of the county where such pupils attend school regardless of residence of such pupil, provided the school district makes an ad valorem tax levy of fifteen (15) mills for the current year and maintains twelve (12) years of instruction, and
- h. five hundred thirty-five one-thousandths percent (0.535%) of the levy shall be transmitted by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to the Statewide Circuit Engineering District Revolving Fund as created in Section 687.2 of Title 69 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

6. For all monies collected from the tax levied on oil at a tax rate of four percent (4%) pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of Section 1001 of this title:

- a. twenty-two and one-half percent (22.5%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be placed in the Common Education Technology Revolving Fund created in Section ~~41.29e~~ 34.90 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- b. twenty-two and one-half percent (22.5%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be placed in the Higher Education Capital Revolving Fund created in Section ~~41.29d~~ 34.91 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- c. twenty-two and one-half percent (22.5%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be placed in the Oklahoma Tuition Scholarship Revolving Fund created in Section ~~41.29e~~ 34.92 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- d. three and twenty-eight one-hundredths percent (3.28%) shall be distributed to the various counties of the state for deposit into the County Bridge and Road Improvement Fund of each county based on a formula developed by the Department of Transportation and approved by the Department of Transportation County Advisory Board created pursuant to Section 302.1 of Title 69 of the Oklahoma Statutes to be used for the purposes set forth in the County Bridge and Road Improvement Act. The formula shall be similar to the formula currently used for the distribution of monies in the County Bridge Program funds, but shall also take into consideration the effect of the terrain and traffic volume as related to county road improvement and maintenance costs,
- e. three and seventy-five one-hundredths percent (3.75%) shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be apportioned to:
  - (1) the following sources and in the following amounts through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014:

- (a) thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) to the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department Capital Expenditure Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 2254.1 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
  - (b) thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) to the Oklahoma Conservation Commission Infrastructure Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 3-2-110 of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, and
  - (c) thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) to the Community Water Infrastructure Development Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 1085.7A of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and
- (2) the Oklahoma Water Resources Board Rural Economic Action Plan Water Projects Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and for each fiscal year thereafter,
- f. twelve and one-half percent (12.5%) of the sum collected from oil shall be paid to the various county treasurers, to be credited to the County Highway Fund as follows: Each county shall receive a proportionate share of the funds available based upon the proportion of the total value of production from such county in the corresponding month of the preceding year,
  - g. twelve and one-half percent (12.5%) shall be allocated to each county as provided in subparagraph f of this paragraph and shall be apportioned on an average daily attendance per capita distribution basis, as certified by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to the school districts of the county where such pupils attend school regardless of residence of such pupil, provided the school district makes an ad valorem tax levy of fifteen (15) mills for the current year and maintains twelve (12) years of instruction, and

- h. forty-seven one-hundredths percent (0.47%) of the levy shall be transmitted by the Tax Commission to the Statewide Circuit Engineering District Revolving Fund as created in Section 687.2 of Title 69 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

7. For all monies collected from the tax levied on oil at a tax rate of one percent (1%) pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of Section 1001 of this title:

- a. fifty percent (50%) of the sum collected shall be paid to the various county treasurers, to be credited to the County Highway Fund as follows: Each county shall receive a proportionate share of the funds available based upon the proportion of the total value of production from such county in the corresponding month of the preceding year, and
- b. fifty percent (50%) shall be allocated to each county as provided for in subparagraph a of this paragraph and shall be apportioned on an average daily attendance per capita distribution basis, as certified by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to the school districts of the county where such pupils attend school regardless of residence of such pupil, provided the school district makes an ad valorem tax levy of fifteen (15) mills for the current year and maintains twelve (12) years of instruction.

B. Provided, notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the total amounts deposited to the Common Education Technology Revolving Fund, the Higher Education Capital Revolving Fund, the Oklahoma Tuition Scholarship Revolving Fund, the Rural Economic Action Plan Water Projects Fund, the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department Capital Expenditure Revolving Fund, the Oklahoma Conservation Commission Infrastructure Revolving Fund and the Community Water Infrastructure Development Revolving Fund pursuant to paragraphs 5 and 6 of subsection A of this section shall not exceed One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$150,000,000.00) in any fiscal year. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all sums in excess of One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars

~~(\$150,000,000.00) in any fiscal year which would otherwise be deposited in such funds shall be placed by the State Treasurer in apportioned by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to the General Revenue Fund of the state. Amounts which would otherwise be placed by the State Treasurer in the General Revenue Fund for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2011, pursuant to this subsection, shall be deposited or transferred by the State Treasurer as follows:~~

~~1. Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) to the Ad Valorem Reimbursement Fund created pursuant to Section 193 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes for the purpose of reimbursing counties for school districts that claim a loss of revenue due to a tax exemption granted pursuant to the provisions of Section 6B of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution; and~~

~~2. Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Revolving Fund for the purposes of the education and general operating budgets of the institutions and for other programs, construction, renovations or repairs administered by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education;~~

~~3. One Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,400,000.00) to the State Career-Technology Fund; and~~

~~4. All funds except those deposited pursuant to paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this subsection to the General Revenue Fund of the state. Provided, amounts which would otherwise be apportioned by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to the General Revenue Fund for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2012, pursuant to this subsection, shall be apportioned as follows:~~

~~1. Thirty-seven Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$37,600,000.00) to the State Department of Education disbursing fund authorized by the Office of State Finance pursuant to the provisions of Section 34.48 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to be used for the purpose of funding the certified employee and support personnel health benefit allowance;~~

~~2. Fourteen Million Eight Hundred Forty-five Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$14,845,700.00) to the State Department of Education disbursing fund authorized by the Office of State Finance pursuant to the provisions of Section 34.48 of Title 62 of the~~

Oklahoma Statutes, to be used for the purpose of providing bonuses to teachers who have achieved National Board certification, to school psychologists who have been designated as Nationally Certified School Psychologists by the National School Psychology Certification Board, and to speech-language pathologists and audiologists who hold a Certificate of Clinical Competence awarded by the American Speech-Language Hearing Association, pursuant to the Education Leadership Oklahoma Act;

3. Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) to the Department of Public Safety Patrol Academy Revolving Fund created in Section 2-146 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

4. One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) to the Chief Medical Examiner Revolving Fund created in Section 954 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

5. Thirty-four Million One Hundred Forty-five Thousand Seven Hundred Six Dollars (\$34,145,706.00) to the State Emergency Fund created in Section 139.42 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

6. All funds except those deposited pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs 1 through 5 of this subsection to the General Revenue Fund.

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

Passed the Senate the 1st day of March, 2012.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of March, 2012.

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