

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 27, 2012

3 As Amended

4 SENATE BILL NO. 1327

5 By: Crain of the Senate

6 and

7 Richardson of the House

8 **[water conservation - recommendation to the**
9 **Legislature - noncodification -**
10 **emergency]**

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

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

15 The most recent update to the Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan
16 (OCWP) adopted by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board in 2011,
17 studied in detail projections of forecasted water shortages that may
18 occur in this state in the next fifty (50) years and made
19 recommendations relating to water conservation, efficiency,
20 recycling and reuse to avoid water shortages and costly development
21 of new water supplies and infrastructure.

22 In analyzing various methods of conservation, efficiency,
23 recycling and reuse the OCWP used two scenarios, one considering
24 moderate levels of conservation (Scenario I) and the other more

1 substantial levels of conservation (Scenario II), both of which
2 demonstrated the feasibility and costs of achieving significant
3 reductions in future demands for water. The OCWP analysis indicates
4 that full implementation of Scenario I would reduce water demands in
5 the year 2060 to levels approaching the projected levels in the year
6 2020.

7 The Legislature hereby directs the Oklahoma Water Resources
8 Board to make full legislative recommendations necessary to promote
9 and implement methods to conserve future water demands using the
10 Scenario I methods analyzed in the OCWP. The Board shall report
11 such recommendations to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of
12 the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later
13 than December 31, 2012.

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

18 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, dated 2-16-12 - DO PASS,
19 As Amended and Coauthored.
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