

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2497

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to oil and gas; requiring an
8 applicant for drilling oil or gas wells to provide
9 notice to the board of county commissioners of
10 certain counties; specifying the type of notice;
11 providing for application of law; providing for
12 codification; providing an effective date; and
13 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 to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 155 of Title 52, unless there is
17 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. The Corporation Commission shall require an applicant
19 seeking approval for drilling any type of oil or gas well or for
20 drilling or converting an underground injection well, disposal well,
21 or commercial disposal well, as a prerequisite to approval of the
22 application, to notify the board of county commissioners of the
23 county in which the well or drilling activity is to be located and
24 the board of county commissioners of any county contiguous to the

1 well or drilling activity, whose roads and bridges are to be used to
2 provide access to the proposed well or the proposed activity.

3 B. The applicant shall notify the applicable boards of county
4 commissioners by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the
5 proposed well or drilling activity. The notice shall be mailed not
6 less than fourteen (14) days prior to approval of the application.

7 C. The provisions of this section shall apply to any
8 application submitted to the Commission on or after July 1, 2012,
9 and to any application submitted before July 1, 2012, for which a
10 permit has not been issued.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2012.

12 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
13 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
14 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
15 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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