

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 SENATE BILL 621

By: Justice

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state energy agencies;
8 consolidating duties and functions of the Oklahoma
9 Bioenergy Center into the Oklahoma Energy Initiative;
10 transferring duties, obligations and funding to
11 certain agency; authorizing promulgation of rules;
12 repealing 74 O.S. 2011, Sections 5009.11, 5009.12,
13 5009.13, 5009.14, 5009.15 and 5009.16, as amended by
14 Section 1026, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp.
15 2012, Section 5009.16), which relate to the Oklahoma
16 Bioenergy Center; providing for noncodification;
17 providing an effective date and declaring an
18 emergency.

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

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

22 A. The Oklahoma Energy Initiative (OEI) was established in 2012
23 to create, advance and promote new and existing energy research and
24 development efforts related to Oklahoma's core energy competencies.
The OEI will foster communication between state and federal
governmental agencies, institutions of higher education, nonprofit
research institutions, and private entities located throughout this
state and as part of the various efforts and duties, the OEI will

1 promote advanced biofuels research and development similar to the
2 efforts of the Oklahoma Bioenergy Center. Therefore the provisions
3 of this act will consolidate the duties and functions of the
4 Oklahoma Bioenergy Center, created pursuant to Section 5009.12 et
5 seq of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes which was enacted in 2007,
6 into the OEI to help streamline the efforts to further develop the
7 biofuel industry in this state and our nation.

8 B. Any outstanding contracts, financial obligations or income
9 owning to the Oklahoma Bioenergy Center and funds remaining in the
10 Oklahoma Bioenergy Center Revolving Fund, established pursuant to
11 Section 5009.16 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall be
12 transferred upon the effective date of this act to the Oklahoma
13 Energy Initiative and funds shall be deposited into the Oklahoma
14 Energy Initiative Revolving Fund, created pursuant to Section 802.4
15 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

16 C. The Oklahoma Energy Initiative is authorized to promulgate
17 any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

18 SECTION 2. REPEALER 74 O.S. 2011, Sections 5009.11,
19 5009.12, 5009.13, 5009.14, 5009.15 and 5009.16, as amended by
20 Section 1026, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp. 2012, Section
21 5009.16), are hereby repealed.

22 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2013.

23 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
24 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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