

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED  
5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2651

By: Scott and Morrissette of  
the House

6 and

7 Griffin of the Senate

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10 An Act relating to oil and gas; amending 52 O.S.  
11 2011, Section 86.2, which relates to waste and water  
12 protection; requiring agencies to encourage  
13 industrial use of certain produced water; and  
14 updating statutory reference.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 52 O.S. 2011, Section 86.2, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 86.2. A. The term "waste", as applied to the  
19 production of oil, in addition to its ordinary meaning, shall  
20 include economic waste, underground waste, including water  
21 encroachment in the oil or gas bearing strata; the use of reservoir  
22 energy for oil producing purposes by means or methods that  
23 unreasonably interfere with obtaining from the common source of  
24 supply the largest ultimate recovery of oil; surface waste and waste

1 incident to the production of oil in excess of transportation or  
2 marketing facilities or reasonable market demands. The production  
3 of oil in the State of Oklahoma in such manner and under such  
4 conditions as to constitute waste, ~~as in this act~~ defined in Section  
5 86.1 et seq. of this title, is hereby prohibited, and the  
6 Corporation Commission shall have authority, and is charged with the  
7 duty, to make rules, regulations, and orders for the prevention of  
8 such waste, and for the protection of all fresh water strata and oil  
9 or gas bearing strata encountered in any well drilled for oil or  
10 gas.

11 B. Provided, the Commission shall work in conjunction with the  
12 Secretary of Energy and Environment, the Oklahoma Water Resources  
13 Board and the Department of Environmental Quality to encourage  
14 industrial use of water produced in oil and natural gas operations.

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