

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 1413

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8 An Act relating to renewable energy; amending 17 O.S.
9 2011, Sections 801.2 and 801.5, which relate to
10 renewable energy standards; modifying certain
11 renewable energy standards; and declaring an
12 emergency.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 17 O.S. 2011, Section 801.2, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 801.2. It is the goal of the State of Oklahoma to
17 reduce the dependence of Oklahoma and the United States on foreign
18 oil, to improve the security of the United States in the world and
19 to improve the economic well-being of the citizens of Oklahoma. The
20 Legislature hereby expresses its intent to take steps to increase
21 the energy independence of the United States by increasing the use
22 of domestic energy and renewable energy sources in Oklahoma, expand
23 development of domestic energy and renewable energy production and
24 increase the ability to export Oklahoma's domestic energy and

1 renewable energy resources without the use of state tax credits and
2 subsidies to the rest of the United States.

3 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 17 O.S. 2011, Section 801.5, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 801.5. A. The Legislature declares that it is in the
6 public interest to promote natural gas energy development in order
7 to take advantage of our state's vast natural gas resources and its
8 compatibility with wind energy.

9 B. ~~It is further declared the intent of the Legislature to~~ The
10 Corporation Commission shall promote natural gas energy development
11 in this state by establishing a natural gas energy standard ~~to~~
12 ~~increase~~ of seventy-five percent (75%) of all installed capacity of
13 electricity generation within the state by the year 2020 be
14 generated from the increased use of natural gas as an electricity
15 generation fuel.

16 C. There is hereby established a natural gas energy standard of
17 seventy-five percent (75%) by the year 2020 to supplement the
18 increased volume of renewable energy and to capitalize on the
19 state's abundant natural gas resources. The natural gas energy
20 standard shall be achieved by declaring natural gas as the preferred
21 choice of electric generation for new ~~fossil-fuel~~ electricity
22 generating facilities in this state after the effective date of this
23 act through January 1, 2020.

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1 D. Beginning January 1, 2011, through January 1, 2020, it is
2 the intent of the state that new ~~fossil-fuel~~ electricity generating
3 facilities and added capacity to existing ~~fossil-fuel~~ electricity
4 generating facilities built in this state be powered by natural gas.
5 Any electricity generating entity in the state choosing a ~~fossil~~
6 ~~fuel~~ source other than ~~natural-gas~~ fossil fuels may provide evidence
7 to the Corporation Commission, or other appropriate regulatory body
8 of those entities not regulated by the Commission, that the fossil
9 fuel source chosen by such entity is in the best interest of this
10 state's electric consumers.

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

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