

An Act relating to wind energy; amending 17 O.S. 2011, Sections 160.12, 160.13, 160.14, 160.15, 160.16 and 160.18, which relate to the Oklahoma Wind Energy Development Act, legislative findings, definitions, decommissioning of wind energy facilities, required filings, evidence of financial security, the duty to provide certain statements and information, inspection of certain records, reports to the corporation commission, and required insurance; modifying legislative findings concerning prudent wind energy development; clarifying definitions; deleting exception for wind energy facilities on an owner's property; requiring the owner of a wind energy facility to post a bond with the Secretary of State and specifying purposes and amount; requiring financial security sufficient to cover the entire cost of decommissioning of the wind energy facility; clarifying administrative penalty; expanding application to all wind energy facilities in the state; clarifying information required in certain statements to certain lessors of land; clarifying contents of report with regard to the location of wind energy facilities; prohibiting construction of wind energy facilities in certain locations; requiring permit from county commissioners and specifying requirements for permits; requiring permit from municipality, if any, and specifying requirements for permits; and providing an effective date.