

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 744

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to oil and gas; authorizing
8 Corporation Commission to establish program to land
9 apply certain oil and natural gas drilling fluids and
10 solid wastes; requiring Commission to set certain
11 standards; stating requirements for equipment;
authorizing Commission to promulgate rules and
implement certain fee; providing for codification;
providing for noncodification; and providing an
effective date.

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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 296.2 of Title 52, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. The Corporation Commission is authorized to establish a
19 program to permit land owners to apply water-based drilling fluids
20 and associated solid waste resulting from oil or natural gas
21 exploration to land deemed appropriate for such application.

22 B. The Commission shall require that:

23 1. Land application of such waste shall be performed using a
24 real-time, computer-controlled discharge system with specified

1 parameters to ensure that such application shall not exceed criteria
2 established by the Commission, and such system shall be capable of
3 recording and generating reports of the discharge rate and vehicle
4 speed and any other data as required by the Commission;

5 2. Input parameters shall include the waste characteristics and
6 preconfigured maximum application rate;

7 3. Loading rates shall be determined by pretesting of the soils
8 from the discharge property, in conjunction with waste
9 characterization of the material at the time of application; and

10 4. The discharge system shall be capable of mapping all
11 property boundaries and tracking all discharge areas in Global
12 Positioning System data and in real-time to ensure the cumulative
13 discharge of waste on any portion of the land application area does
14 not exceed parameters established by the Commission.

15 C. Each disposal site utilized under the provisions of this act
16 shall be used for land application of waste from a single well.

17 D. If a land owner applies for authorization for subsequent
18 land application of waste as authorized by this section, the
19 applicant shall first be required to prove to the Commission's
20 satisfaction that soil levels of the previously utilized land are
21 suitable for additional waste application.

22 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
23 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:
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1 The Corporation Commission is authorized to promulgate rules,
2 including pretesting and posttesting soil requirements, implement
3 fees as necessary to cover the cost of land application of waste
4 permitting, and any other requirement deemed necessary by the
5 Commission to implement the provisions of this act.

6 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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