

BILL SUMMARY
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Research Analysis

The Senate amendments to HB 1910 delete language related to the Okla. Water Resources Board's ability to issue an emergency order requiring remedial action without notice and hearing if imminent danger exists that a well, boring or pump will cause pollution to water resources.

HB 1910 authorizes the OWRB to test for, issue and regulate licenses and operator certifications and to inspect certain wells or boreholes. The measure authorizes OWRB to inspect any water well, monitoring well, boring, water well pump or abandoned well and borehole by entering upon the premises upon consent of the landowner or as allowed by district court. It authorizes the agency to prohibit use of a well until it is brought into compliance, and it also reduces the expenditure cap of the Well Drillers and Pump Installer Remedial Action Indemnity Fund from \$15,000 to \$10,000 for each well, borehole or pump for which action is taken. The measure authorizes the OWRB to issue orders prohibiting actions by license and certification holders and to present to the Attorney General for collection or action those matters in which a respondent fails, refuses or neglects to comply with the OWRB order to pay an administrative penalty or take a particular action. It directs the AG to deposit one-half of the penalties collected in the Well Drillers and Pump Installers Regulation Account and one-half in the AG's Revolving Fund.

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Fiscal Analysis

SA to HB 1910 would have no state fiscal impact.

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Other Considerations

None