HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 468

By: Marlatt of the Senate

and

Calvey of the House

An Act relating to oil and gas; stating procedures for taking private property by certain municipalities, counties or political subdivisions under certain conditions relating to oil and gas operations; repealing 52 O.S. 2011, Section 137, which relates to certain powers of cities and towns relating to certain oil and gas exploration; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 137.2 of Title 52, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Whenever a municipality, county or other political subdivision, other than the Corporation Commission, adopts or implements an ordinance, resolution, rule, regulation or other form of official policy concerning oil and gas operations that has the effect of: (1) interfering with the use and enjoyment of the mineral estate, as

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defined in Section 802 of Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes, (2)
imposing or enforcing a limitation that adversely impacts the use
and development of minerals by substantially increasing the costs of
the oil and gas operations, or thereby substantially reducing the
fair market value of the mineral estate, or (3) prohibiting access
to develop the mineral estate, it shall be considered a taking
pursuant to Article 2 of the Oklahoma Constitution and relevant
statutes. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any
ordinance, resolution, rule, regulation or other form of official
policy adopted or implemented prior to December 31, 2014.

SECTION 2. REPEALER 52 O.S. 2011, Section 137, is hereby repealed.

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

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COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL LAW, dated 04/07/2015 - DO PASS.

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