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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President:
Mr. Speaker:

The Conference Committee, to which was referred

HB1116

By: Cleveland of the House and Standridge of the Senate

Title: Prisons and reformatories; authorizing the Department of Corrections to enter into an agreement for purposes of selling certain groundwater; codification; emergency,

Together with Engrossed Senate Amendments thereto, beg leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and herewith return the same with the following recommendations:

1. That the Senate recede from its amendments; and
2. That the attached Conference Committee Substitute be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

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1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
4 SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR ENGROSSED
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1116

7 By: Cleveland of the House of
8 Representatives

9 and

10 Standridge and Sparks of
11 the Senate

12 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

13 An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
14 authorizing the Department of Corrections to
15 negotiate and enter into an agreement with a public
16 nonprofit rural water district for purposes of
17 selling certain groundwater; stating additional
18 purposes of agreement; specifying terms of agreement;
19 requiring certain reservation of right; providing
20 certain limitations on the amendment of the
21 groundwater use permit; providing for codification;
22 and declaring an emergency.

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

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
25 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 555.1 of Title 57, unless there
26 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. The Department of Corrections is authorized to negotiate and
2 enter into a water purchase agreement and execute necessary
3 easements with a public nonprofit rural water district organized
4 under the Rural Water, Sewer, Gas and Solid Waste Management
5 Districts Act for purposes of selling at cost groundwater found
6 beneath real property owned by the Department, on which the
7 Lexington Assessment and Reception Center and the Joseph Harp
8 Correctional Center at Lexington, Oklahoma, are located, and for
9 granting permission to the Department to amend the groundwater use
10 permit the Department holds from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board
11 to allow for use as a public water supply in Cleveland County. The
12 term of the water purchase agreement and easement shall be for not
13 less than forty (40) years from the first date of delivery of water
14 and as long as the groundwater is being put to a beneficial use.
15 Any agreement entered into for the sale of water shall include a
16 reserved right of usage by the Oklahoma Department of Corrections.

1 B. Any amendment of the groundwater use permit as authorized by
2 subsection A of this section shall be obtained from the Oklahoma
3 Water Resources Board and shall not exceed the proportionate part of
4 the maximum annual yield of groundwater allocated to each acre of
5 land overlying the groundwater basin or subbasin as established by
6 the Board.

2 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
3 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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