

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	SB 492
Version:	ENGR
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Impact:	DEQ: FY 18: Possible impact based on participation.

Research Analysis

SB 492 empowers DEQ to cooperate and consult with tribal governments, in addition to other entities already listed in statute, when identifying opportunities to prevent and control new and existing sources of air pollution, as well as encourages voluntary cooperation by tribal governments to restore and preserve air quality. The measure also requires DEQ to include comments from tribal governments when corresponding with EPA about the Clean Air Act.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure requires the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to seek and include any response submitted to the agency by any of Oklahoma's federally-recognized tribal governments in connection with agency communications to the federal government on air quality-related issues.

The DEQ must reply to all correspondence with the federal government on all air-related issues. Seeking and including input from up to 39 tribes on every air-related contact has the potential to be highly resource-intensive, and will cause significant delays. It is not possible to estimate a fiscal impact, due to levels of interest and participation.

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Other Considerations

None.