

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB 1080</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>ENGR</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Speaker McCall</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>5/21/2019</b>
<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Dept. Of Mines: \$92,500- \$95,000</b>
	<b>OK Water Resources Board: \$0 anticipated</b>
	<b>Dept. of Environmental Quality: Direct fiscal impact is minimal.</b>

**Research Analysis**

SB 1080 corrects a scrivener's error in Section 3 (C)(3) of HB 2471, which was signed into law on May 13 and is effective November 1. The House measure establishes a moratorium on mine operations, new mining permits, and amending existing permits of mines that overlie sensitive sole source groundwater basins or subbasins. The measure lays out conditions for the termination of the moratorium, including a coordinated effort between the Oklahoma Water Resources Board, the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Mines, East Central University, and federal and tribal governmental agencies to study sensitive sole source aquifers and develop administrative rules that implement study findings and facilitate interagency coordination. The moratorium on amending an existing permit sunsets on November 1, 2030.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The measure relates to the Oklahoma Department of Mines, and clarifies certain Oklahoma Water Resources Board requirements.

After analysis, the Department of Mines anticipates the ability to interact with all other agencies and parties affected the technical requirements for monitoring and enforcement, the agency will have the need to hire one (1) FTE at approximately \$80,000 plus benefits for a hydrologist or an engineer. Additional costs anticipated, include an estimated \$10,000 for operational equipment, and lastly, the required water sampling will have an impact of conservatively, \$2,500 annually.

The Oklahoma Water Resources Board anticipates \$0 fiscal impact from this measure.

The measure as written has a minimal direct fiscal impact to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The agency would be impacted with staff time requirements for coordination, consultation, and rulemaking.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

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