

**Bill Summary**  
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**Committee Substitute (CS)**

SB 1003 creates the Oklahoma Environmental, Health and Safety Audit Privilege Act. The measure defines “environmental or health and safety audit” to be a systematic voluntary evaluation of compliance with environmental or health and safety laws or with any permit issued under an environmental or health and safety law conducted by a person associated with a regulated facility or operation.

The CS outlines the contents of the audit report required by the measure and requires the report to be completed within six months unless an extension is approved by the regulatory entity. The CS further states that the contents of the audit report are privileged and shall not be subject to discovery in administrative, criminal, or civil proceedings unless the owner or operator waives the privilege. The contents of the report may be disclosed if a corrective action is needed or if the confidentiality agreement allows for such a disclosure. The courts may require the disclosure of all or parts of the report under certain circumstances outlined in the CS. The CS also requires the court to suppress material that is disclosed without authorization.

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