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Bill Analysis

SB 1270 recreates the Red River Boundary Commission, which shall be comprised of the Attorney General and a designee of the Governor. Members of the Commission shall serve without receiving additional compensation, but Legislative members or state employees may receive travel reimbursements. The chair shall be jointly appointed by the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House.

The Commission is directed to evaluate the methods used to establish the boundary between Oklahoma and Texas in the Texoma Area as well as determine the location of the south bank of the Red River as the bank was located and marked by the United States Army Corps of Engineers before the beginning of construction of Lake Texoma. The Commission is also charged with redrawing the boundary between Oklahoma and Texas on any real property for which the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers granted an easement, prior to August 21, 2000, to authorities charged with the construction, operation, and maintenance of a water pipeline and related facilities in the Texoma Area. The Commission must report to the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House no later than January 15, 2022. The final report must be provided no later than July 30, 2025.

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Fiscal Analysis

FY'21 Impact: Minimal

Full Year Impact: Minimal

SB 1270 re-creates the Red River Boundary Commission, which will include of a member from the House and Senate. There will be certain minimal travel reimbursement and staffing costs with the Commission.

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