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## **Bill Analysis**

The CCS on SB 998 removes the descriptor "fresh" as it applies to groundwater regulated by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board. The measure provides that the taking and use of marginal water in accordance with the Oklahoma Groundwater Law and the rules of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) shall be considered a beneficial use and not waste. The OWRB is directed by the measure to promulgate and implement rules for the taking and use of marginal water. Such use of marginal water may not impair the use of fresh water basins.

## **Conference Committee Report**

The CCS on SB 998 substitutes the engrossed measure with the provisions described above and restores Title on the measure.

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