OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

June 7, 2022

Mr. President:
Mr. Speaker:

The Conference Committee, to which was referred

SB 4XX

By: Thompson of the Senate and Wallace of the House

Title: Oklahoma Water Resources Board; making an appropriation; authorizing certain expenditures; providing certain limitations for projects; requiring rules and procedures to be established; and declaring an emergency.

together with Engrossed House Amendments thereto, beg leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and herewith return the same with the following recommendations:

- 1. That the House recede from all Amendments.
- 2. That the attached Conference Committee Substitute be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

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HOUSE CONFEREES:

Special Session Conference Committee

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2nd Extraordinary Session of the 58th Legislature (2022) 2 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE 3 FOR ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 4xx By: Thompson of the Senate 4 5 and Wallace of the House 6 7 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE 8 9 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Water Resources Board; making an appropriation; stating a purpose; authorizing certain expenditures; providing certain 10 limitations for projects; requiring rules and procedures to be established; and declaring an 11 emergency. 12 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 14 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Oklahoma Water 15 Resources Board from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the 16 Statewide Recovery Fund created pursuant to Enrolled House Bill No. 17 3349 of the 2nd Session of the 58th Oklahoma Legislature, the sum of 18 Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be 19 necessary to establish a grant program and to match tribal 20 investment in rural water infrastructure projects. Such funds shall 21 be used as recommended and approved by the Joint Committee on 22 Pandemic Relief Funding on March 10, 2022. Projects shall meet the 23

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federal eligibility requirements of the U.S. Treasury's Coronavirus

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    State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Final Rule for water and
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    wastewater investments.
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        SECTION 2. The Oklahoma Water Resources Board shall promulgate
    rules and establish procedures for evaluating and awarding grant
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    applications for the grant program provided for in this act.
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        SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
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    of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
    declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
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    be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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