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Bill Analysis

SB 1429 redesignates the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System Infrastructure Revolving Fund to the Oklahoma Ports Infrastructure Revolving Fund (OPIRF). The purpose of the Fund is expanded to include all infrastructure projects relating to Oklahoma's waterway ports. The Department of Transportation shall review and approve expenditures from the Fund. Monies from the Fund shall be invested by the Treasurer. Projects must be developed in coordination with the United States Army Corps of Engineers or all Indian tribes with an ownership interest in the riverbed of the Arkansas River when needed. The Department is authorized to issue loans from the Fund and grant an amount not exceeding 20% of the funds available in the OPIRF during any 1 year for qualified projects. The loan amount shall not exceed 35% of the funds available in the OPIRF during any 1 year for energency repairs to public ports or waterway infrastructure.

House Amendments

HA's to SB 1429 removes language providing for a \$16.2 million appropriation to be made to the Fund.

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