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Bill Analysis

SB 1650 directs the governing body of a public utility to adopt a plan that provides for the mapping and storage records of relating to the sanitary sewer system, the inspection and cleaning of certain components of the system, the prohibition of fat and grease from entering the system from nonresidential entities, the adoption of a funding model, and the adoption of a 5-year capital improvement plan. The utility may adopt policies relating to the response to calls for sanitary sewer overflow (SSO), the introduction of fat and grease into the sewer system, adoption of ordinances requiring the construction or remodel of existing buildings to be connected to the sanitary sewer system to install a backflow prevention system. The Oklahoma Water Resources Board and any other state agency that provides funding to public utilities for water and wastewater improvements shall ensure that the ranking structure for approval of funding applications accounts for the sustainability efforts of systems that have adopted the plans. The measure also establishes a 5-year moratorium against nuisance-based tort claims relating to the operation of public sanitary sewer systems for cities and towns complying with the provisions of this measure.

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