

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1674

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to nuclear energy; directing the Department of Environmental Quality to promulgate rules; defining term; authorizing a certain entity to construct a nuclear power plant subject to approval by the Department and the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission; requiring entity establish secondary facility for certain purpose within certain postal code; requiring certain entity to submit letter of intent and application to the Department; establishing application contents; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-7-501 of Title 27A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. 1. The Department of Environmental Quality shall promulgate rules for the purpose of creating a regulatory environment for a qualifying entity to construct a nuclear power plant.

2. For the purposes of this section, "qualified entity" or "entity" means an entity that has complied with federal and state requirements for constructing a nuclear power plant and has had its

1 application approved by the Department pursuant to this section. An  
2 entity that seeks to construct a nuclear power plant in this state  
3 shall be deemed a qualified entity under this section provided that  
4 the entity follows the regulations and guidance of the federal  
5 Nuclear Regulatory Commission and is granted the necessary licenses  
6 under 10 C.F.R. Part 50.

7 B. An entity seeking to construct a nuclear power plant under  
8 this section shall also construct a facility within the same 5-digit  
9 postal code of the proposed plant location with sufficient capacity  
10 to receive the spent fuel from the plant.

11 C. An entity seeking to construct a nuclear power plant under  
12 this section shall, in a form to be prescribed by the Department,  
13 submit a letter of intent to construct the plant and facility and an  
14 application for approval of the construction. The application shall  
15 include, but not be limited to:

16 1. The projected dates for beginning and completing  
17 construction;

18 2. The location of the proposed nuclear power plant and  
19 facility;

20 3. Copies of any applications, correspondence, or forms  
21 submitted in accordance with the requirements of the federal Nuclear  
22 Regulatory Commission;

1 4. Any statistics or information conveying the cost-  
2 effectiveness, efficiency, and energy-saving possibility of the  
3 proposed facility; and

4 5. Any other information deemed necessary by the Department for  
5 approval.

6 D. The Department shall promulgate any rules necessary to  
7 effectuate the provisions of this section.

8 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
9 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
10 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
11 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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