

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB4246 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Amendment submitted by: Chris Kannady \_\_\_\_\_

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Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 PROPOSED OVERSIGHT  
4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 4246

By: Kannady

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8 PROPOSED OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to waters and water rights; amending  
10 27A O.S. 2021, Section 2-6-103.1, which relates to  
11 contracts for technical assistance programs;  
12 authorizing the Department of Environmental Quality  
13 to contract with certain suppliers; authorizing the  
14 Department to use a portion of certain funds to  
15 contract with certain parties; and providing an  
16 effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 27A O.S. 2021, Section 2-6-103.1,  
19 is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 2-6-103.1. The Department of Environmental Quality may,  
21 to the extent funds are available, contract with the Oklahoma Rural  
22 Water Association or qualified state suppliers for technical  
23 assistance programs to rural water and wastewater system operators  
24 throughout the state. The Department may use a portion of the funds  
appropriated for grants and assistance programs to rural water and  
small systems to contract with qualified state suppliers to provide

1 technical assistance programs to rural water and wastewater systems  
2 operators throughout the state. Assistance in response to drinking  
3 water or wastewater emergencies is also eligible. The Department  
4 may contract with other nonprofit entities in addition to the  
5 Oklahoma Rural Water Association or qualified state suppliers for  
6 this purpose if the Department, in its discretion, determines that  
7 those entities can and will provide equally effective and efficient  
8 technical assistance services to rural water and wastewater system  
9 operators throughout the state.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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