

SENATE CHAMBER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DISPOSITION

☒ FLOOR AMENDMENT

No. 2

☐ COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

(Date)

I move to amend House Bill No. 1807 by substituting the attached floor substitute (Request No, 2087) for the title, enacting clause and entire body of the measure.

Submitted by:

Mary Jech
Senator Jech

I hereby grant permission for the floor substitute to be adopted.

Stat Green
Senator Green, Chair (required)

Tom Woods
Senator Woods

Mary Boren
Senator Boren

William Dossett
Senator Dossett

Ray Frix
Senator Frix

Senator Jett

Senator Paxton, President Pro Tempore

Sen Kern
Senator Kern

Senator McIntosh

Sen Murdock
Senator Murdock

Sen Rader
Senator Rader

Sen Thompson
Senator Thompson

Senator Daniels, Majority Floor Leader

Note: Energy committee majority requires six (6) members' signatures.

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(Floor Amendments Only)

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☐ Untimely

☐ Amendment Cycle Extended

☐ Secondary Amendment

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1807

By: Newton of the House

and

Jech of the Senate

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

[water and water rights - metering of wells - permit
holders - use of water - Oklahoma Water Resources
Board - allocation - conservation - excessive use -
effective date]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2021, Section 1020.19, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 1020.19. ~~Upon request of a majority of the landowners
residing within a basin or subbasin, the Board is authorized to
require that water wells be metered and that such meters as the
Board shall approve be utilized by the applicant and placed under
seal, subject to reading by the agents of the Board at any time.~~

~~The Board may also require that the applicant report the reading of
such meters at reasonable intervals~~

1 A. The Oklahoma Water Resources Board shall require all permit
2 holders authorized to take and use groundwater to implement a system
3 of measuring groundwater usage from all wells associated with the
4 permit. The Board shall determine which measurement systems may be
5 utilized, which shall include, but not be limited to, pump and
6 irrigation monitoring telemetry devices capable of reporting usage.
7 Such measuring systems shall be in proper operating condition at all
8 times when groundwater is being produced. Data from the measuring
9 system shall be utilized for the annual groundwater use report.

10 B. To encourage groundwater conservation, beginning January 1,
11 2026, the Board shall provide a five-year flex allocation of
12 groundwater usage based upon the previously determined allocated
13 annual use of the basin or subbasin. A five-year flex allocation
14 shall not require a new permit for existing permit holders. A five-
15 year flex allocation shall be available for:

16 1. Existing permit holders for groundwater use permits in
17 basins or subbasins, based upon the maximum annual yield
18 determination at the time of the original application;

19 2. New applicants for groundwater use permits in basins or
20 subbasins based upon the current maximum annual yield determination;
21 and

22 3. New and existing applicants and temporary permit holders for
23 groundwater use permits in basins or subbasins where the maximum
24 annual yield has yet to be determined.

1 C. An applicant for a five-year flex allocation shall be
2 required to:

3 1. Submit an annual usage report of the prior year's usage from
4 a Board-approved water measurement system; and

5 2. Pay the annual groundwater permit fee.

6 D. A five-year flex allocation shall allow the permit holder to
7 exceed the determined annual allocation in any year of the five-year
8 allocation; provided, that the applicant shall adhere to the
9 cumulative annually determined allocation of the basin or subbasin
10 over the five-year period. The permit holder shall not exceed the
11 permitted annual allocation by over two hundred percent (200%) in
12 any of the five (5) years.

13 E. Nothing in this section shall apply to domestic wells.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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