

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB2976</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>POLREC</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>16355</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Minimal</b>

**Research Analysis**

The policy committee recommendation for HB 2976 requires the Department of Environmental Quality to establish limits for the amount of aluminum allowed in the state's surface waters. Once established, the DEQ must apply the limits to all Oklahoma Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits where aluminum may be discharged. The permits must establish effluent limits that account for the permittee's conditions, and require permittees to monitor and report aluminum levels to evaluate compliance.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The policy committee recommendation to HB 2976 requires the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to establish numeric water quality criteria for aluminum applicable to surface waters. Per DEQ, this measure would have a minimal fiscal impact to the agency as this requirement is already within the purview of the agency and would only require the agency to re-prioritize this specific criteria; no additional staff or resources would be needed.

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**Other Considerations**

None.