

Senate Fiscal Summary

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Senate Bill 2173

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Agency:	Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service; Corporation Commission
Senate Author:	Boren
House Author:	
FY'27 Impact:	\$3,500,000
Full Year Impact:	\$3,500,000

Bill Summary and Fiscal Analysis:

SB 2173 establishes within the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service the Landowner Energy Negotiation, Agricultural Preservation, and Orphaned Well Mitigation Education Program to provide education, training, and technical assistance to landowners related to energy development and agricultural compatibility and the voluntary conservation of soil and water resources. The Service is directed to conduct outreach programs in areas with high levels of oil, gas, wind, or solar development, or concentrations of orphaned or abandoned wells, and shall coordinate with the Corporation Commission, who is authorized to levy and collect a State Renewable Energy Land Remediation and Education Fee not to exceed \$25.00 per acre of disturbed acreage that shall be split as following: No less than 80% distributed to Extension Services, equally split between Oklahoma State University and Langston University Extension Services, and no more than 20% to be retained by the Commission. The proposal appropriates \$3,500,000 to the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service to implement the program.

The OSU Extension Service estimates a \$750,000 impact for one lawyer, project director, area specialists and technicians. Langston University Extension estimates approximately \$600,000 for a program director, land use, and environment specialist, renewable energy specialist, 4 extension educators and 3 technical staff. This is expected to be covered by the \$3,500,000 provided in the measure. The Corporation Commission expects minimal to no fiscal impact to their agency. Therefore, the fiscal impact is \$3,500,000.

Fiscal impact provided by Oklahoma State University and Langston University Extension Services, the Corporation Commission, and Senate Fiscal Staff.