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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB3106 _____
Of the printed Bill
Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Adopted: _____

Amendment submitted by: Mike Dobrinski

Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE
4 SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 3106

By: Dobrinski

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8 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to conservation; amending Section 1,
10 Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2023 (27A O.S. Supp. 2023,
11 Section 3-8-101), which relates to the Terry Peach
12 North Canadian Watershed Restoration Act; modifying
13 name of act; amending Section 2, Chapter 372, O.S.L.
14 2023 (27A O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 3-8-102), which
15 relates to pilot program to remove harmful woody
16 species; modifying name of act; modifying definition;
17 modifying area for pilot program; modifying name of
18 fund; amending Section 3, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2023
19 (27A O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 3-8-103), which relates
20 to the North Canadian Watershed Restoration Revolving
21 Fund; modifying name of fund; modifying use of funds;
22 making certain appropriation; and providing an
23 effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 372, O.S.L.
2023 (27A O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 3-8-101), is amended to read as
follows:

Section 3-8-101. This act shall be known and may be cited as
the "Terry Peach ~~North Canadian Watershed~~ Water Restoration Act".

1 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 372, O.S.L.
2 2023 (27A O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 3-8-102), is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 Section 3-8-102. A. As used in the Terry Peach ~~North Canadian~~
5 ~~Watershed~~ Water Restoration Act:

6 1. "Commission" means the Oklahoma Conservation Commission;

7 2. "Harmful woody species" means a tree or shrub species that
8 is rapidly encroaching into adjoining lands and is likely to cause
9 harm to the environment or economy. Harmful woody species include,
10 but are not limited to, *Juniperus virginiana* (Eastern Redcedar),
11 *Juniperus scopulorum* (Rocky Mountain juniper), *Juniperus monosperma*
12 (oneseed juniper) and *Tamarix ramosissima* (salt cedar); and

13 3. "~~North Canadian~~ Watershed" means ~~the~~ an area of land in
14 Oklahoma that drains or sheds water into ~~the North Canadian River~~ a
15 waterway or water basin.

16 B. There is hereby created a statewide pilot program to remove
17 or eradicate harmful woody species in ~~the North Canadian Watershed~~
18 watersheds to be administered by the Oklahoma Conservation
19 Commission. To accomplish the goals listed in this section, the
20 Commission is authorized to use the funds available in the ~~North~~
21 ~~Canadian Watershed~~ Water Restoration Revolving Fund established in
22 Section 3 of this act. The purpose of the program is to manage and
23 eradicate, where possible, harmful woody species that damage grazing
24 lands, create significant wildfire risk, reduce wildlife habitat and

1 reduce water flow into ~~the North Canadian River~~ waterways and water
2 basins.

3 C. In administering the pilot program, the Commission shall:

4 1. Cooperate with landowners, state agencies, and other
5 political subdivisions for removal of harmful woody species;

6 2. Measure the density of harmful woody species and estimate
7 water used by those species;

8 3. Create a study using a parallel watershed with no control of
9 harmful woody species;

10 4. Utilize available funds to cost-share with landowners for
11 expenses incurred in the eradication of harmful woody species by
12 prescribed burn, biological controls, mechanical removal, or
13 herbicide applications;

14 5. Develop grant programs with conservation districts, rural
15 fire departments, and prescribe burn associations for resources
16 needed for prescribed burns, mechanical removal, biological control,
17 or herbicide applications on harmful woody species;

18 6. Bring attention to the problems posed by harmful woody
19 species to create awareness, demonstrate value to all stakeholders,
20 and encourage landowners to participate in the program; and

21 7. Have at least two active project areas in the program, one
22 above the Canton Lake dam and one below.

23 D. The Commission is authorized to promulgate any rules and
24 procedures to effectuate the provisions of this section.

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1 | SECTION 3. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 372, O.S.L.
2 | 2023 (27A O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 3-8-103), is amended to read as
3 | follows:
4 | Section 3-8-103. There is hereby created in the State Treasury
5 | a revolving fund for the Oklahoma Conservation Commission to be
6 | designated the "~~North Canadian Watershed~~ Water Restoration Revolving
7 | Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal
8 | year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received by the
9 | Conservation Commission from appropriations, federal grants or
10 | funds, municipal contributions, private contributions, and any other
11 | sources, including interest earned from the income in the fund, that
12 | are designated for deposit to such fund or designated for duties
13 | associated with harmful woody species removal from ~~the North~~
14 | ~~Canadian Watershed~~ watersheds throughout the state. All monies
15 | accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may
16 | be budgeted and expended by the Conservation Commission to perform
17 | the duties imposed on the Commission by law. Expenditures from said
18 | fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer
19 | against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the
20 | Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and
21 | payment.

22 | SECTION 4. There is hereby appropriated to the Conservation
23 | Commission from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the
24 | General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year

1 ending June 30, 2025, the sum of Ten Million Dollars
2 (\$10,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary to perform
3 the duties imposed upon the Terry Peach Water Restoration Act by
4 law.

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5 SECTION 5. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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