

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1996

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Grand River Dam Authority;
8 amending 82 O.S. 2011, Section 861, which relates to
9 Grand River Dam Authority; clarifying statutory
10 references; and declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2011, Section 861, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 861. There is hereby created within the State of
16 Oklahoma a conservation and reclamation district to be known as
17 "Grand River Dam Authority", hereinafter called the district, and
18 consisting of that part of the State of Oklahoma which is included
19 within the boundaries of the Counties of Adair, Cherokee, Craig,
20 Delaware, Mayes, Muskogee, Ottawa, Osage, Pawnee, Payne, Lincoln,
21 Logan, Tulsa, Wagoner, Sequoyah, Haskell, Latimer, Pittsburg,
22 McIntosh, Creek, Okmulgee, Nowata, Washington and Rogers. Such
23 district shall be, and is hereby declared to be, a governmental
24 agency of the State of Oklahoma, body politic and corporate, with

1 powers of government and with the authority to exercise the rights,
2 privileges and functions hereinafter specified, including the
3 control, storing, preservation and distribution of the waters of the
4 Grand River and its tributaries, for irrigation, power and other
5 useful purposes and reclamation and irrigation of arid, semiarid and
6 other lands needing irrigation, and the conservation and development
7 of the forests, minerals, land, water and other resources and the
8 conservation and development of hydroelectric power and other
9 electrical energy, from whatever source derived, of the State of
10 Oklahoma.

11 Nothing in ~~this act~~ Section 861 et seq. of this title, or in any
12 other act or law contained, however, shall be construed as
13 authorizing the district to levy or collect taxes or assessments, or
14 to create any indebtedness payable out of the taxes or assessments,
15 or in any manner to pledge the credit of the State of Oklahoma, or
16 any subdivision thereof.

17 All that body of land and the water impounded above the
18 Pensacola Dam, Pensacola Project, shall be hereafter designated and
19 known as "Grand Lake O'The Cherokees". All that body of land and
20 the water impounded above Robert S. Kerr Dam, Markham Ferry Project,
21 shall be hereafter designated and known as "Lake Hudson". All that
22 body of land and the water impounded above Chimney Rock Dam, Salina
23 Pumped-Storage Project, shall be designated and known as "W. R.
24 Holway Reservoir".

1 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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