An Act

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 568

By: McCortney and Kidd of the Senate

and

McCall of the House

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Water Resources Board; creating the Phase II Arbuckle-Simpson Hydrology Study Revolving Fund; stating uses and purpose of the fund; providing for deposits to the fund; limiting certain expenditures; requiring the Board to coordinate with certain entities; authorizing the Board to coordinate with certain entities; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Hydrology study

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

- SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1085.7C of Title 82, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Oklahoma Water Resources Board to be designated the "Phase II Arbuckle-Simpson Hydrology Study Revolving Fund".
- B. The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board from the appropriations, apportionments, donations, federal grants and fee revenues designated for the purposes of completing in coordination with relevant state and federal agencies, specifically including the

United States Geological Survey, data collection and development of an enhanced hydrologic framework and modeling of the eastern Arbuckle-Simpson Groundwater Basin necessary for purposes of implementing the requirements of subsection A of Section 1020.9 of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or as otherwise appropriate for the Board's performance of its lawful function, which work is necessary for completion of Phase II of the Arbuckle-Simpson Hydrology Study.

- C. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board for the purpose of implementing Phase II of the Arbuckle-Simpson Hydrology Study. The Board shall coordinate with East Central University and the United States Geological Survey for the purpose of defining the study scope and conducting the work necessary to complete data collection and the development of an enhanced hydrologic framework and modeling of the eastern Arbuckle-Simpson Groundwater Basin necessary for purposes of implementing the requirements of subsection A of Section 1020.9 of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or as otherwise appropriate for the Board's performance of its lawful function. The Board may coordinate with other relevant state and federal agencies necessary for the purposes of this fund.
- D. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.
 - SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.
- SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 13th day of March, 2019.

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this ______ day of _____, 20 ____, at ____ o'clock _____ M.

By: