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Bill Analysis

SB 627 recreates the Red River Boundary Commission, which shall be comprised of the Governor or a designee, the Lieutenant Governor or a designee, the Attorney General or a designee, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or a designee, and the Speaker of the House or a designee. Members of the Commission shall serve without receiving additional compensation, but Legislative members or state employees may receive travel reimbursements. The chair shall be jointly appointed by the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House.

The Commission is directed to evaluate the methods used to establish the boundary between Oklahoma and Texas in the Texoma Area as well as determine the location of the south bank of the Red River as the bank was located and marked by the United States Army Corps of Engineers before the beginning of construction of Lake Texoma. The Commission is also charged with redrawing the boundary between Oklahoma and Texas on any real property for which the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers granted an easement, prior to August 21, 2000, to authorities charged with the construction, operation, and maintenance of a water pipeline and related facilities in the Texoma Area. The Commission must report to the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than January 15, 2023. The final report must be provided no later than July 30, 2026.

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