

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 3194

6 By: Newton

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8 An Act relating to water and water rights; amending
9 82 O.S. 2021, Section 1020.19, which relates to
10 metering of wells; providing that the Oklahoma Water
11 Resources Board require certain meters for water
12 wells; providing measuring requirements; requiring
13 data from the measuring system to be utilized for the
14 annual groundwater use report; and providing an
15 effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2021, Section 1020.19, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 1020.19 ~~Upon request of a majority of the landowners~~
20 ~~residing within a basin or subbasin, the Board is authorized to~~
21 ~~require that water wells be metered and that such meters as the~~
22 ~~Board shall approve be utilized by the applicant and placed under~~
23 ~~seal, subject to reading by the agents of the Board at any time.~~

24 The Oklahoma Water Resources Board shall require that all water
wells requiring a permit to take and use groundwater from the
Oklahoma Water Resource Board be equipped with water well flow

1 meters or an alternative measuring system as defined by the Board.
2 Such measuring systems shall remain on the well and be in proper
3 operating condition at all times when groundwater is being produced.
4 Data from the measuring system shall be utilized for the annual
5 groundwater use report. The Board may also require that the
6 applicant report the reading of such meters or alternative measuring
7 system at reasonable intervals.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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