

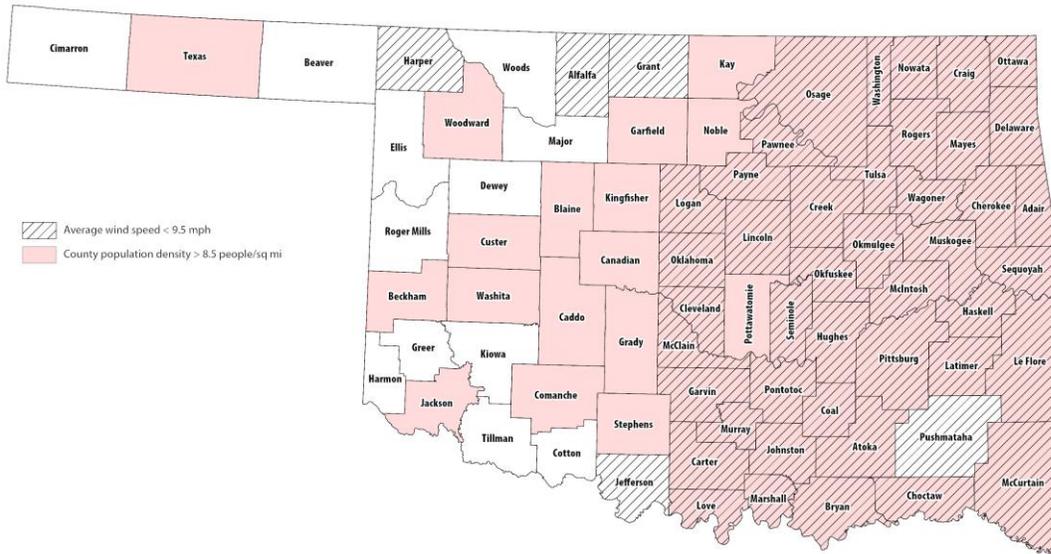
BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB2751
Version:	POLREC
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Research Analysis

The policy recommendation for HB 2751 requires industrial wind turbines in affected counties to be setback at least one-quarter mile, or 2.5x the windmill tower height, whichever is greater, from any residential dwelling or functional building. The setback is measured from the property line of the windmill parcel to any buildings or dwellings on nearby property. *Affected counties* include those with a population density greater than 8.5 people per square mile, or those with an average wind speed of less than 9.5 miles per hour. A property owner can waive the setback requirements if they choose.

These setbacks will remain in effect unless a Board of County Commissioners agrees to refer the setback requirements to a vote of county residents. Such a vote can only happen every five years. Lastly, the Corporation Commission must maintain a public database containing the status of the setback requirements in each affected county.



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Sources: 2020 Census population; Oklahoma Climatological Survey,
County Climate Summary, 2016–2020

Fiscal Analysis

The policy recommendation to HB 2751 introduces language related to setback requirements for wind energy structures. This measure requires the Oklahoma Corporation Commission to maintain a public database of setback provisions by county. The Corporation Commission anticipates a significant fiscal impact in order to create and maintain such a database, and would potentially require additional appropriations to cover these costs; however, exact cost estimates are unknown at this time.

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Other Considerations

None.