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Bill Analysis

SB 998 removes the descriptor “fresh” as it applies to groundwater regulated by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board. The measure provides that the taking and use of marginal water in accordance with the Oklahoma Groundwater Law and the rules of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) shall be considered a beneficial use and not waste. The OWRB is directed by the measure to promulgate and implement rules for the taking and use of marginal water. Such use of marginal water may not impair the use of fresh water basins.

House Amendments

House Amendments to SB 998 replaces the engrossed measure in its entirety with the measure described above and restores the Title on the measure.

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