STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

SENATE BILL 548   By: Shaw

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Scenic Rivers; amending 82 O.S. 2011, Section 1452, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 297, O.S.L. 2016, and as renumbered by Section 25, Chapter 297, O.S.L. 2016 (82 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 896.5), which relates to designation of scenic river areas; expanding scenic river designation on the Illinois River; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1.   AMENDATORY   82 O.S. 2011, Section 1452, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 297, O.S.L. 2016, and as renumbered by Section 25, Chapter 297, O.S.L. 2016 (82 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 896.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 896.5. The Oklahoma Legislature finds that certain free-flowing streams and rivers of Oklahoma possess such unique natural scenic beauty, water, fish, wildlife and outdoor recreational values of present and future benefit to the people of the state that it is the policy of the Legislature to preserve these areas for the benefit of the people of Oklahoma. For this purpose the following are hereby designated as scenic rivers:

1.   The Flint Creek in Delaware County;

2.   The Illinois River in Adair, Delaware and Cherokee Counties above ~~its confluence with the Barren Fork Creek~~ the Horseshoe Bend Public Use Area Boat Ramp of Tenkiller Ferry Lake;

3.   The Barren Fork Creek in Adair and Cherokee Counties from the present alignment of U.S. Highway 59 West to its confluence with the Illinois River;

4.   The Upper Mountain Fork River above the 600-foot elevation level of Broken Bow Reservoir in McCurtain and LeFlore Counties;

5.   Big Lee Creek in Sequoyah County, above the 420-foot MSL elevation; and

6.   Little Lee Creek in Adair and Sequoyah Counties.

SECTION 2.   This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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