

SB 543

Senate Bill No. 543  
As Amended

SENATE BILL NO. 543 - By: LITTLEFIELD of the Senate and WILSON of the House.

[ revenue and taxation - Oklahoma Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee - obsolete language - emergency ]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2001, Section 50015, is amended to read as follows:

Section 50015. A. There is hereby created an Oklahoma Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee which shall advise the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department on matters of statewide tourism promotion. The Committee shall consist of thirteen (13) members and one ex officio nonvoting member as follows:

1. Chair of the Senate Tourism Committee, or designee;
2. Chair of the House of Representatives Tourism and Recreation Committee, or designee;
3. President of the Oklahoma Travel Industry Association, or designee;
4. President of the Oklahoma Lakes and Countries Association, or designee;

1           5. Member of the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission,  
2 selected by the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission, whose  
3 occupation shall be in the tourism industry;

4           6. President of the Oklahoma Hotel/Motel Association, or  
5 designee;

6           7. President of the Oklahoma Restaurant Association, or  
7 designee;

8           8. Representative of the City Convention and Tourism Bureau or  
9 a representative of a municipal chamber of commerce, appointed by  
10 the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission;

11          9. Director of the Oklahoma Arts Council, or designee;

12          10. Representative of the tour operator or travel agent sector,  
13 appointed by the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission;

14          11. Representative of the transportation sector, including but  
15 not limited to, airlines, bus companies, car rental business,  
16 appointed by the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission;

17          12. Executive Director of the Oklahoma Historical Society, or  
18 designee; and

19          13. Director of the Native American Cultural and Educational  
20 Authority, or designee.

21          The Director of the Division of Travel and Tourism of the  
22 Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, or designee, shall serve  
23 as the ex officio nonvoting member.

1        B. ~~The initial appointed members shall be appointed on or~~  
2 ~~before January 1, 1988.~~ The term of office of each appointed member  
3 shall be for one (1) year ~~and end on December 31 of each year,~~ but  
4 all members shall hold office until their successors are appointed.

5        C. The membership shall annually elect a chair and vice-chair  
6 of the Committee, each of whom shall serve for a term of one (1)  
7 fiscal year and until their successor is elected, and who shall  
8 perform such duties as the Committee directs.

9        D. The members of the Committee shall receive no compensation  
10 for their services or reimbursements for any expenses incurred.

11       E. The Committee shall hold at least four regular meetings each  
12 calendar year at a place and time to be fixed by the Oklahoma  
13 Tourism and Recreation Commission.

14       SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
15 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
16 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
17 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

18 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TOURISM & WILDLIFE, dated 2-13-03  
19 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.