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3 SENATE BILL 594

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to Aerospace Development; amending  
8 Section 1, Chapter 263, O.S.L. 2006, as renumbered by  
9 Section 2, Chapter 180, O.S.L. 2008, and as last  
10 amended by Section 5, Chapter 417, O.S.L. 2008 (3  
11 O.S. Supp. 2010, Section 85.3), which relates to the  
12 Aerospace Development Act of 2008; updating statutory  
13 reference; and declaring an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 263, O.S.L.  
16 2006, as renumbered by Section 2, Chapter 180, O.S.L. 2008, and as  
17 last amended by Section 5, Chapter 417, O.S.L. 2008 (3 O.S. Supp.  
18 2010, Section 85.3), is amended to read as follows:

19 Section 85.3 A. This act, Section 85.3 of this title, shall be  
20 known and may be cited as the "Aerospace Development Act of 2008".

21 B. There is hereby created within the Oklahoma Aeronautics  
22 Commission, the Center for Aerospace Supplier Quality (CASQ), and  
23 the Oklahoma Aerospace Institute (OAI) whose purpose shall be to  
24 create a partnership of service providers to more effectively  
respond to the needs of the aerospace industry in the areas of

1 education and training, research, and economic development. The  
2 CASQ and OAI will focus available resources to promote cooperation  
3 and collaboration among businesses, manufacturers, military  
4 installations, commercial aviation, educational institutions,  
5 nonprofit research institutions, and state government for the  
6 purpose of strengthening the economy of the State of Oklahoma.  
7 Contingent upon the availability of funds, the Oklahoma Aeronautics  
8 Commission may employ established program processes or may contract  
9 with other qualified entities to operate the CASQ and the OAI.

10 C. The CASQ is designed to serve as a conduit between  
11 Oklahoma's military installations and aerospace industry to promote  
12 quick response to opportunities that will:

- 13 1. Increase Department of Defense contracts with Oklahoma  
14 aerospace companies and contracts between Oklahoma aerospace  
15 companies and prime contractors in the aerospace and defense  
16 industries;
- 17 2. Create and retain more high-wage, high-skill jobs;
- 18 3. Strengthen collaborations between businesses and aerospace  
19 interests;
- 20 4. Reduce the flow of federal defense contract dollars to out-  
21 of-state businesses;
- 22 5. Expand the aerospace industry in Oklahoma;
- 23 6. Provide engineering and technical assistance;

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1 7. Provide more manufacturing sources for Oklahoma military  
2 installations and the aerospace industry; and

3 8. Reduce costs and increase competitiveness for Oklahoma  
4 military installations and the aerospace industry.

5 D. In order to streamline the use of resources with the goal of  
6 eliminating duplication of efforts, the OAI shall act as a  
7 clearinghouse of information and activities concerning the aerospace  
8 industry. The OAI will provide a focal point to coordinate the  
9 plans and activities of state agencies, task forces, departments,  
10 boards, commissions, and other entities that have responsibilities  
11 or duties regarding the aerospace industry with the goal of  
12 eliminating duplication of effort.

13 E. The OAI shall create a partnership of education and training  
14 providers to meet the specific needs of the aerospace industry to  
15 build a credentialed work force for the future. Participating  
16 educational institutions shall act cooperatively to create  
17 complementary activities.

18 F. The OAI shall include a center for applied research and will  
19 primarily undertake applied research, development and technology  
20 transfer that have long-term potential for commercial development.  
21 The center shall build upon institutional strengths and conduct  
22 activity in areas of research in which the participating research  
23 institutions and businesses have achieved or have true promise of

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1 attaining a standard of excellence in applied research and  
2 development.

3 G. The OAI shall support and foster the growth of the aerospace  
4 industry. The OAI shall acquire aerospace executive expertise and  
5 provide consulting services to the aerospace industry, government  
6 agencies and organizations across the State of Oklahoma in order to  
7 strengthen the policy framework, economic development initiatives  
8 and activities of the state.

9 H. The OAI may accept funding that includes, but is not limited  
10 to:

- 11 1. Monetary contributions;
- 12 2. Contractual arrangements;
- 13 3. In-kind services;
- 14 4. Federal- and state-appropriated dollars;
- 15 5. Private and public foundation grants; and
- 16 6. Fee-for-service products.

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

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