

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1599

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7 An Act relating to travel reimbursement; amending 74
8 O.S. 2011, Section 500.6, which relates to travel by
9 private airplane; authorizing reimbursement of fuel
10 costs for private airplane or aircraft used for law
11 enforcement purposes; requiring public entity to
12 establish policy to verify information necessary for
13 reimbursement; requiring information to be publicly
14 available; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 500.6, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 500.6. A. Travel by any state officer or employee on
19 official state business on any privately owned or chartered airplane
20 may be reimbursed in an amount which, when added to per diem and
21 reimbursement for lodging for that trip, does not exceed the
22 equivalent of automobile mileage plus per diem and reimbursement for
23 lodging had a privately owned automobile been used for the trip.
24 The provisions of Section 500.4 of this title shall apply to
calculation of automobile mileage equivalent in this section.

1 B. Upon completion of each trip, the pilot of any airplane
2 owned by this state shall enter into a record book the names of all
3 passengers on the airplane, date, destination, mileage, duration,
4 purpose, and expense of the trip. The pilot shall sign each entry
5 in the record book. Said book may be inspected by the State Auditor
6 and Inspector.

7 C. Expenses of the trip are to be charged to the state
8 departments or agencies of the officers or employees using the
9 airplane. For the purposes of this section the term expense of the
10 trip shall include but is not limited to the cost of operating the
11 airplane, the duration of the trip, and the salary of the pilot.

12 D. Any non-elected law enforcement official or citizen who
13 offers for use his or her personal airplane or aircraft for searches
14 or criminal pursuits may be reimbursed by the public entity
15 requesting such assistance for the cost of fuel used during such
16 official business. Each public entity authorizing the use of any
17 airplane or other aircraft for such purpose shall establish a policy
18 to verify information they deem necessary to reimburse such
19 individual for cost of fuel used pursuant to this subsection. Such
20 information shall be recorded and made available by the public
21 entity in the same manner as required for other expenditures of
22 public funds by the public entity.

23 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
24 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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