

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION 35

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution supporting the designation of
8 Iowa Pacific as a Passenger Operator on the Sooner
9 Sub rail line; and directing distribution.

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11 WHEREAS, Iowa Pacific is the operator of the Eastern Flyer
12 demonstration trains between the Tulsa and Oklahoma City rail
13 corridor along the Sooner Sub rail line; and

14 WHEREAS, the Eastern Flyer runs between Sapulpa and Midwest City
15 with plans for dedicated shuttles to take passengers to the downtown
16 areas, universities and airports of both Oklahoma City and Tulsa;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, by October 1, 2014, the Eastern Flyer plans to run six
19 round trips between Sapulpa and Midwest City and two round trips
20 between Tulsa and Midwest City and reduce running time to two hours
21 and fifteen minutes; and

22 WHEREAS, the trains are highly successful operationally with
23 customers and validate the need for passenger rail service along the
24 Sooner Sub corridor; and

1 WHEREAS, there will be no cost to the State of Oklahoma for
2 implementing passenger service on the Sooner Sub rail line.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
4 OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
5 CONCURRING THEREIN:

6 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature urges the Oklahoma Department of
7 Transportation to designate Iowa Pacific as a Passenger Operator on
8 the Sooner Sub rail line and engage with Iowa Pacific in developing
9 a contract for passenger train service.

10 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Governor,
11 the Oklahoma Department of Transportation, members of the Oklahoma
12 Transportation Commission and Iowa Pacific Holdings.

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