

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 240

By: Standridge of the Senate

and

Kiger and Echols of the
House

An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S. 2011, Section 85.45k, as last amended by Section 101, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2013 (74 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 85.45k), which relates to the State Travel Office; making certain use of State Travel Office optional for state agencies and departments; modifying requirement for State Travel Office to obtain certain information from contract travel agencies; updating statutory language; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: State Travel Office

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 85.45k, as last amended by Section 101, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2013 (74 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 85.45k), is amended to read as follows:

Section 85.45k. A. There is hereby created the State Travel Office within the Purchasing Division of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

B. All state agencies and departments of this state ~~shall~~ may make arrangements for all air travel on scheduled commercial airlines for state employees required to travel in the course of their official duties and for all other persons traveling at state

expense through the State Travel Office, except when the state agency determines that:

1. The air travel services can be secured at a cost less than that which can be secured by the State Travel Office; or

2. The air travel originates from a location outside the state and it would be impractical to arrange for the air travel through the State Travel Office; or

3. The air travel is necessitated by an emergency and time does not permit utilization of the State Travel Office's services; or

4. The air travel is part of a package arrangement made by the organization scheduling the meeting or conference.

C. All claims made for reimbursement shall contain a statement showing the reason for the exemption.

D. The State Travel Office shall promulgate rules and contract specifications to which the contract travel agencies shall be subject. The rules and specifications shall be drawn with the intent of obtaining the lowest available fares for scheduled commercial air travel.

E. At the end of each month the contract travel agencies shall furnish a statement, if requested, in a form approved by the State Travel Office, showing certain details of all travel arrangements handled to each state agency for which the contract travel agencies have furnished their services and shall also furnish copies of ~~said~~ the statements to the State Travel Office.

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

Passed the Senate the 12th day of March, 2019.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 4th day of April, 2019.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

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