

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

4 ENGROSSED SENATE
5 BILL NO. 240

By: Standridge of the Senate

and

Kiger and Echols of the
House

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10 An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S.
11 2011, Section 85.45k, as last amended by Section 101,
12 Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2013 (74 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section
13 85.45k), which relates to the State Travel Office;
14 making certain use of State Travel Office optional
15 for state agencies and departments; modifying
16 requirement for State Travel Office to obtain certain
17 information from contract travel agencies; updating
18 statutory language; and providing an effective date.

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

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 85.45k, as
21 last amended by Section 101, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2013 (74 O.S. Supp.
22 2018, Section 85.45k), is amended to read as follows:

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

1 B. All state agencies and departments of this state ~~shall~~ may
2 make arrangements for all air travel on scheduled commercial
3 airlines for state employees required to travel in the course of
4 their official duties and for all other persons traveling at state
5 expense through the State Travel Office, except when the state
6 agency determines that:

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

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

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

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

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

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

23 E. At the end of each month the contract travel agencies shall
24 furnish a statement, if requested, in a form approved by the State

1 Travel Office, showing certain details of all travel arrangements
2 handled to each state agency for which the contract travel agencies
3 have furnished their services and shall also furnish copies of ~~said~~
4 the statements to the State Travel Office.

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

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7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY, dated
8 03/27/2019 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.
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