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February 28, 2019

SENATE BILL NO. 853

By: **Kidd** of the Senate

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Boles of the House

An Act relating to counties and county officers; amending 19 O.S. 2011, Section 165, which relates to travel allowances; increasing travel allowances for certain county officials; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2011, Section 165, is amended to read as follows:

Section 165. A. In lieu of reimbursement for traveling expenses within their county each county commissioner and sheriff may receive a monthly travel allowance of ~~Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00)~~ Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00). In lieu of the reimbursement for traveling expenses authorized by law for each county officer, each county assessor may receive a monthly travel allowance of ~~Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)~~ Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00), and each county clerk, court clerk and county treasurer may receive a monthly travel allowance of ~~Four Hundred Dollars~~

1 ~~(\$400.00)~~ Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Each such county officer
2 may be subject to the penalty provided by Section 166 of this title
3 for failure to attend the meetings specified in that section.

4 B. All newly elected county officials shall be reimbursed by
5 their respective counties for any approved training provided before
6 such official takes office. Such training expenses shall be
7 reimbursed in January when such official takes office.

8 C. The provisions of this section and Sections 163 and 164 of
9 this title shall not prevent the emergency use of a county-owned
10 vehicle or county-owned equipment by a county officer when such
11 county officer is acting on behalf of the county or when such use is
12 related to county business. As used in this subsection, "emergency"
13 means an unforeseen combination of circumstances or the resulting
14 state that calls for immediate action.

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

16 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT
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