

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1450

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to work zone safety; defining term; authorizing the promulgation of certain rules and procedures; requiring the promulgation of certain rules and procedures; providing certain rule requirements; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1913 of Title 69, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As used in this section, "smart work zone system" means an application of computers, communications, and sensor technology to highway transportation that possesses the following general characteristics:

1. The system obtains and analyzes traffic flow data in real-time, providing frequently updated information to motorists;

2. The system is portable, allowing its installation, with minor modifications as necessary, at different locations;

1        3. The system operates in an automated manner with as minimal  
2 supervision as possible by human operators; and

3        4. The system provides accurate and reliable information,  
4 keeping in mind the serious consequences of misinforming motorists  
5 in work zone situations.

6        B. The Department of Transportation is authorized to promulgate  
7 any necessary rules to develop a smart work zone system. The  
8 Department shall initiate at least two such systems before December  
9 31, 2020.

10       C. The Department shall promulgate rules for contracting with  
11 third parties who place or provide temporary traffic control devices  
12 within or near construction zones. The rules shall require the  
13 Department to pay a daily agreed-upon rate for the use or rental of  
14 such temporary traffic control devices for each day the devices are  
15 in use in a construction zone area.

16       SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.

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