

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED

SENATE BILL NO. 8

By: Bergstrom of the Senate

and

Frix of the House

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An Act relating to state highways; stating history and origin of the Historic Jefferson Highway Route; designating the Historic Jefferson Highway Route; providing for costs associated with signage; requiring markers contingent on funding; providing for noncodification; 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 not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

The original or historical routing of State Highway 69 is part of the Historic Jefferson Highway Association Route, which was one of the earliest automobile highways in the United States. The route once ran north to south from Winnipeg, Canada, to New Orleans, Louisiana, and spanned over two thousand three hundred (2,300) miles through seven states. The entire historic route, including the

1 Oklahoma portion, has recently been reidentified by the reformed
2 Jefferson Highway Association organization.

3 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1698.308 of Title 69, unless
5 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 State Highway 69 from the Kansas border to the Texas border
7 shall be designated as the "Historic Jefferson Highway Route". The
8 costs associated with signage required by this section may be
9 provided by private sources, or other categories of available
10 funding, and shall include the cost of the initial erection of signs
11 as well as the cost of potential replacement or reconstruction of
12 signs. Upon receiving adequate funding, the Department of
13 Transportation shall cause suitable permanent markers to be placed
14 upon the highway bearing that name. The permanent markers shall be
15 designed in consultation with the Jefferson Highway Association.

16 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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