An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 1941

By: Marlatt of the Senate

and

Nelson of the House

An Act relating to the Innovative Funding for Oklahoma Roads Task Force; creating task force; stating purpose; stating membership; requiring appointments by certain date; providing for staffing and travel reimbursement; providing for administrative support; requiring report by certain date; providing for noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

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:

A. There is hereby created until December 1, 2011, the "Innovative Funding for Oklahoma Roads Task Force" for the purpose of studying and evaluating innovations, technologies, and new methods being employed nationally and by other states to more adequately and equitably fund road and bridge infrastructure, including both new construction and maintenance. In addition, the task force shall include, but is not limited to, discussions of proposed reforms to the Federal Highway Law funding formula that encourage states to adopt new funding methods in order to increase their share of federal-aid dollars.

B. The Innovative Funding for Oklahoma Roads Task Force shall consist of eleven (11) members, as follows:

1. The Secretary of Transportation, or a designee;

2. A representative from a statewide organization representing counties appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

3. A representative from a transportation advocacy group appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

4. A representative from a statewide organization representing municipalities appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

5. A representative from a road and bridge organization appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

6. One representative from a multicultural road and bridge construction organization representing a Native American tribe appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

7. One representative from a multicultural road and bridge construction organization appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

8. Two members of the Oklahoma State Senate, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

9. Two members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Any vacancy on the task force shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives shall each designate one of the legislative members appointed to the task force to serve as cochair.

Appointments made pursuant to this section shall be finalized no later than July 1, 2010.

The cochair shall convene the first meeting of the task force. The task force shall meet as often as it deems necessary. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation. Nonlegislative task force members employed by the state shall be reimbursed for

travel expenses related to their service on the task force by their appointing authority in accordance with the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act. Legislative members of the task force shall be reimbursed for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

Administrative support for the task force shall be provided by the Department of Transportation to be supplemented, if necessary, by the staffs of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the State Senate. All participating state agencies shall provide for any administrative support as requested by the task force.

C. In addition to the directives previously outlined in subsection A of this section, the task force shall study, receive testimony, deliberate upon and make recommendations on all aspects concerning potential improved and innovative methods for funding transportation infrastructure.

The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before December 1, 2011. The report shall be prepared by the staff of the Department of Transportation.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 28th day of April, 2010.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 19th day of April, 2010.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Governor this 29th
day of April, **20** 10,
at 1:30 **o'clock** P **M.**

By:

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma the 4th **day of**
May, **20** 10, **at** 3:30 **o'clock** P **M.**

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this
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By: