

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 1599

By: Crain of the Senate

and

Martin (Steve) and Ritze of
the House

An Act relating to travel reimbursement; amending 74 O.S. 2011, Section 500.6, which relates to travel by private airplane; authorizing reimbursement of fuel costs for private airplane or aircraft used for law enforcement purposes; requiring public entity to establish policy to verify information necessary for reimbursement; and requiring information to be publicly available.

SUBJECT: Aircraft use reimbursement

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 500.6, is amended to read as follows:

Section 500.6. A. Travel by any state officer or employee on official state business on any privately owned or chartered airplane may be reimbursed in an amount which, when added to per diem and reimbursement for lodging for that trip, does not exceed the equivalent of automobile mileage plus per diem and reimbursement for lodging had a privately owned automobile been used for the trip. The provisions of Section 500.4 of this title shall apply to calculation of automobile mileage equivalent in this section.

B. Upon completion of each trip, the pilot of any airplane owned by this state shall enter into a record book the names of all

passengers on the airplane, date, destination, mileage, duration, purpose, and expense of the trip. The pilot shall sign each entry in the record book. Said book may be inspected by the State Auditor and Inspector.

C. Expenses of the trip are to be charged to the state departments or agencies of the officers or employees using the airplane. For the purposes of this section the term expense of the trip shall include but is not limited to the cost of operating the airplane, the duration of the trip, and the salary of the pilot.

D. Any non-elected law enforcement official or citizen who offers for use his or her personal airplane or aircraft for searches or criminal pursuits may be reimbursed by the public entity requesting such assistance for the cost of fuel used during such official business. Each public entity authorizing the use of any airplane or other aircraft for such purpose shall establish a policy to verify information they deem necessary to reimburse such individual for cost of fuel used pursuant to this subsection. Such information shall be recorded and made available by the public entity in the same manner as required for other expenditures of public funds by the public entity.

Passed the Senate the 5th day of May, 2014.

Eddie Field
Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 14th day of April, 2014.

Lee R. Downey, Jr.
Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 6th
day of May, 20 14, at 11:00 o'clock A M.
By: Audrey Lockwell

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 9th
day of May, 20 14, at 10:53 o'clock A M.

Mary Fallin
Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 9th
day of May, 20 14, at 1:53 o'clock P. M.
By: Chi Benze