

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

3 HOUSE BILL 2580

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to counties and county officers;
8 amending 19 O.S. 2021, Section 165, which relates to
9 travel allowances for county officers; adjusting
10 travel reimbursement allowances; establishing rate
11 for allowances; providing an effective date; and
12 declaring an emergency.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 165, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 165. A. In lieu of reimbursement for traveling
17 expenses within their county each county commissioner and sheriff
18 may receive a monthly travel allowance of ~~Seven Hundred Dollars~~
19 ~~(\$700.00)~~ One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). In lieu of the
20 reimbursement for traveling expenses authorized by law for each
21 county officer, each county assessor may receive a monthly travel
22 allowance of ~~Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00)~~ Nine Hundred Dollars
23 (\$900.00), and each county clerk, court clerk and county treasurer
24 may receive a monthly travel allowance of ~~Five Hundred Dollars~~
~~(\$500.00)~~ Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00). Each such county officer

1 may be subject to the penalty provided by Section 166 of this title
2 for failure to attend the meetings specified in that section.

3 B. Beginning in fiscal year 2028, the monthly amount of travel
4 reimbursement allowances for county officers shall be annually
5 increased by two percent (2%).

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

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

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

18 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
19 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
20 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
21 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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