

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE BILL 2597

By: Humphrey

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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 allowance for elected officials; modifying
travel allowance for county commissioners and
sheriff; and providing an effective date.

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

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

15 Section 165. A. In lieu of reimbursement for traveling
16 expenses within their county each county commissioner and sheriff
17 may receive a monthly travel allowance of ~~Seven Hundred Dollars~~
18 ~~(\$700.00)~~ Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$770.00). In lieu of the
19 reimbursement for traveling expenses authorized by law for each
20 county officer, each county assessor may receive a monthly travel
21 allowance of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00), and each county clerk,
22 court clerk and county treasurer may receive a monthly travel
23 allowance of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Each such county
24 officer may be subject to the penalty provided by Section 166 of

1 this title for failure to attend the meetings specified in that
2 section.

3 B. All newly elected county officials shall be reimbursed by
4 their respective counties for any approved training provided before
5 such official takes office. Such training expenses shall be
6 reimbursed in January when such official takes office.

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

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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