1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

SENATE BILL 369 By: Murdock

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to county roads and bridges; amending 69 O.S. 2011, Section 601, which relates to duties of county commissioners; allowing boards of county commissioners to enter into certain agreements; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2011, Section 601, is amended to read as follows:

Section 601. A. The county highway system shall be composed of all public roads within any county, less any part of any road or roads which may be designated as a state highway by the State Transportation Commission. It shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners in each county to construct and maintain as county highways those roads which best serve the most people of the county. For this purpose the board of county commissioners is authorized to use any funds which are in the county highway fund, subject to statutory restrictions on the use of any of such funds, together with any money or item of value derived from any agreement entered into between the county and the Transportation Commission,

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1 the federal government, this state, any other county or political 2 subdivision of this state or other governmental entity, or any 3 citizen or group of citizens who have made donations for that 4 The board of county commissioners is also authorized to 5 enter into agreements with oil and gas companies in this state to 6 repair and maintain county highways and bridges impacted by oil and 7 gas exploration. The boards of county commissioners of the various 8 counties shall have exclusive jurisdiction over the designation, 9 construction and maintenance and repair of all of the county 10 highways and bridges therein. All interlocal cooperation agreements 11 made pursuant to this section between counties and those political 12 subdivisions or citizens of a county shall be submitted to the 13 district attorney of each of the counties subject to the agreement 14 for approval. All other interlocal cooperation agreements shall be 15 submitted and approved in accordance with Sections 1001 through 1008 16 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. The boards of county commissioners are hereby authorized to establish road improvement districts as provided by law for existing roads in the unincorporated areas of counties. The boards of county commissioners may also have improvements made on existing roads in unincorporated areas of counties on a force account basis.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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