An Act relating to the State Travel Reimbursement Act; requiring state agencies, boards, commissions and other entities to use the Trip Optimizer System; providing purpose and application; providing exception; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 85.451 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Except as otherwise provided by this section, each state agency, board, commission or other entity organized within the executive department of state government shall use the Trip Optimizer system of the Department of Central Services in computing the optimum method and cost for travel by state employees using a motor vehicle.

B. The provisions of this section shall be used to determine the most cost-effective method of travel by motor vehicles, whether such vehicles are owned by the agency, leased by the agency or by the employee, and shall be applicable for purposes of determining the maximum authorized amount of any travel reimbursement for employees of such agencies related to vehicle usage.

C. An agency, as defined in subsection A of this section, that employs persons who use personal vehicles as part of their regular
duties and who are reimbursed for travel expenses by the agency shall not be required to utilize the Trip Optimizer system with regard to the travel expenses of such employees.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2009.

SECTION 3. 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 House of Representatives the 4th day of May, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 13th day of April, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
Received by the Governor this 5th day of May, 2009, at 2:36 o'clock P.M.

By: ____________________________

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma the 11th day of May, 2009, at 2:36 o'clock P.M.

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
Received by the Secretary of State this 11th day of May, 2009, at 3:51 o'clock P.M.

By: ____________________________

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