

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1899

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5 By: Representatives Slinkard, Ingram, Lindsey
6 By: Senators B. Pritchard, Madison

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9 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 *AN ACT CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENT FOR COUNTY*
11 *PERSONNEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

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13 **Subtitle**

14 *CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENT FOR COUNTY*
15 *PERSONNEL.*

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-14-1207, as amended by Act 74 of 2009,*
21 *is amended to read as follows:*

22 *(a) Reimbursement Authorized. All ~~elected county and township~~*
23 *~~officers, district officials and authorized deputies or employees thereof~~*
24 *shall be entitled to receive reimbursement of ~~allowable~~ expenses incurred in*
25 *the conduct of ~~county affairs where the incurrence of expense is not~~*
26 *~~discretionary in the conduct of duties assigned by law~~ official and*
27 *nondiscretionary duties under an appropriation for the operating expenses of*
28 *an office, function, or service. Reimbursement of ~~allowable~~ expenses that are*
29 *incurred in the performance of discretionary functions and services may be*
30 *permitted ~~where~~ when provided for by a specific appropriation of the ~~county~~*
31 *quorum court.*

32 *(b)(1) Allowance for Meals, Lodging, and Other Allowable Expenses.*
33 *All reimbursements for the purchase of meals, meal tips, lodging, and other*
34 *allowable expenses shall be based on the actual expense incurred or on a per*
35 *diem basis if approved by the quorum court.*



1 (2) Reimbursement for meal tips under subdivision (b)(1) of this
2 section shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the purchase amount of the
3 meal.

4 (3) A per diem reimbursement under subdivision (b)(1) of this
5 section shall be made under an accountable plan as defined by Internal
6 Revenue Service regulations as in existence on January 1, 2009.

7 (c) Reimbursement of Travel Expense.

8 (1) Privately Owned Motor Vehicles.

9 (A)(i) Any elected county or ~~township~~ district officer or
10 employee thereof ~~utilizing~~ using a privately owned motor vehicle in the
11 conduct of county affairs may be reimbursed at a per-mile rate established by
12 ordinance.

13 (ii) Reimbursement shall be based only on official
14 miles driven and legitimate automobile parking fees.

15 (iii) ~~Where~~ When more than one (1) traveler is
16 transported in the same vehicle, only the owner shall be entitled to mileage
17 reimbursement.

18 (B) A county shall not assume responsibility ~~whatsoever~~
19 for any maintenance, operational costs, accidents, and fines incurred by the
20 owner of the vehicle while on official business for the county.

21 (2) Privately Owned Airplanes.

22 (A) Reimbursement for travel expense ~~utilizing~~ using
23 privately owned airplanes shall be at the same rate as established for
24 privately owned motor vehicles.

25 (B) However, reimbursement mileage shall be determined by
26 the shortest highway route to and from the official destination.

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28 /s/ Slinkard

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30 **APPROVED: 4/1/2009**