NOTICE OF RULEMAKING INTENT

TITLE 780. OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION CHAPTER 1. GENERAL

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of rulemaking intent

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 17. Travel

780: 1-17-1. Compensation [AMENDED]

SUMMARY

The proposed amendments to Subchapter 17 provide clarifying language regarding the approval process for employee reimbursable travel expenses. In accordance with 74 O.S. § 500.15, the agency head, or their designee, is authorized to approve actual and necessary travel expenses. These amendments ensure consistency with state statute and clarify internal approval procedures for agency travel reimbursements.

AUTHORITY:

Oklahoma State Board of Career and Technology Education; 70 O.S. 2021, § 14-103, 70 O.S. § 14-103.1, 70 O.S. §14-103.2, and 70 O.S. § 14-104, as amended.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Written and oral comments will be accepted until 5 p.m. Central Time on January 2, 2026, at the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, at 1500 W. Seventh Avenue, Stillwater, OK 74075-2723, Attn: Gina Hubbard, or by email to gina.hubbard@careertech.ok.gov.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing will be held on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. Central Time at the OK Department of CareerTech, Alexander Conference Room, 1500 W. Seventh Avenue, Stillwater, OK. Each person will be allowed a maximum of 5 (five) minutes to speak and must sign in at the door by 1:05 p.m.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide the agency with information, in dollar amounts, if possible, about the increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing through January 8, 2026, at the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, at 1500 W. Seventh Avenue, Stillwater, OK 74075-2723, Attn: Gina Hubbard, or by email to gina.hubbard@careertech.ok.gov.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed changes may be obtained from Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, at 1500 W. Seventh Avenue, Stillwater, OK 74075-2723, or by email to gina.hubbard@careertech.ok.gov. The proposed rules may also be viewed on the agency's website at 2026 Proposed Rule Changes.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S., §303(D), a rule impact statement will be prepared and be available for review beginning December 16, 2025, at Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, at 1500 W. Seventh Avenue, Stillwater, OK 74075-2723, or by email to gina.hubbard@careertech.ok.gov. The proposed rules may also be viewed on the agency's website at 2026 Proposed Rule Changes.

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