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Bill Analysis

HB 1774 provides that contracts for the study, analysis, and planning to aid in determining the feasibility of leasing, selling, or privately managing or developing the property or facilities under control of the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission shall not be required to meet competitive bidding requirements. Additionally, the measure authorizes the Tourism and Recreation Department to utilize the provision of complimentary rooms, package-rate plans, group rates, guest incentive sales programs, entertainment of prospective guests, employee information programs, or golf promotional programs. The measure provides that sales and promotion programs considered acceptable in the hospitality industry shall be approved as necessary advertising and promotion expenses. State-owned restaurants managed by the Department shall not be exempt from competitive bidding requirements. The Department shall not be required to purchase furniture, fixtures, and equipment, and soft goods associated with decor of the state parks, lodges, golf courses, and tourism information centers from Oklahoma prisons or reformatories.

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