

SALINE COUNTY TREASURER

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As the Saline County Treasurer for the past 3 terms, I wanted to express my concern over funding for the Motor Vehicle Tag Office in Saline County. As you're aware we receive no funding from the State or County. The bulk of our funding is based off a \$5.00 Motor Vehicle service fee which hasn't increased in over 17 years, a .75 per registration fee which hasn't increased in over 50 years, and \$2.00 title fee which hasn't increased in over 43 years. With the funds that we obtain we must pay for 6.5 staff members, all supplies and equipment.

In 2024 I was forced to close our satellite office due to increased cost of rent which was maned by one employee due to a reduction in staff. The closure caused long lines at our main office at the City/County Building and numerous complaints from citizens and commissioners. I also expressed my concerns to our local legislators and media.

Through SB119 I am asking for you to consider relocating an additional \$5.00 to our service fee and an additional 1.50 for each title. The relocation in fees would provide much needed funding to our tag offices throughout the state.

Respectfully,

James A. DuBois

Saline County Treasurer