

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 2750

By: Satterfield of the House

and

Long of the Senate

An Act relating to motor vehicles; providing for design of license plate for wrecker or towing vehicles; requiring license plates to be permanent; providing exceptions; requiring copy of license and security verification form to be submitted when registering; providing for Oklahoma Tax Commission to compare vehicle identification numbers to registered vehicles; providing for penalties for failure to properly register; stating that certain definitions apply; 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 1134.3 of Title 47, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Each operator of a wrecker or towing service licensed pursuant to Sections 951 through 957 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes using a wrecker, wrecker vehicle, combination wrecker, combination wrecker vehicle, or any other motor vehicle used primarily for towing other motor vehicles shall register such vehicle in accordance with this section.

B. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall design an appropriate license plate for all wrecker vehicles registered pursuant to this section. Such license plates shall be permanent in nature and shall be designed in such manner as to remain with the vehicle for the duration of the vehicle's life span or until the title is transferred or the vehicle is no longer used for the purposes specified in Sections 951 through 957 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. When registering the vehicle, a person shall be required to submit to the Oklahoma Tax Commission or a motor license agent a copy of the license issued pursuant to law to operate a wrecker or towing service. In addition, a security verification form as required pursuant to Sections 7-601.1 and 7-602 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be presented clearly setting forth on the face of such verification the vehicle identification number (VIN) of the vehicle being registered.

D. The owner of any wrecker or towing vehicle not properly registered pursuant to this section or the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act shall be immediately notified in writing by the Tax Commission, and such owner shall be subject to any penalties and fines imposed by law for improper registration of a vehicle, for failure to register a vehicle, or for failure to display a proper commercial license plate and decal. The owner shall also be subject

to revocation of the owner's license to operate a wrecker or towing service.

E. Whenever a term defined in Section 951 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes is used in this section, it shall have the meaning provided in that section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1998.

Passed the House of Representatives the 13th day of April, 1998.

Speaker of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 2nd day of April, 1998.

President of the Senate