

ENGROSSED SENATE  
BILL NO. 463

By: Stipe of the Senate  
and  
Turner of the House

An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S. 1991, Section 901, which relates to abandonment of vehicles; modifying time period for removing abandoned vehicles from certain areas; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 1991, Section 901, is amended to read as follows:

Section 901. It shall be unlawful to abandon a motor vehicle on a highway or other public property. Any member of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol or any qualified sheriff, deputy sheriff or any member of any city police department shall deem a vehicle abandoned and shall have the authority to remove or direct the removal of a vehicle when found upon any portion of the highway, shoulder, or right-of-way, if after a period of ~~forty-eight (48)~~ twenty-four (24) hours there is no evidence of an apparent owner who intends to remove the vehicle.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 25th day of February, 1999.

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President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
1999.

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Speaker of the House of  
Representatives