

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB2331</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>2nd CCS</b>
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**Bill Summary**

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The measure requires law enforcement to verify compulsory insurance compliance during a traffic stop or accident investigation. If compliance is not confirmed by the online verification system or by the security verification form provided by the operator, the officer shall issue a citation for failure to comply with the Compulsory Insurance Law. Requires law enforcement to seize the vehicle of any person who is operating a vehicle while under suspension for failure to carry insurance as required by the Compulsory Insurance Law. A law enforcement may seize the vehicle of any person who is operating a vehicle without insurance as required by the Compulsory Insurance Law if the operator does not produce a security verification form and the officer is unable to confirm compliance through the online verification system. Clarifies that a vehicle is not to be seized upon the production of a valid security verification form. Clarifies that no vehicle displaying a valid temporary license plate is subject to being seized or towed. Requires DPS to contact the Oklahoma Tax Commission within 3 days of impoundment of a vehicle to determine name and address of the owner and any lienholder of the vehicle. DPS is required to contact lienholder within 3 days of receipt of information. .

**Fiscal Summary**

Fiscal Analyst: Marilyn Anderson

The 2nd CCS for HB2331 requires law enforcement officers to access information from the online verification system to verify if a driver is in compliance with the Compulsory Insurance Law during a traffic stop or accident investigation. If compliance is not confirmed for the policy described on a security verification form and after a subsequent investigation by the officer verifies that the operator is not in compliance or if no security verification form is produced, the officer must issue a citation.

If a law enforcement officer issues a citation for noncompliance with the Compulsory Insurance Law and the officer has probable cause to believe that the vehicle is not insured, and the operator does not produce what appears to be a valid security verification form, the officer is authorized to seize the vehicle and have it towed and stored.

The measure requires the court to confirm compliance with the online verification system before dismissing charges without the payment of court costs.

The measure allows law enforcement officers to seize a vehicle and have it towed and stored if it is operated by a person with a suspended license and the officer has probable cause to believe that the vehicle is not insured.

The measure authorizes an officer to have a vehicle towed and stored if it is found upon a roadway and the officer has probable cause that the vehicle is not insured.

**Fiscal Analysis**

The 2nd CCS for HB2331 has no significant fiscal impact.

**Long Term Fiscal Considerations**

None

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