

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 9, 2012

3 As Amended

4 ENGROSSED HOUSE

5 BILL NO. 1952

6 By: McNiel, Hickman and Walker  
7 of the House

8 and

9 Stanislawski and Marlatt of  
10 the Senate

11 **[ motor vehicles - governmental authority to weigh**  
12 **vehicles - modifying Corporation Commission authority**  
13 **- codification - effective dates -**  
14 **emergency ]**

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-187 of Title 47, unless there  
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A "weigh station" is a stationary and permanent facility owned  
20 by the state and maintained with the primary purpose of determining  
21 the weight of vehicles traveling on the roads and highways of this  
22 state.

23 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 2-117.1, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

Section 2-117.1 A. It shall be the duty of the Oklahoma Tax  
Commission to investigate and report to the Corporation Commission

1 and the Department of Public Safety violations of their rules ~~and~~  
2 ~~regulations~~ and the laws governing the transportation of persons and  
3 property by motor transportation companies and all other motor  
4 carriers for hire.

5 B. It shall be the duty of the Corporation Commission to  
6 investigate and report to the Oklahoma Tax Commission and the  
7 Department of Public Safety violations of their rules ~~and~~  
8 ~~regulations~~ and the laws governing the transportation of persons and  
9 property by motor transportation companies and all other motor  
10 carriers for hire.

11 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-110, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 14-110. The registration certificate for any truck,  
14 trailer, semitrailer or combination thereof shall be carried in or  
15 on the vehicle at all times and shall be presented on demand of any:

16 1. Any officer of the Department of Public Safety, ~~Oklahoma~~  
17 ~~Corporation Commission,~~ or any sheriff for inspection, ~~and it;~~ or

18 2. Any enforcement officer of the Corporation Commission at or  
19 within seven (7) miles of a weigh station for inspection.

20 Such registration certificate shall be accepted in any court as  
21 prima facie evidence of weight registration or legally authorized  
22 load limit of the vehicle.

23 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-111, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

1           Section 14-111. A. Any officer of the Department of Public  
2 Safety, any enforcement officer of the Corporation Commission at or  
3 within seven (7) miles of a weigh station, any sheriff, or any  
4 salaried deputy sheriff is authorized to stop any vehicle upon any  
5 road or highway ~~in order to~~ and weigh such vehicle by means of  
6 portable or stationary scales, or cause the same to be weighed by  
7 any official weigher, or upon any privately owned scales and may  
8 require that such vehicles be driven to the nearest or most  
9 convenient available scales for the purpose of weighing. In the  
10 event that any axle weight or the gross weight of any such vehicle  
11 be found to exceed the maximum weight authorized by law, or by  
12 permit issued therefor, the officer may require, in the case of  
13 separable loads, the driver, operator or owner thereof to unload at  
14 the site such portion of the load as may be necessary to decrease  
15 the weight of such vehicle to the maximum weight authorized by law.  
16 Provided, however, that if such load consists of livestock,  
17 perishable merchandise, or merchandise that may be destroyed by the  
18 weather, then the driver shall be permitted to proceed to the  
19 nearest practical unloading point in the direction of destination  
20 before discharging such excess cargo. All material so unloaded  
21 shall be cared for by the owner or operator of such vehicle at the  
22 risk of such owner or operator.

23           B. The operator of any truck or other vehicle transporting farm  
24 products for hire or other merchandise for hire shall have in his or

1 her possession a certificate carrying the following information:  
2 name of the operator; driver license number; vehicle registration  
3 number; Corporation Commission permit number; and statement of owner  
4 authorizing transportation of the products by above named operator.  
5 For the purposes of this section "certificate" includes electronic  
6 manifests and other similar documents that include all of the  
7 information required pursuant to this section.

8       Should the vehicle be loaded with livestock, the certificate  
9 shall include the number of animals, and should the livestock be the  
10 property of more than one person, a certificate signed by each owner  
11 carrying the above information including the number of animals owned  
12 by each owner shall be carried by the operator. Should the operator  
13 be the owner of the merchandise or livestock, the merchandise or  
14 livestock having just been purchased, the operator shall have in his  
15 or her possession a bill of sale for such merchandise or livestock.  
16 Should the operator be the owner of livestock or other farm products  
17 produced by the operator, the operator shall be required to show  
18 satisfactory identification and ownership of the vehicle. Any  
19 officer as outlined in this chapter shall have the authority to stop  
20 any vehicle loaded with livestock, merchandise or other farm  
21 products and investigate as to the ownership of the merchandise,  
22 livestock or other farm products. Should the operator of any  
23 vehicle be unable to establish to the satisfaction of the officer  
24 the ownership of the merchandise, livestock or other products, or

1 shall not have the certificate as specified in this section for the  
2 transportation of such merchandise, livestock or other farm  
3 products, the merchandise, livestock or other farm products and the  
4 vehicle in which they are being transported shall be impounded by  
5 the officer and any expense as to the care of any livestock shall be  
6 the responsibility of the owner or operator of the vehicle, and any  
7 loss or damage of the merchandise, livestock or other farm products  
8 shall be the responsibility of the operator or owner, or both.

9 The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a person  
10 who is transporting horses or livestock; provided, the person shall  
11 not have been hired to transport the horses or livestock.

12 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 14-124 of Title 47, unless there  
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 No state or local law enforcement authority or enforcement  
16 officer of the Corporation Commission shall issue a traffic citation  
17 to an individual hauling a load for size, weight or safety  
18 requirement violations or detain an individual hauling a load for  
19 size, weight or safety requirement inspection of the load if, within  
20 the preceding twelve-hour period, the individual has been stopped  
21 while hauling the same load and been issued a traffic citation or  
22 written warning for a size, weight or safety requirement violation.

23 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 116.13, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

1 Section 116.13 A. Each employee of the Corporation Commission  
2 assigned as an enforcement officer, ~~as herein provided,~~ to a weigh  
3 station shall at all times while on duty be required to be dressed  
4 in a distinctive uniform and display a badge of office, both of  
5 which shall be completely different and distinguishable from those  
6 of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division, the Department of Public  
7 Safety, the Department of Transportation, and the Oklahoma Tax  
8 Commission. All such badges shall be furnished by the Corporation  
9 Commission and each badge shall display a distinctive serial number.  
10 The type and detail of the uniforms shall be designated by the  
11 Corporation Commission and the Corporation Commission shall furnish  
12 the uniforms and replace them when necessary. An expense allowance  
13 of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month for maintenance and  
14 cleaning of uniforms shall be paid to each enforcement officer of  
15 the Corporation Commission assigned to a weigh station.

16 B. Any person who without authority wears the badge or uniform  
17 of a Corporation Commission enforcement officer, or who without  
18 authority impersonates such an officer, with intent to deceive  
19 anyone, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

20 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 162, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 162. A. The Corporation Commission is authorized to:

23 1. Supervise and regulate every motor carrier of household  
24 goods;

1           2. Protect the shipping and general public by requiring  
2 liability insurance and cargo insurance of all motor carriers of  
3 household goods;

4           3. Ensure motor carriers of household goods are complying with  
5 applicable size and weight laws and safety requirements through the  
6 use of weigh stations;

7           4. Supervise and regulate such motor carriers in all other  
8 matters affecting the relationship between such carriers and the  
9 traveling and shipping public including, but not limited to,  
10 consumer protection measures and loss and damage claim procedures;  
11 and

12           5. Enforce the provisions of this act.

13           B. The Commission is authorized to promulgate rules applicable  
14 to persons transporting household goods.

15           C. 1. The Commission is authorized to administer a hazardous  
16 material transportation registration and permitting program for  
17 motor carriers engaged in transporting hazardous material upon or  
18 over the public highways and within the borders of the state.

19           2. The Commission shall promulgate rules implementing the  
20 provisions of this subsection. Rules promulgated pursuant to this  
21 subsection shall be consistent with, and equivalent in scope,  
22 coverage, and content to requirements applicable to operators of  
23 vehicles transporting hazardous materials contained in the report  
24 submitted to the Secretary of the United States Department of

1 Transportation, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5119(b), by the Alliance for  
2 Uniform Hazardous Material Transportation Procedures.

3 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to remove or  
4 affect the jurisdiction of the Department of Environmental Quality  
5 to implement hazardous waste transportation requirements for federal  
6 hazardous waste program delegation to this state under the federal  
7 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

8 E. The Commission is authorized to promulgate rules and set  
9 fees applicable to interstate motor carriers, pertaining to carrier  
10 registration, operation of equipment and filing of proper proof of  
11 liability insurance.

12 F. Nothing in this section shall be construed to remove or  
13 affect the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Safety and its  
14 authorities, responsibilities and duties prescribed by Section 2-117  
15 and Sections 14-101 through 14-123 of this title.

16 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 166.5, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 166.5 If this act, or any provision hereof, or the  
19 Motor Carrier Act of 1995 or any provision ~~hereof~~ thereof ~~is~~ or may  
20 be deemed to be~~r~~ in conflict or inconsistent with any of the  
21 provisions of Section 18 through Section 34, inclusive, of Article  
22 IX of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, then, to the extent  
23 of any such conflicts or inconsistencies, it is hereby expressly  
24 declared that this entire act and this section are amendments to and



1 alterations of the sections of the Constitution, as authorized by  
2 Section 35 of Article IX of said Constitution.

3 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 166a, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 166a. A. As used in this section:

6 1. "Authorized carrier" means a motor carrier of household  
7 goods;

8 2. "Equipment" means a motor vehicle, straight truck, tractor,  
9 semitrailer, full trailer, any combination of these and any other  
10 type of equipment used by authorized carriers in the transportation  
11 of household goods;

12 3. "Owner" means a person to whom title to equipment has been  
13 issued, or who, without title, has the right to exclusive use of  
14 equipment for a period longer than thirty (30) days;

15 4. "Lease" means a contract or arrangement in which the owner  
16 grants the use of equipment, with or without driver, for a specified  
17 period to an authorized carrier for use in the regulated  
18 transportation of household goods in exchange for compensation;

19 5. "Lessor", in a lease, means the party granting the use of  
20 equipment with or without driver to another;

21 6. "Lessee", in a lease, means the party acquiring the use of  
22 equipment with or without driver from another;

23 7. "Addendum" means a supplement to an existing lease which is  
24 not effective until signed by the lessor and lessee; and

1 8. "Shipper" means a person who sends or receives household  
2 goods which are transported in intrastate commerce in this state.

3 B. An authorized carrier may perform authorized transportation  
4 in equipment it does not own only under the following conditions:

5 1. There shall be a written lease granting the use of the  
6 equipment and meeting the requirements as set forth in subsection C  
7 of this section;

8 2. The authorized carrier acquiring the use of equipment under  
9 this section shall identify the equipment in accordance with the  
10 ~~Commission's~~ requirements of the Corporation Commission; and

11 3. Upon termination of the lease, the authorized carrier shall  
12 remove all identification showing it as the operating carrier before  
13 giving up possession of the equipment.

14 C. The written lease required pursuant to subsection B of this  
15 section shall contain the following provisions. The required lease  
16 provisions shall be adhered to and performed by the authorized  
17 carrier as follows:

18 1. The lease shall be made between the authorized carrier and  
19 the owner of the equipment. The lease shall be signed by these  
20 parties or by their authorized representatives;

21 2. The lease shall specify the time and date or the  
22 circumstances on which the lease begins and ends and include a  
23 description of the equipment which shall be identified by vehicle  
24 serial number, make, year, model and current license plate number;

1           3. The period for which the lease applies shall be for thirty  
2 (30) days or more when the equipment is to be operated for the  
3 authorized carrier by the owner or an employee of the owner;

4           4. The lease shall provide that the authorized carrier lessee  
5 shall have exclusive possession, control and use of the equipment  
6 for the duration of the lease. The lease shall further provide that  
7 the authorized carrier lessee shall assume complete responsibility  
8 for the operation of the equipment for the duration of the lease;

9           5. The amount to be paid by the authorized carrier for  
10 equipment and driver's services shall be clearly stated on the face  
11 of the lease or in an addendum which is attached to the lease. The  
12 amount to be paid may be expressed as a percentage of gross revenue,  
13 a flat rate per mile, a variable rate depending on the direction  
14 traveled or the type of commodity transported, or by any other  
15 method of compensation mutually agreed upon by the parties to the  
16 lease. The compensation stated on the lease or in the attached  
17 addendum may apply to equipment and driver's services either  
18 separately or as a combined amount;

19           6. The lease shall clearly specify the responsibility of each  
20 party with respect to the cost of fuel, fuel taxes, empty mileage,  
21 permits of all types, tolls, detention and accessorial services,  
22 base plates and licenses, and any unused portions of such items.  
23 Except when the violation results from the acts or omissions of the  
24 lessor, the authorized carrier lessee shall assume the risks and

1 costs of fines for overweight and oversize trailers when the  
2 trailers are preloaded, sealed, or the load is containerized, or  
3 when the trailer or lading is otherwise outside of the lessor's  
4 control, and for improperly permitted over-dimension and overweight  
5 loads and shall reimburse the lessor for any fines paid by the  
6 lessor. If the authorized carrier is authorized to receive a refund  
7 or a credit for base plates purchased by the lessor from, and issued  
8 in the name of, the authorized carrier, or if the base plates are  
9 authorized to be sold by the authorized carrier to another lessor,  
10 the authorized carrier shall refund to the initial lessor on whose  
11 behalf the base plate was first obtained a prorated share of the  
12 amount received;

13 7. The lease shall specify that payment to the lessor shall be  
14 made by the authorized carrier within fifteen (15) days after  
15 submission of the necessary delivery documents and other paperwork  
16 concerning a trip in the service of the authorized carrier. The  
17 paperwork required before the lessor can receive payment is limited  
18 to those documents necessary for the authorized carrier to secure  
19 payment from the shipper. The authorized carrier may require the  
20 submission of additional documents by the lessor but not as a  
21 prerequisite to payment;

22 8. The lease shall clearly specify the right of those lessors  
23 whose revenue is based on a percentage of the gross revenue for a  
24 shipment to examine copies of the authorized carrier's freight bill

1 before or at the time of settlement. The lease shall clearly  
2 specify the right of the lessor, regardless of method of  
3 compensation, to examine copies of the carrier's tariff;

4 9. The lease shall clearly specify all items that may be  
5 initially paid for by the authorized carrier, but ultimately  
6 deducted from the lessor's compensation at the time of payment or  
7 settlement together with a recitation as to how the amount of each  
8 item is to be computed. The lessor shall be afforded copies of  
9 those documents which are necessary to determine the validity of the  
10 charge;

11 10. The lease shall specify that the lessor is not required to  
12 purchase or rent any products, equipment, or services from the  
13 authorized carrier as a condition of entering into the lease  
14 arrangement;

15 11. As it relates to insurance:

16 a. the lease shall clearly specify the legal obligation  
17 of the authorized carrier to maintain insurance  
18 coverage for the protection of the public, and

19 b. the lease shall clearly specify the conditions under  
20 which deductions for cargo or property damage may be  
21 made from the lessor's settlements. The lease shall  
22 further specify that the authorized carrier must  
23 provide the lessor with a written explanation and  
24 itemization of any deductions for cargo or property

1 damage made from any compensation of money owed to the  
2 lessor. The written explanation and itemization must  
3 be delivered to the lessor before any deductions are  
4 made; and

5 12. An original and two copies of each lease shall be signed by  
6 the parties. The authorized carrier shall keep the original and  
7 shall place a copy of the lease in the equipment during the period  
8 of the lease. The owner of the equipment shall keep the other copy  
9 of the lease.

10 D. The provisions of this section shall apply to the leasing of  
11 equipment with which to perform household goods transportation by  
12 motor carriers.

13 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 170.1, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 170.1 A. Upon any complaint in writing under oath  
16 being made by any person, or by the Corporation Commission of its  
17 own motion, setting forth any act or thing done or omitted to be  
18 done by any person in violation, or claimed violation, of any  
19 provision of law, or of any order or rule of the Commission, the  
20 Commission shall enter same upon its docket and shall immediately  
21 serve a copy thereof upon each defendant together with a notice  
22 directed to each defendant requiring that the matter complained of  
23 be answered, in writing, within ten (10) days of the date of service  
24 of such notice, provided that the Commission may, in its discretion,

1 require particular cases to be answered within a shorter time, and  
2 the Commission may, for good cause shown, extend the time in which  
3 an answer may be filed.

4       Upon the filing of the answer herein provided for, the  
5 Commission shall set a time and place for the hearing, and notice of  
6 the time and place of the hearing shall be served not less than ten  
7 (10) days before the time set therefor, unless the Commission shall  
8 find that public necessity requires the hearing at an earlier date.

9       B. The Commission may, in all matters within its jurisdiction,  
10 issue subpoenas, subpoenas duces tecum, and all necessary process in  
11 proceedings pending before the Commission; may administer oaths,  
12 examine witnesses, compel the production of records, books, papers,  
13 files, documents, contracts, correspondence, agreements, or accounts  
14 necessary for any investigation being conducted, and certify  
15 official acts.

16       C. In case of failure on the part of any person to comply with  
17 any lawful order of the Commission, or of any Commissioner, or with  
18 any subpoena or subpoena duces tecum, or to testify concerning any  
19 matter on which he may be lawfully interrogated, the Commission may  
20 compel obedience by proceedings for contempt as in the case of  
21 disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena, or of the refusal to  
22 testify.

23       D. Witnesses who are summoned before the Commission shall be  
24 paid the same fees and mileage as are paid to witnesses in courts of

1 record. Any party to a proceeding at whose instance a subpoena is  
2 issued and served shall pay the costs incident thereto and the fees  
3 for mileage of all his witnesses.

4 E. In the event any process shall be directed to any  
5 nonresident who is authorized to do business in this state, the  
6 process may be served upon the agent designated by the nonresident  
7 for the service of process, and service upon the agent shall be as  
8 sufficient and as effective as if served upon the nonresident.

9 F. All process issued by the Commission shall extend to all  
10 parts of the state and any such process, together with the service  
11 of all notices issued by the Commission, as well as copies of  
12 complaints, rules, orders and regulations of the Commission, may be  
13 served by any person authorized to serve process issued out of  
14 courts of record, or by certified mail.

15 G. After the conclusion of any hearing, the Commission shall,  
16 within sixty (60) days, make and file its findings and order, with  
17 its opinion. Its findings shall be in sufficient detail to enable  
18 any court in which any action of the Commission is involved to  
19 determine the controverted questions presented by the proceeding. A  
20 copy of such order, certified under the seal of the Commission,  
21 shall be served upon the person against whom it runs, or the  
22 attorney of the person, and notice thereof shall be given to the  
23 other parties to the proceedings or their attorneys. The order  
24 shall take effect and become operative within fifteen (15) days



1 after the service thereof, unless otherwise provided. If an order  
2 cannot, in the judgment of the Commission, be complied with within  
3 fifteen (15) days, the Commission may grant and prescribe such  
4 additional time as in its judgment is reasonably necessary to comply  
5 with the order, and may, on application and for good cause shown,  
6 extend the time for compliance fixed in the order.

7 H. In the event the Commission finds that the defendant is  
8 guilty upon any complaint filed and proceeding had and that the  
9 provisions of law, or the rules, regulations or orders of this  
10 Commission have been willfully and knowingly violated and the  
11 violator holds a permit or certificate or license issued by the  
12 Commission authorizing it to engage in the transportation of persons  
13 or property for hire, then such permit or certificate or license may  
14 also be revoked by the Commission.

15 I. Where a complaint is instituted by any person other than the  
16 Commission of its own motion and in the event the Commission should  
17 find that the complaint was not in good faith, the complaining party  
18 shall be required to pay the defendant's attorney's fee, the fee to  
19 be prescribed by the Commission in accordance with applicable  
20 Oklahoma Bar Association standards.

21 J. Any person aggrieved by any findings and order of the  
22 Commission may appeal to the Supreme Court in the way and manner now  
23 or hereafter provided for appeals from the district court to the  
24 Supreme Court.

1 SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 170.2, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 170.2 A. The Department of Public Safety, monthly,  
4 shall notify the ~~Oklahoma~~ Corporation Commission of any ticket  
5 issued for a violation of the provisions of Section 14-119 of this  
6 title, or any provisions of Chapter 14 of this title or the terms of  
7 any special permit authorized pursuant to the provisions of Chapter  
8 14 of this title concerning overweight or overweight special  
9 permits.

10 B. Truck overweight violations by motor carriers or private  
11 carriers shall be considered contempt of Commission motor carrier  
12 rules, tariffs and regulations. The Commission shall establish a  
13 specific rule whereby such overweight violations by motor carriers  
14 or private carriers shall be grounds for issuance of a show-cause  
15 order for consideration of temporary or permanent cancellation of  
16 operating authority or license. In establishing the rule,  
17 consideration shall be given to the frequency of violations, pattern  
18 of violations, fleet size, type of operation, amount of overweight,  
19 and other such factors that may indicate intent. Any person, firm,  
20 or corporation that assists in the commission of such overweight  
21 violation or refuses to comply with any rule, regulation, or order  
22 of the Commission relating thereto shall be guilty of contempt of  
23 the Commission and shall be subject to a fine to be imposed by said  
24 Commission in a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) on

1 each violation. In the specific instance of an overweight  
2 violation, the transportation of each load shall constitute a  
3 separate violation. The same fine assessed against the motor  
4 carrier or private carrier shall apply to any other person, firm, or  
5 corporation that aids or abets such violations. Provided however,  
6 no motor carrier, private carrier, shipper or person loading or  
7 causing a motor vehicle to be loaded shall be subject to a fine for  
8 contempt unless the gross weight of the motor vehicle is more than  
9 five thousand (5,000) pounds overweight.

10 C. The Commission, in its discretion and on its own motion, may  
11 make a contempt complaint in writing under oath setting forth the  
12 violation, enter the complaint on its docket, and proceed with the  
13 matter in accordance with the provisions of Sections 161 et seq. of  
14 this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

15 SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 171, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 171. All monies accruing to the "~~Corporation~~ Commission  
18 Revolving Fund" are hereby appropriated to the Corporation  
19 Commission.

20 The ~~Corporation~~ Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to  
21 employ such extra help as may be necessary to carry out the  
22 provisions of this act for the enforcement of the law and the  
23 collection of taxes set forth herein, said employees to be paid from  
24 the appropriations made in this section. Provided, such employees

1 shall be paid such salaries or compensation as is paid for similar  
2 service in this state in the same or other departments of the state.  
3 The ~~Corporation~~ Commission is hereby authorized to pay from the  
4 "~~Corporation Commission Revolving Fund~~" such extra operating  
5 expenses as may be attributable to the enforcement of this act, in  
6 the same manner and form as other expenses are paid.

7        Provided further, such employees shall be such extra help as may  
8 be in the judgment of the ~~Corporation~~ Commission necessary to aid in  
9 the enforcement of this act in addition to the positions hereinafter  
10 created; the salaries and expenses of the positions hereinafter  
11 created shall be paid out of funds appropriated by the general  
12 departmental appropriations act.

13        SECTION 13.        AMENDATORY        47 O.S. 2011, Section 171.1, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15        Section 171.1 In addition to other uses authorized by law,  
16 funds provided to the Corporation Commission Revolving Fund pursuant  
17 to Sections 165, 177.2 and 180h of this title shall be expended as  
18 follows:

19        1. The Corporation Commission Transportation Division shall  
20 employ four special motor carrier enforcement officers and one  
21 supervisor-officer who shall have the primary duty of investigating  
22 and assisting in the prosecution of persons engaged in unauthorized  
23 transportation or disposal of deleterious substances as contemplated  
24 under the provisions of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Act and any other

1 applicable provisions of law. Such employees shall be compensated  
2 as for similar service in the same or other departments of the state  
3 and an expense allowance of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month  
4 for maintenance and cleaning of uniforms and other related expenses  
5 shall be paid to such employees. Nothing in this section regarding  
6 expense allowances shall be construed to mean that such employees  
7 shall receive any additional compensation beyond what is provided  
8 for maintenance and cleaning of uniforms and other related expenses  
9 by the ~~Corporation~~ Commission ~~on the effective date of this act.~~

10 2. The Commission shall purchase a sufficient number of motor  
11 vehicles to provide each motor carrier enforcement officer employed  
12 in the Transportation Division a motor vehicle suitable to carry out  
13 the enforcement provisions of applicable law. Said vehicles shall  
14 be appropriately marked as official state vehicles and radio-  
15 equipped. All costs for operation, maintenance and replacement of  
16 the motor vehicles authorized in this section shall be provided for  
17 from the Corporation Commission Revolving Fund.

18 3. The Commission shall employ a hearing officer whose primary  
19 responsibility shall be the adjudication of enforcement proceedings  
20 and complaints brought against persons engaged in unauthorized  
21 transportation or disposal of deleterious substances or other  
22 unauthorized transportation in violation of the Oklahoma Motor  
23 Carrier Act or the rules and regulations of motor carriers as  
24 promulgated by the ~~Corporation~~ Commission.

1 SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 172, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 172. A. Every owner of any motor vehicle, the agents  
4 or employees of the owner, and every other person who violates or  
5 fails to comply with or procures, aids, or abets in the violation of  
6 Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of  
7 1995, or who fails to obey, observe, or comply with any order,  
8 decision, rule or regulation, direction, demand, or requirement of  
9 the Corporation Commission, or who procures, aids or abets any  
10 corporation or person in the person's, or its, refusal or willful  
11 failure to obey, observe or comply with any such order, decision,  
12 rule, direction, demand, or regulation shall be deemed guilty of a  
13 misdemeanor. Upon conviction in a criminal court of competent  
14 jurisdiction, such misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not  
15 exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

16 B. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission shall report to the Attorney  
17 General of this state and the district attorney of the proper county  
18 having jurisdiction of such offense, any violation of any of the  
19 provisions of Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor  
20 Carrier Act of 1995 or any rule of the ~~Corporation~~ Commission  
21 promulgated pursuant to the provisions of Sections 161 through 180m  
22 of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, by any motor vehicle  
23 owner, agent or employee of such owner, or any other person. Upon  
24 receipt of such report, the Attorney General or the district

1 attorney of the proper county having jurisdiction of such offense  
2 shall institute criminal or civil proceedings against such offender  
3 in the proper court having jurisdiction of such offense. Any  
4 willful failure on the part of members of the ~~Corperation~~  
5 Commission, the Attorney General or any district attorney, to comply  
6 with the provisions of this section, shall be deemed official  
7 misconduct. The ~~Corperation~~ Commission shall report such complaints  
8 so made to the Governor of this state who shall direct and cause the  
9 laws of this state to be enforced.

10 C. Any person failing, neglecting or refusing to comply with  
11 the provisions of Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the  
12 Motor Carrier Act of 1995, or with any rule, regulation, or  
13 requirement of the ~~Corperation~~ Commission promulgated pursuant to  
14 the provisions of Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the  
15 Motor Carrier Act of 1995, shall be guilty of contempt of the  
16 ~~Corperation~~ Commission, and shall be subject to a fine to be imposed  
17 by the ~~Corperation~~ Commission in a sum not exceeding Five Hundred  
18 Dollars (\$500.00). Each day on which such contempt occurs shall be  
19 deemed a separate and distinct offense. The maximum fine to be  
20 assessed on each day shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). All  
21 fines collected pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be  
22 deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the ~~Corperation~~  
23 ~~Commission~~ Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund, as created in Section 1167  
24 of this title. This subsection shall not apply in the specific

1 instance of load capacity violations or violations applicable to the  
2 transportation or discharge of deleterious substances provided for  
3 by specific statutory provisions.

4 D. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission shall appoint a director of  
5 transportation, a deputy director, an insurance supervisor, an  
6 insurance clerk, two stenographers, a secretary to the director, an  
7 identification device supervisor and an assistant identification  
8 device supervisor at such salaries as the Legislature may from time  
9 to time prescribe. The employees shall be allowed actual and  
10 necessary travel expenses pursuant to the provisions of the State  
11 Travel Reimbursement Act. All of the expense claims shall be  
12 presented and paid monthly.

13 E. Enforcement officers, appointed by the ~~Corporation~~  
14 Commission, and assigned to a weigh station are hereby declared to  
15 be peace officers of this state. Such officers assigned to a weigh  
16 station shall be vested with all powers of peace officers in  
17 enforcing the provisions of Sections 161 through 180m of this title  
18 and the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 ~~in all parts of this state~~ when on  
19 duty at or within seven (7) miles of a weigh station.

20 The powers and duties conferred upon said enforcement officers  
21 assigned to a weigh station shall in no way limit the powers and  
22 duties of sheriffs or other peace officers of the state, or any  
23 political subdivision thereof, or of members of the Division of  
24 Highway Patrol, subject to the Department of Public Safety.



1 F. The enforcement officers when on duty at or within seven (7)  
2 miles of a weigh station, upon reasonable belief that any motor  
3 vehicle is being operated in violation of any provisions of Sections  
4 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995,  
5 shall be authorized to require the driver of the vehicle to stop and  
6 submit to an inspection of the identification device, or devices, in  
7 the vehicle, and to submit to such enforcement officer bills of  
8 lading, waybills, or other evidences of the character of the  
9 commerce being transported in such vehicle, and to submit to an  
10 inspection of the contents of such vehicle for the purpose of  
11 comparing same with bills of lading or shipping documentation,  
12 waybills, or other evidences of transportation carried by the driver  
13 of the vehicle. ~~The officers shall not have the right to plea~~  
14 ~~bargain.~~

15 G. The enforcement officers are authorized to serve all  
16 warrants, writs, and notices issued by the ~~Corporation~~ Commission  
17 relating to the enforcement of the provisions of Sections 161  
18 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 and the  
19 rules, regulations, and requirements prescribed by the ~~Corporation~~  
20 Commission promulgated pursuant to Sections 161 through 180m of this  
21 title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

22 H. The enforcement officers shall not have the power or right  
23 of search, nor shall they have the right of power of seizure, except  
24 as provided in Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor

1 Carrier Act of 1995. The enforcement officers are authorized to  
2 hold and detain any motor vehicle operating upon the highways of  
3 this state, ~~if,~~ the enforcement officer is at or within seven (7)  
4 miles of a weigh station and has reason to believe that the vehicle  
5 is being operated contrary to the provisions of Sections 161 through  
6 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, or the rules,  
7 regulations, and requirements of the ~~Corporation~~ Commission  
8 promulgated pursuant to Sections 161 through 180m of this title or  
9 the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

10 I. No state official, other than members of the Corporation  
11 Commission, shall have any power, right, or authority to command,  
12 order, or direct any enforcement officer to perform or not perform  
13 any duty or service authorized by Sections 161 through 180m of this  
14 title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

15 J. ~~Each of the enforcement~~ Enforcement officers who staff a  
16 weigh station shall, before entering upon the discharge of their  
17 duties, take and subscribe to the usual oath of office and shall  
18 execute to the State of Oklahoma a bond in the sum of Twenty-five  
19 Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) each, with sufficient surety for the  
20 faithful performance of their duty. The bond shall be approved and  
21 filed as provided by law.

22 K. No enforcement officer or employee of the ~~Oklahoma~~  
23 ~~Corporation~~ Commission shall have the right to plea bargain in motor  
24 carrier or motor transportation matters except the chief legal

1 counsel of the Commission or an assign of the legal staff of the  
2 chief legal counsel.

3 SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 177.2, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 177.2 A. No motor carrier shall engage in the business  
6 of transporting any salt water, mineral brines, waste oil and other  
7 deleterious substances produced from or obtained or used in  
8 connection with the drilling, development, producing and operating  
9 of oil and gas wells and brine wells, for any valuable consideration  
10 whatever, or in any quantity over twenty (20) gallons, without a  
11 license authorizing such operation and a deleterious substance  
12 transport permit to be issued by the Corporation Commission.

13 Provided, transportation of such substances by private carrier of  
14 property by motor vehicle shall require a deleterious substance  
15 transport permit.

16 B. No carrier shall transport deleterious substances under a  
17 carrier license issued by the Commission until such time as the  
18 carrier has been issued a deleterious substance transport permit.

19 C. No deleterious substance transport permit shall be issued to  
20 a motor carrier or private carrier until the carrier has furnished  
21 written proof of access to a Class II disposal well or wells. Said  
22 written proof of access shall be provided by the owner of such  
23 disposal well. Such disposal well must first be approved by the  
24 ~~Corporation~~ Commission as adequate to meet the need for proper

1 disposal of all substances which the applicant may reasonably be  
2 expected to transport as a motor carrier or private carrier.  
3 Provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed as  
4 prohibiting the disposition of such deleterious substances in a  
5 disposal well that is owned by a person other than the transporter.

6 D. The Commission shall maintain a current list of such  
7 permits. The Commission shall charge such annual deleterious  
8 substance transport permitting fees as will cover the cost of  
9 issuing such licenses and an annual fee of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars  
10 (\$250.00) for each such deleterious substance transport license.  
11 Proceeds from the fees shall be deposited by the Commission in the  
12 State Treasury to the credit of the Corporation Commission Revolving  
13 Fund. The provisions of this section are supplemental and are in  
14 addition to the laws applicable to motor carriers.

15 SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 177.3, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 177.3 A. It shall be unlawful for a motor carrier,  
18 whether private, common, or contract, to dump, disperse, or  
19 otherwise release substances described in Section 177.2 of this  
20 title upon a public highway or elsewhere except on property or in  
21 wells, reservoirs, or other receptacles owned, held, leased, or  
22 otherwise rightfully and legally available to the motor carrier for  
23 such use and purpose.

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1 B. It shall be unlawful for any motor truck or tank vehicle  
2 used to transport substances described in Section 177.2 of this  
3 title to have a release device located or operated in any manner  
4 from within the cab of such a motor vehicle.

5 C. Any violation of the provisions of subsections A or B of  
6 this section shall constitute a misdemeanor. It shall be the duty  
7 of the prosecuting attorney of the county in which a violation of  
8 the provisions of this section occurs to file and prosecute the  
9 aforementioned misdemeanor charge and advise the Corporation  
10 Commission of such action and the results thereof.

11 D. The ~~Oklahoma Corporation~~ Commission may initiate contempt  
12 proceedings for any violation concerning disposal by a carrier of a  
13 substance described in Section 177.2 of this title. The first  
14 violation proven by the Commission in any calendar year shall result  
15 in a motor carrier or private carrier being warned by the Commission  
16 and, upon conviction, fined up to Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars  
17 (\$2,500.00). A second violation proven by the Commission in any  
18 calendar year shall result in a motor carrier or private carrier  
19 being placed on probation and fined up to Five Thousand Dollars  
20 (\$5,000.00) by the Commission. A third violation proven by the  
21 Commission in any calendar year shall result in a fine of up to  
22 Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), and, at the discretion of the  
23 Commission, cancellation of the carrier's license for a period up to  
24 one (1) year and cancellation of a motor carrier or private carrier

1 deleterious substance transport permit. The driver of a truck, who  
2 is not the owner of the vehicle used in any violation ~~of this~~  
3 ~~section~~ described in Section 177.2 of this title or any violation of  
4 the rules and regulations of the ~~Oklahoma Corporation~~ Commission,  
5 shall be adjudicated a codefendant and subject to a fine equal to  
6 ten percent (10%) of the fine assessed to the owner of such vehicle,  
7 up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

8 SECTION 17. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Section 180. The following words and phrases, when used in this  
11 act, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to like words and  
12 phrases by the motor carrier statutes of Oklahoma, except as herein  
13 provided:

14 1. The term "identification application" shall mean the  
15 application as provided by the Corporation Commission, for making  
16 application for motor carrier vehicle identification devices; and

17 2. The term "identification device" shall mean the motor  
18 carrier vehicle identification device issued by the Commission under  
19 the provisions of this act for the purpose of identifying powered  
20 motor carrier vehicles operated under and coming within the  
21 provisions of this act or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

22 SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180a, is  
23 amended to read as follows:

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1 Section 180a. It is hereby declared unlawful for any motor  
2 carrier, his or its agents or employees to operate any powered motor  
3 vehicle, as a motor carrier for hire, within this state, without the  
4 identification device issued by the Corporation Commission, said  
5 device to be displayed as provided by the rules of the Commission.

6 SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180b, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Section 180b. The identification device shall be the property  
9 of the Corporation Commission at all times, and shall be subject to  
10 seizure and confiscation by the Commission for any good cause and at  
11 the will of the Commission.

12 SECTION 20. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180c, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 180c. The Corporation Commission may issue an order for  
15 the seizure and confiscation and return to the Commission of any  
16 identification device or devices, for any of the following reasons,  
17 and to direct said order or orders to any officer of the State of  
18 Oklahoma charged with the duties of enforcing the provisions of this  
19 act and/or any other section of the motor carrier law now in force  
20 or hereinafter enacted:

21 1. In all cases where the motor carrier has permitted the  
22 insurance coverage, as required by law to be filed with the  
23 Commission, to lapse or become cancelled or for any reason to become  
24 void and fail to meet the requirements as provided by law;

1           2. For failure on the part of any motor carrier, his or its  
2 agents or employees to comply with any part or provision of this  
3 act, or any other act or law or part or provision thereof relative  
4 to the legal operation of a for-hire motor carrier or to obey,  
5 observe or comply with any order, decision, rule or regulation,  
6 direction, demand or requirement, or any part or provision thereof,  
7 of the Commission;

8           3. Upon the cancellation or revocation of the certificate or  
9 permit or IRC or license under which said identification device or  
10 devices were issued; or

11           4. For operating any powered motor vehicle in violation of the  
12 terms and provisions of this act or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995  
13 and all applicable size and weight laws and safety standards of this  
14 state.

15           SECTION 21.           AMENDATORY           47 O.S. 2011, Section 180d, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17           Section 180d. The Corporation Commission shall have the power  
18 and authority by general order or otherwise to promulgate rules and  
19 regulations for the administration and enforcement of the provisions  
20 of this act or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

21           SECTION 22.           AMENDATORY           47 O.S. 2011, Section 180e, is  
22 amended to read as follows:

23           Section 180e. The Corporation Commission, in its discretion, is  
24 authorized to provide for decals, cab cards, or other suitable



1 methods of identification to be displayed on or carried in the truck  
2 or powered motor vehicle.

3 SECTION 23. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180f, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 180f. The Corporation Commission is hereby authorized  
6 to purchase said identification devices in sufficient amounts to  
7 supply the demand, and to purchase such other officer supplies and  
8 equipment as is necessary to administer and enforce the provisions  
9 of this act or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, and to pay for, or  
10 cause the same to be paid for, out of the appropriation provided  
11 therefor.

12 SECTION 24. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180g, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 180g. It shall be the duty of the Corporation  
15 Commission to provide identification devices upon written  
16 application of any authorized motor carrier.

17 Upon written application of any authorized motor carrier holding  
18 a certificate or permit or license issued by the Commission, the  
19 Commission shall issue to the motor carrier a sufficient number of  
20 identification devices so that each powered vehicle owned or to be  
21 operated by the motor carrier in the state shall bear one  
22 identification device. Identification devices shall be issued on an  
23 annual basis, and applications shall be made annually on the form  
24 prescribed by the Commission, and any motor carrier operating a

1 powered vehicle without a current identification device shall be in  
2 violation of the provisions of Sections 180 through 180m of this  
3 title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

4 It is hereby declared unlawful for any motor carrier, or agents  
5 or employees of any motor carrier, to use or transfer an  
6 identification device except as provided by rules of the Commission.

7 SECTION 25. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180h, is  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 Section 180h. The Corporation Commission is hereby authorized  
10 to collect from applicants for motor carrier and private carrier  
11 identification devices a fee of Seven Dollars (\$7.00) for  
12 registration of each of its vehicles registered under the provisions  
13 of this act or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995; ~~and the~~. The fee  
14 shall be in addition to any other fees now provided for by law for  
15 the registration of said motor vehicles and shall be deposited in  
16 the State Treasury to the credit of the Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund.

17 SECTION 26. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180k, is  
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 180k. All records of the Corporation Commission under  
20 this act shall be maintained ~~in~~, and classified as all other  
21 records, in the Transportation Division of the ~~Corporation~~  
22 Commission.

23 SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180l, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

1 Section 1801. The Corporation Commission is hereby authorized  
2 and empowered, on behalf of the State of Oklahoma, and when it shall  
3 deem it to be in the best interest of the residents of this state so  
4 to do, to enter into reciprocal compacts and agreements with other  
5 states, or the authorized agencies thereof, when such states have  
6 made provisions substantially similar to this section, respecting  
7 the regulation of motor vehicles engaged in interstate or foreign  
8 commerce upon and over the public highways. And such compacts and  
9 agreements may provide for the granting, to the residents of such  
10 states, privileges substantially similar to those granted thereby to  
11 Oklahoma residents~~;~~ provided: ~~(1)~~

12 1. That no such compact or agreement shall supersede or suspend  
13 the operation of any law, rule or regulation of the State of  
14 Oklahoma which shall apply to vehicles operated intrastate in the  
15 State of Oklahoma; ~~(2)~~

16 2. That any privileges, the granting of which shall be provided  
17 by any such compact or agreement, shall extend only in cases of full  
18 compliance with the laws of the state joining in such compact or  
19 agreement; ~~(3)~~

20 3. That no such compact or agreement shall supersede or suspend  
21 the operation of any law of the State of Oklahoma other than those  
22 applying to the payment of fees for registration certificates or  
23 identification devices; and ~~(4)~~

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1        4. That the powers and authority of the Oklahoma Tax Commission  
2 to administer and enforce the tax laws of this state, pertaining to  
3 the taxation of motor vehicles, shall be in no manner superseded or  
4 suspended; and

5        5. That the powers, duties and authority of the Department of  
6 Public Safety to enforce the laws of this state shall not be  
7 superseded or suspended in any manner.

8        SECTION 28.        AMENDATORY        47 O.S. 2011, Section 180m, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10        Section 180m. In addition to all other duties as provided by  
11 law, it is hereby declared to be, and shall be the duty of all  
12 sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, district attorneys, enforcement officers  
13 appointed by the Corporation Commission ~~of the State of Oklahoma,~~  
14 assigned to weigh stations and at or within seven (7) miles of a  
15 weigh station and all highway patrolmen within the State of  
16 Oklahoma:

17        1. To enforce the provisions of Sections 180 through 180m of  
18 this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995;

19        2. To apprehend and detain any motor vehicle or vehicles and  
20 driver or operator and their aides who are operating any motor  
21 vehicle, upon or along the highways of this state, for a reasonable  
22 length of time, for the purpose of investigating and determining  
23 whether such vehicle is being operated in violation of any of the  
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1 provisions of Sections 180 through 180m of this title or the Motor  
2 Carrier Act of 1995;

3 3. To make arrests for the violation of the provisions of  
4 Sections 180 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of  
5 1995, without the necessity of procuring a warrant;

6 4. To sign the necessary complaint and to cause the violator or  
7 violators to be promptly arraigned before a court of competent  
8 jurisdiction for trial;

9 5. To aid and assist in the prosecution of the violator or  
10 violators in the name of the State of Oklahoma to the end that this  
11 law shall be enforced;

12 6. To report all such arrests for violations of Sections 180  
13 through 180m of this title to the Corporation Commission ~~of Oklahoma~~  
14 within ten (10) days after making such arrest and to furnish such  
15 information concerning same as the Commission may request; and

16 7. At the request of the ~~Corporation~~ Commission, to seize and  
17 confiscate any and all identification devices and to forward the  
18 same to the ~~Corporation~~ Commission for cancellation.

19 SECTION 29. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 224, is  
20 amended to read as follows:

21 Section 224. Any city of this state may, by a duly-adopted  
22 ordinance, in any manner deemed best for the interest of the city,  
23 regulate the operation within the corporate limits of the city of  
24 auto buses, not operated under a certificate of convenience and

1 necessity or permit or license issued by the Corporation Commission,  
2 for the transportation of passengers for hire to or from a point or  
3 points outside the corporate limits of the city, and to or from  
4 points within the corporate limits of the city.

5 SECTION 30. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 225, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 225. Any city of this state may, by a duly adopted  
8 ordinance, prohibit any auto bus, being operated under a certificate  
9 of convenience and necessity or permit or license issued by the  
10 Corporation Commission ~~of Oklahoma~~ transporting passengers for hire  
11 to, from or through said city from stopping, except in cases of  
12 accident or other emergencies, on the streets or alleys within a  
13 specified area of the city where the traffic is congested, and  
14 loading and unloading passengers while so stopped; and also prohibit  
15 the parking of any such automobile or auto bus on the streets or  
16 alleys in such congested area. Nothing contained in this act shall  
17 authorize any city or town to designate the location of passenger  
18 terminals or bus stations.

19 SECTION 31. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 228.3, is  
20 amended to read as follows:

21 Section 228.3 The ~~Oklahoma~~ Corporation Commission shall  
22 establish an intrastate motor transportation fuel surcharge for  
23 common carriers of household goods or used emigrant movables by  
24 motor vehicles over irregular routes that shall in no instance be

1 less than that established by the ~~Interstate Commerce Commission~~  
2 United States Department of Transportation for interstate  
3 transportation by like carriers.

4 SECTION 32. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 228.4, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Section 228.4 Except as provided herein, the provisions of  
7 Sections 161 through 180m of ~~Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this  
8 title are expressly made applicable to any certificate or permit  
9 issued under this act.

10 SECTION 33. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.2, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 230.2 A. The Legislature finds:

13 1. That the volume of hazardous and nonhazardous materials  
14 transported by motor carriers within this state is substantial and  
15 the need exists to improve the enforcement of safety-related aspects  
16 of motor carrier transportation for both interstate and intrastate  
17 motor carriers which is consistent with federal standards and  
18 regulations-; i

19 2. That hazardous materials are essential for various  
20 industrial, commercial, and other purposes, that their  
21 transportation is a necessary incident to their use, and that the  
22 transportation is required for the economic prosperity of the people  
23 of the State of Oklahoma-; i

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1           3. That the highway movement of hazardous and nonhazardous  
2 materials poses a substantial danger to the health and safety of the  
3 citizens of this state unless such materials are handled and  
4 transported in a safe and prudent manner; and

5           4. That it is in the public interest and within the police  
6 power of the state to provide for the regulation of the safety\_  
7 related aspects of motor carrier transportation and the handling and  
8 transportation of hazardous materials.

9           B. It is therefore declared to be the policy of the State of  
10 Oklahoma to provide regulatory and enforcement authority to the  
11 ~~Oklahoma~~ Department of Public Safety to improve safety\_  
12 aspects of motor carrier transportation and to protect the people  
13 against the risk to life and property inherent in the transportation  
14 of property, including hazardous materials, over highways and the  
15 handling and storage incidental thereto, by keeping such risk to a  
16 minimum consistent with technical feasibility and economic  
17 reasonableness and to provide uniform regulation of intrastate  
18 transportation of property, including hazardous materials,  
19 consistent with federal regulation of interstate transportation.

20           C. It is not the intent of the Legislature to regulate the  
21 movement of hazardous materials in such quantities that would not  
22 pose a substantial danger to the public health and safety, and the  
23 Department may provide for exemptions as provided for in federal  
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1 regulations for farm use, and other appropriate exemptions  
2 consistent with federal regulations.

3 SECTION 34. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.3, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 230.3 As used in the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and  
6 Hazardous Materials Transportation Act:

7 1. "Commerce" means trade, traffic, commerce or transportation  
8 within this state;

9 2. "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Safety;

10 3. "Department" means the ~~Oklahoma~~ Department of Public Safety;

11 4. "Discharge" means leakage, seepage or other release of  
12 hazardous materials;

13 5. "Hazardous material" means a substance or material in a  
14 quantity and form determined by the United States Department of  
15 Transportation to be capable of posing an unreasonable risk to  
16 health and safety or property when transported in commerce;

17 6. "Person" means any natural person or individual,  
18 governmental body, firm, association, partnership, copartnership,  
19 joint venture, company, corporation, joint stock company, trust,  
20 estate or any other legal entity or their legal representative,  
21 agent or assigns; and

22 7. "Transports" or "transportation" means any movement of  
23 property over the highway and any loading, unloading or storage  
24 incidental to such movement.

1 SECTION 35. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.4, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 230.4 To the extent necessary to administer the  
4 Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation  
5 Act, and consistent with budget and manpower limitations, the  
6 Commissioner:

7 1. ~~shall~~ Shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations in  
8 order to carry out the provisions of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier  
9 Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act relating to motor  
10 carrier safety in the transportation of property and hazardous  
11 materials in intrastate and interstate commerce, and to coordinate  
12 the implementation of a transportation emergency response system;

13 2. ~~may~~ May adopt by reference and enforce all or any portion of  
14 the federal motor carrier safety regulations and the hazardous  
15 materials regulations of the United States Department of  
16 Transportation, as now or hereafter amended;

17 3. ~~shall~~ Shall conduct a continuing review of all aspects of  
18 motor carrier safety and the transportation of property, including  
19 hazardous materials, in order to determine and recommend appropriate  
20 steps to assure safe transportation;

21 4. ~~may~~ May authorize any officer, employee or agent of the  
22 Department to:

23 a. conduct investigations; make reports; issue subpoenas;  
24 conduct hearings; require the production of relevant

1 documents, records and property; take depositions; and  
2 conduct directly or indirectly research, development,  
3 demonstration and training activities,

4 b. enter upon, inspect and examine at reasonable times  
5 and in a reasonable manner, the records and properties  
6 of persons to the extent such records and properties  
7 relate to motor carrier safety or the transportation  
8 or shipment of hazardous materials in commerce, and to  
9 inspect and copy records and papers of carriers and  
10 other persons to carry out the purposes of the  
11 Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials  
12 Transportation Act,

13 c. stop and inspect any driver or commercial motor  
14 vehicle for any violation of the Oklahoma Motor  
15 Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation  
16 Act or rules and regulations issued pursuant thereto,

17 d. declare and mark any transport vehicle or container as  
18 out of service if its condition, filling, equipment or  
19 protective devices would be hazardous to life or  
20 property during transportation, or if records thereof  
21 reflect such hazard, or if required records are  
22 incomplete,

23 e. prohibit any commercial driver from transporting  
24 hazardous materials if such driver is unqualified or

1 disqualified under any federal or department  
2 regulation, and

3 f. administer and enforce the provisions of the Oklahoma  
4 Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials  
5 Transportation Act and any rules and regulations  
6 issued pursuant thereto.

7 Any such officer, employee or agent shall, upon request,  
8 display proper credentials prescribed or approved by the  
9 Commissioner.

10 SECTION 36. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.5, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 230.5 Motor carriers and other persons subject to the  
13 Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation  
14 Act shall make available for inspection and copying their accounts,  
15 books, records, memoranda, correspondence, and other documents, and  
16 shall allow their lands, buildings and equipment to be examined and  
17 inspected by any officer, employee, or agent of the Department of  
18 Public Safety, including ~~members~~ officers of the Oklahoma Highway  
19 Patrol, upon demand and display of the credentials issued by the  
20 ~~Commissioner~~ Corporation Commission.

21 SECTION 37. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.6, is  
22 amended to read as follows:

23 Section 230.6 A. No person prohibited from operating a  
24 commercial vehicle shall operate such commercial motor vehicle, nor

1 shall any person authorize or require a person who has been  
2 prohibited from such operation of a motor vehicle to operate a  
3 commercial motor vehicle.

4 B. No person shall operate, authorize, or require the operation  
5 of any vehicle or the use of any container that has been marked out  
6 of service until all required corrections have been made, except  
7 upon approval of the Department of Public Safety such vehicle or  
8 container may be moved to another location for the purpose of repair  
9 or correction.

10 C. No person shall remove an out-of-service marking from a  
11 transport vehicle or container unless all required corrections have  
12 been made and the vehicle or container has been inspected and  
13 approved by an authorized officer, employee, or agent of the  
14 Department.

15 D. No employer shall knowingly allow, require, permit or  
16 authorize an employee to operate a commercial motor vehicle:

17 1. During any period in which the employee:

18 a. has had driving privileges to operate a commercial  
19 motor vehicle suspended, revoked, canceled, denied or  
20 disqualified,

21 b. has had driving privileges to operate a commercial  
22 motor vehicle disqualified for life,

23 c. is not licensed to operate a commercial motor vehicle,  
24 or

1 d. has more than one commercial driver license;

2 2. During any period in which the employee, the commercial  
3 motor vehicle which the employee is operating, the motor carrier  
4 business or operation, or the employer is subject to an out-of-  
5 service order; or

6 3. In violation of a federal, state, or local law, regulation,  
7 or ordinance pertaining to railroad-highway grade crossings.

8 E. An employer who is determined by the Commissioner to have  
9 committed a violation of subsection D of this section shall be  
10 subject to an administrative penalty of not less than Two Thousand  
11 Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) nor more than Ten Thousand Dollars  
12 (\$10,000.00).

13 F. An employee who is determined by the Commissioner to have  
14 committed a violation of any provision of this section shall be  
15 subject to an administrative penalty of not less than One Thousand  
16 One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) nor more than Two Thousand Seven  
17 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,750.00).

18 SECTION 38. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.7, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 230.7 No person shall intentionally discharge or cause  
21 to be discharged the contents of any transport vehicle containing  
22 hazardous material between the points of origin and the points of  
23 billed destination, except as may be authorized by the Department of  
24 Public Safety or a representative of the Department.

1 SECTION 39. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.8, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 230.8 A. Each person involved in an incident or  
4 accident during the transportation, loading, unloading, or related  
5 storage in any place of a hazardous material subject to the  
6 provisions of Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Material  
7 Transportation Act shall immediately report, by telephone, to the  
8 Department if that incident or accident involves:

9 1. ~~a~~ A fatality due to fire, explosion, or exposure to any  
10 hazardous material;

11 2. ~~the~~ The hospitalization of any person due to fire,  
12 explosion, or exposure to any hazardous material;

13 3. ~~a~~ A continuing danger to life, health, or property at the  
14 place of the incident or accident; or

15 4. ~~an~~ An estimated property damage of an amount to be  
16 determined by the Commissioner by ~~regulation~~ rule.

17 B. A written report shall be submitted by the person to the  
18 Department of Public Safety on a form prescribed by the Department,  
19 or in lieu thereof, a copy of the written report submitted to the  
20 United States Department of Transportation. Each report submitted  
21 shall contain the time and date of the incident or accident, a  
22 description of any injuries to persons or property, any continuing  
23 danger to life at the place of the accident or incident, the  
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1 identity and classification of the material, and any other pertinent  
2 details.

3 C. In the case of an incident or accident involving hazardous  
4 materials which is not subject to the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety  
5 and Hazardous Material Transportation Act but which is subject to  
6 Title 46 or Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the carrier  
7 shall send a copy of the report filed with the United States  
8 Department of Transportation to the Department of Public Safety.

9 SECTION 40. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.9, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11 Section 230.9 A. The transportation of any property in  
12 commerce within or through this state, including hazardous materials  
13 or the transportation of passengers for compensation or for hire by  
14 bus, that is not in compliance with the Oklahoma Motor Carrier  
15 Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act or the rules  
16 issued pursuant thereto, is prohibited.

17 B. Pursuant to the provisions of this section and except as  
18 otherwise provided by subsection D of this section, any person who  
19 is determined by the Commissioner of Public Safety to have  
20 committed:

21 1. An act which is a violation of a recordkeeping requirement  
22 of this title or of any rule or regulation promulgated thereto or  
23 the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act of 1984, such person shall be  
24 liable to the State of Oklahoma for an administrative penalty not to



1 exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense, provided that  
2 the total of all administrative penalties assessed against any  
3 violator pursuant to this paragraph for all offenses related to any  
4 single violation shall not exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00);

5 2. An act or acts other than recordkeeping requirements, which  
6 evidences a serious pattern of safety violations, as determined by  
7 the Commissioner, such person shall be liable to the State of  
8 Oklahoma for an administrative penalty not to exceed Two Hundred  
9 Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense, provided the maximum fine for  
10 each pattern of safety violations shall not exceed One Thousand  
11 Dollars (\$1,000.00). The Commissioner may consider present and  
12 prior offenses in determining a serious pattern of safety  
13 violations; or

14 3. An act or acts which evidences to the Commissioner, that a  
15 substantial health or safety violation exists or has occurred which  
16 could reasonably lead to or has resulted in serious personal injury  
17 or death, such person shall be liable to the State of Oklahoma for  
18 an administrative penalty not to exceed One Thousand Dollars  
19 (\$1,000.00) for each offense.

20 C. Each day of violation as specified in subsection B of this  
21 section shall constitute a separate single violation/offense.

22 D. Except for recordkeeping violations, no administrative  
23 penalty shall be assessed pursuant to the provisions of this  
24 section, against an employee of any person subject to the provisions

1 of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials  
2 Transportation Act for a violation unless the Commissioner  
3 determines that such actions of the employee constituted gross  
4 negligence or reckless disregard for safety in which case such  
5 employee shall be liable for an administrative penalty not to exceed  
6 One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

7 E. In determining the amount of any administrative penalty and  
8 the reasonable amount of time for abatement of the violation, the  
9 Commissioner shall include, but not be limited to, consideration of  
10 the nature, circumstances and gravity of the violation, and with  
11 respect to the person found to have committed the violation, the  
12 degree of culpability, history of prior offenses, effect on ability  
13 to continue to do business and such other matters as justice and  
14 public safety may require. In each case, the penalty shall be  
15 calculated to induce further compliance.

16 F. The Commissioner or his designated representative shall  
17 assess the amount of any administrative penalty, after notice and an  
18 opportunity for hearing, by written notice to the violator together  
19 with notice of findings in the case. An appeal therefrom may be  
20 made to the district court of Oklahoma County pursuant to the  
21 provisions of Sections 318 through 323 of Title 75 of the Oklahoma  
22 Statutes.

23 G. An administrative penalty assessed by the Commissioner may  
24 be recovered:

1           1. In an action brought by the Attorney General on behalf of  
2 the State of Oklahoma. However, before referral to the Attorney  
3 General, the administrative penalty may be compromised by the  
4 Commissioner;

5           2. By the Commissioner in the appropriate district court of the  
6 State of Oklahoma; or

7           3. By the Commissioner in an administrative hearing conducted  
8 by the Department of Public Safety.

9           H. The first One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) of the  
10 administrative penalties collected each fiscal year pursuant to the  
11 provisions of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous  
12 Materials Transportation Act shall be deposited in the General  
13 Revenue Fund of the State of Oklahoma. All other monies collected  
14 in excess of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) each fiscal  
15 year shall be deposited to the credit of the Department of Public  
16 Safety Revolving Fund for the purpose of administering the Oklahoma  
17 Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act.

18           SECTION 41.           AMENDATORY           47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.10, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20           Section 230.10 The Department of Public Safety shall exempt any  
21 vehicle in which hazardous material is transported or any person who  
22 transports any hazardous material if such exemption is identical to  
23 an exemption issued by the Secretary of the United States Department  
24 of Transportation and may exempt any person who transports any

1 hazardous material intrastate under similar provisions. The  
2 Department may seek exemptions pursuant to federal law for  
3 transportation of those quantities of hazardous materials which do  
4 not pose a substantial danger to the public health and safety.

5 SECTION 42. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.11, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 230.11 A. Other state agencies, departments and  
8 bureaus shall cooperate with the ~~Oklahoma~~ Department of Public  
9 Safety in regulating motor carrier safety and the transportation of  
10 hazardous materials. Such agencies, departments and bureaus may  
11 enter into interagency agreements with the Department for the  
12 purpose of implementing, administering and enforcing any provision  
13 of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials  
14 Transportation Act and the rules and regulations of the Department  
15 issued pursuant thereto; provided, such implementation,  
16 administration, and enforcement shall not be authorized in the  
17 absence of such interagency agreement.

18 B. The Department may enter into a cooperative agreement with  
19 the United States Department of Transportation and any other federal  
20 department or agency to enforce the provisions of the Oklahoma Motor  
21 Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, or  
22 regulations adopted pursuant thereto, federal motor carrier safety  
23 regulations, and federal regulations governing the transportation of  
24 hazardous material. The Department may receive grants, gifts and

1 other funds, equipment and services from the federal government or  
2 other sources for this purpose.

3 C. All files, records and data gathered by the Department  
4 pursuant to the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous  
5 Materials Transportation Act may be made available to the Department  
6 of Environmental Quality, other agencies of state government, the  
7 United States Department of Transportation and other jurisdictions  
8 in any cooperative effort relating to motor carrier safety or the  
9 transportation of hazardous materials.

10 SECTION 43. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.13, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 230.13 The Department of Public Safety ~~and the Oklahoma~~  
13 ~~Highway Patrol Division~~ shall enforce the provisions of the Oklahoma  
14 Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act and  
15 the rules promulgated thereto.

16 SECTION 44. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.14, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 230.14 The Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous  
19 Materials Transportation Act ~~is~~ shall not intended be construed to  
20 affect any law of this state now in effect with respect to matters  
21 relating to the transportation of hazardous materials ~~but;~~ provided,  
22 however, in the case of any conflict relating to motor carrier  
23 safety involving the transportation of property, or the  
24 transportation of hazardous materials, the provisions of the

1 Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation  
2 Act shall prevail.

3 SECTION 45. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.15, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 230.15 A. Whenever the Department of Public Safety has  
6 determined that any person who is regulated as a motor carrier  
7 pursuant to Sections 166 through 180m of this title has violated any  
8 provision of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous  
9 Materials Transportation Act or any rule promulgated thereto, the  
10 Department of Public Safety shall report such violations to the  
11 Corporation Commission for the purposes of determining if such  
12 person has violated any provisions of the permit or certificate  
13 issued by the Commission pursuant to any provision of Sections 166  
14 through 180m of this title or of any rule promulgated thereto.

15 B. Every motor carrier subject to this section shall maintain  
16 liability and property damage insurance covering each motor vehicle  
17 operated by the motor carrier and file proof of that insurance with  
18 the ~~Oklahoma Corporation~~ Commission. The Commission shall set the  
19 amount of necessary insurance for the transportation of all  
20 commodities other than hazardous materials. The Commission may  
21 allow a motor carrier to meet its liability and property damage  
22 insurance requirements through self-insurance if the motor carrier  
23 has adequate financial assets to assume liability and is in  
24 substantial compliance with all motor carrier safety regulations

1 adopted by the Department. Any person who transports or who causes  
2 the transportation of any hazardous material shall be required to  
3 comply with the financial responsibility requirements specified by  
4 the federal motor carrier safety regulations and the hazardous  
5 materials regulations of the United States Department of  
6 Transportation provided that in no event shall the financial  
7 responsibility requirement exceed One Million Dollars  
8 (\$1,000,000.00) except as otherwise specifically required by federal  
9 law, or any federal rule or regulation promulgated pursuant thereto.

10 C. Any person who causes or requires any person subject to the  
11 provisions of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous  
12 Materials Transportation Act to drive at a speed or carry a load in  
13 excess of those authorized by law pursuant to the Oklahoma Motor  
14 Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act shall be  
15 subject to the administrative penalties pursuant to the provisions  
16 of ~~this act~~ Section 230.9 of this title.

17 D. In adopting rules pursuant to the provisions of this act,  
18 the Department of Public Safety shall establish limitations on  
19 driving hours for motor vehicles subject thereto that are consistent  
20 with the hours of service requirements adopted by the United States  
21 Department of Transportation in the applicable part of Title 49 of  
22 the Code of Federal Regulations, as those regulations now exist or  
23 are hereafter amended. Driving hours and on-duty status shall not  
24 begin following less than eight (8) consecutive hours off duty.

1 Drivers shall be regulated from the time a driver first reports for  
2 duty for any employer. The rules adopted pursuant to this section  
3 shall establish the following exception:

4 The maximum driving time within a work period is twelve (12)  
5 hours if the vehicle is engaged solely in intrastate commerce and is  
6 not transporting hazardous materials as defined by regulations of  
7 the United States Department of Transportation in the applicable  
8 section of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as that  
9 section now exists or is hereafter amended; ~~except~~ provided,  
10 however, in the event of an emergency and upon notification of the  
11 nearest Oklahoma Highway Patrol troop headquarters of the Department  
12 of Public Safety, the Commissioner or his designated agent shall  
13 declare an emergency and there shall be no hour restrictions for  
14 rural electric cooperatives, public utilities, public service  
15 corporations or municipal employees as long as an emergency exists  
16 for providing service to restore heat, light, power, water,  
17 telephone or other emergency restoration facilities that are  
18 necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the public.

19 E. Except as provided in subsection F of this section, any  
20 regulation relating to motor carrier safety or to the transportation  
21 of hazardous materials adopted by a local government, authority, or  
22 state agency or office shall be consistent with corresponding  
23 federal regulations. To the extent of any conflict between said  
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1 regulations and rules adopted by the Department of Public Safety  
2 under this section, rules adopted by the Department shall control.

3 F. 1. Amendments to the hours of service regulations  
4 promulgated on April 28, 2003, by the United States Department of  
5 Transportation at Section 22456 of Volume 68 of the Federal Register  
6 and effective June 27, 2003, shall not apply to utility service  
7 vehicles as defined in Section 395.2 of Title 49 of the Code of  
8 Federal Regulations, not including television cable or community  
9 antenna service vehicles, which are owned or operated by utilities  
10 regulated by the Corporation Commission or electric cooperatives and  
11 which are engaged solely in intrastate commerce in this state until  
12 June 27, 2006, provided the amendments are valid and remain in  
13 effect as of that date. Hours of service regulations, which are  
14 applicable in this state immediately prior to June 27, 2003, shall  
15 remain applicable to utility service vehicles engaged solely in  
16 intrastate commerce in this state until June 27, 2006. If the  
17 United States Department of Transportation issues an official  
18 finding that this provision may result in the loss of federal Motor  
19 Carrier Safety Assistance Program funding, the Department of Public  
20 Safety may promulgate rules providing for earlier implementation of  
21 the amendments to the federal hours of service regulations. If  
22 federal law or regulations are amended at any time to exempt utility  
23 service vehicles from the hours of service requirements, any

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1 exemption shall be effective in this state immediately for the  
2 duration of the federal exemption.

3 2. The Department of Public Safety may promulgate rules  
4 suspending the effective date for up to three (3) years after the  
5 adoption of any motor carrier safety regulation by the United States  
6 Department of Transportation as applied to vehicles engaged solely  
7 in intrastate commerce in this state if the suspension does not  
8 result in the loss of federal Motor Carrier Safety Assistance  
9 Program funding.

10 3. The Department of Public Safety may enter into agreements  
11 with state and local emergency management agencies and private  
12 parties establishing procedures for complying with Section 31502(e)  
13 of Title 49 of the United States Code and federal regulations  
14 promulgated at Section 390.23 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal  
15 Regulations, which provide an exemption from the hours of service  
16 regulations during certain emergencies.

17 4. The Department of Public Safety may promulgate rules  
18 granting any waiver, variance, or exemption permitted under Section  
19 31104(h) of Title 49 of the United States Code and federal  
20 regulations promulgated at Sections 350.339, 350.341, 350.343 and  
21 350.345 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations if the  
22 waiver, variance, or exemption does not result in the loss of  
23 federal Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program funding and does not  
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1 take effect unless approved by the United States Department of  
2 Transportation, if approval is required.

3 SECTION 46. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.22, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 230.22 A. It is hereby declared that it is necessary  
6 in the public interest to regulate transportation by motor carriers  
7 and private carriers in such manner as to recognize the need to  
8 require all motor carriers and private carriers to have adequate  
9 insurance; for motor carriers and private carriers to provide  
10 service in a safe and efficient manner; and to establish that the  
11 operations of motor carriers and private carriers will not have a  
12 detrimental impact on the environment.

13 B. The public policy of this state, as declared by the  
14 Legislature, requires that all existing intrastate certificates and  
15 permits granted by the ~~Oklahoma~~ Corporation Commission, except  
16 household goods and used emigrant movables, prior to January 1,  
17 1995, are hereby revoked.

18 C. The provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, except as  
19 hereinafter specifically limited, shall apply to the transportation  
20 of passengers or property by motor carriers and private carriers,  
21 except motor carriers of household goods and used emigrant movables,  
22 over public highways of this state; and the regulations of such  
23 transportation, and the procurement thereof and the provisions of

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1 facilities therefor, are hereby vested in the ~~Oklahoma Corporation~~  
2 Commission.

3 D. Nothing herein shall be construed to interfere with the  
4 exercise by agencies of the government of the United States of its  
5 power of regulation of interstate commerce.

6 E. The terms and provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995  
7 shall apply to commerce with foreign nations, or commerce among the  
8 several states of this Union, insofar as such application may be  
9 permitted under the provisions of the Constitution of the United  
10 States and the Acts of Congress.

11 SECTION 47. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.23, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 230.23 As used in the Motor Carrier Act of 1995:

14 1. "Person" means any individual, firm, copartnership, limited  
15 partnership, corporation, limited liability corporation, company,  
16 association, or joint-stock association and includes any trustee,  
17 receiver, assignee, or personal representative thereof;

18 2. "Commission" means the ~~Oklahoma~~ Corporation Commission;

19 3. "License" means the license issued under authority of the  
20 laws of the State of Oklahoma to motor carriers and private  
21 carriers;

22 4. "Interstate Registration Certificate" (IRC) means a document  
23 issued by the Commission granting permission to operate upon the  
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1 highways of the State of Oklahoma in interstate commerce exempt from  
2 federal motor carrier regulation;

3 5. "Motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, truck-tractor,  
4 trailer or semitrailer or any motor bus or any self-propelled  
5 vehicle not operated or driven upon fixed rails or tracks;

6 6. "Motor carrier of persons or property" means any person,  
7 except a carrier of household goods or used emigrant movables,  
8 operating upon any public highway for the transportation of  
9 passengers or property for compensation or for hire or for  
10 commercial purposes, and not operating exclusively within the limits  
11 of an incorporated city or town within this state. Provided, the  
12 provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 shall not apply to the  
13 following vehicles and equipment when such vehicles and equipment  
14 are being used for the following:

15 a. taxicabs and bus companies engaged in the  
16 transportation of passengers and their baggage, not  
17 operated between two or more cities and towns, when  
18 duly licensed by a municipal corporation in which they  
19 might be doing business,

20 b. any person or governmental authority furnishing  
21 transportation for school children to and from public  
22 schools or to and from public-school-related  
23 extracurricular activities under contract with, and  
24 sponsored by, a public school board; provided, that

1 motor vehicles and equipment operated for the purposes  
2 shall qualify in all respects for the transportation  
3 of school children under the Oklahoma School Code and  
4 the rules of the State Board of Education adopted  
5 pursuant thereto.

6 c. transport trucks transporting liquefied petroleum  
7 gases intrastate which are owned or operated by a  
8 person subject to and licensed by the Oklahoma  
9 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Regulation Act, and

10 d. transportation of livestock and farm products in the  
11 raw state, when any of such commodities move from farm  
12 to market or from market to farm on a vehicle or on  
13 vehicles owned and operated by a bona fide farmer not  
14 engaged in motor vehicle transportation on a  
15 commercial scale;

16 7. "Corporate family" means a group of corporations consisting  
17 of a parent corporation and all subsidiaries in which the parent  
18 corporation owns directly or indirectly one hundred percent (100%)  
19 interest;

20 8. "Intercorporate hauling" means the transportation of  
21 property, by motor vehicle, for compensation, by a carrier which is  
22 a member of a corporate family, as defined in the Motor Carrier Act  
23 of 1995, when the transportation for compensation is provided for  
24 other members of the corporate family;

1 9. "Private carrier" means any person engaged in transportation  
2 upon public highways, of persons or property, or both, but not as a  
3 motor carrier, and includes any person who transports property by  
4 motor vehicle where such transportation is incidental to or in  
5 furtherance of any commercial enterprise of such person, other than  
6 transportation;

7 10. "Market" means the point at which livestock and farm  
8 products in the raw state were first delivered by the producer of  
9 the livestock and farm products in the raw state, upon the sale  
10 thereof;

11 11. "Public highway" means every public street, road or  
12 highway, or thoroughfare in this state, used by the public, whether  
13 actually dedicated to the public and accepted by the proper  
14 authorities or otherwise; and

15 12. "Commercial enterprise" means all undertakings entered into  
16 for private gain or compensation, including all industrial pursuits,  
17 whether the undertakings involve the handling of or dealing in  
18 commodities for sale or otherwise.

19 SECTION 48. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.24, is  
20 amended to read as follows:

21 Section 230.24 A. The Corporation Commission is hereby vested  
22 with power and authority, and it shall be its duty:

23 1. To supervise and regulate every motor carrier whether  
24 operating between fixed termini or over a regular route or otherwise

1 and not operating exclusively within the limits of an incorporated  
2 city or town in this state and all private carriers operating  
3 vehicles having a gross registered weight of greater than 26,000  
4 pounds and not operating exclusively within the limits of an  
5 incorporated city or town in this state;

6 2. To protect the shipping and general public by supervising  
7 and requiring insurance of all motor carriers and private carriers;

8 3. To ensure motor carriers and private carriers are complying  
9 with the applicable size and weight laws of this state and safety  
10 requirements which shall be accomplished at business locations of  
11 the carriers or at or within seven (7) miles of a weigh station;

12 4. To establish there will be no detrimental environmental  
13 impact; and

14 5. To supervise and regulate motor carriers in all other  
15 matters affecting the relationship between such carriers and the  
16 traveling and shipping public provided those matters do not exceed  
17 federal standards as they apply to this state.

18 B. The Commission shall have the power and authority by general  
19 order or otherwise to prescribe rules applicable to any or all motor  
20 carriers and private carriers as applicable.

21 C. The Commission shall cooperate and coordinate with the  
22 ~~Oklahoma~~ Oklahoma Department of Public Safety, which is the primary  
23 enforcement agency, in regulating carrier safety, size and weight  
24 regulations of motor vehicles and the transportation of hazardous



1 materials which shall be accomplished by the Commission at the  
2 business location of carriers or at or within seven (7) miles of a  
3 weigh station. The Commission may enter into interagency agreements  
4 with the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of  
5 implementing, administering and enforcing any provisions of the  
6 Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation  
7 Act and the rules ~~and regulations~~ of the Department of Public Safety  
8 issued pursuant thereto.

9 D. Any license issued by the Commission may be suspended or  
10 revoked due to operations conducted in violation of any laws or  
11 rules and regulations pertaining to motor carriers, private  
12 carriers, carrier safety, size and weight regulations of motor  
13 vehicles and the transportation of hazardous materials.

14 SECTION 49. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.25, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 230.25 A. Every motor carrier, subject to the Motor  
17 Carrier Act of 1995, receiving property for transportation in  
18 intrastate commerce shall issue a receipt or bill of lading  
19 therefor, the form of which shall be prescribed by the Corporation  
20 Commission.

21 B. Any person, motor carrier, or shipper who shall willfully  
22 violate any provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 by any means  
23 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof  
24 be fined as provided by law.

1 SECTION 50. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.26, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 230.26 When the Corporation Commission, upon complaint,  
4 has reason to believe that any person, motor carrier, or shipper is  
5 violating or has willfully violated any provision of the Motor  
6 Carrier Act of 1995, the Commission shall, upon its own initiative,  
7 file a contempt proceeding and set a date for the proceeding to be  
8 heard before the Commission, and upon conviction the Commission  
9 shall invoke such contempt penalties as provided herein.

10 SECTION 51. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.27, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 230.27 A. Upon the filing by an intrastate motor  
13 carrier or private carrier of an application for a license, the  
14 applicant shall pay to the Corporation Commission a filing fee in  
15 the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) with an original or  
16 subapplication. Any valid license issued ~~will~~ shall remain in  
17 force, unless otherwise revoked by the Commission in accordance with  
18 the provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, for one (1) year  
19 from date of issuance.

20 B. Every motor carrier or private carrier wishing to continue  
21 operations under the original license, shall pay to the ~~Corporation~~  
22 Commission an annual renewal fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). An  
23 intrastate license may be renewed for up to three (3) years.

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1 C. The Commission shall, upon the receipt of any fee, deposit  
2 the same in the State Treasury to the credit of the Trucking One-  
3 Stop Shop Fund.

4 SECTION 52. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.28, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Section 230.28 A. It shall be unlawful for any motor carrier  
7 to operate or furnish service within this state without first having  
8 obtained from the Corporation Commission a license declaring that  
9 all insurance requirements have been met and that the carrier will  
10 operate within all existing rules and state laws pertaining to  
11 safety standards, size and weight requirements and, when applicable,  
12 lawful handling and disposal of hazardous materials and deleterious  
13 substances, and will operate in such a manner as to ensure there  
14 will be no detrimental environmental impact. It shall also be  
15 unlawful for any private carrier to operate or furnish service  
16 within this state without first having obtained from the ~~Corporation~~  
17 Commission a license declaring that all insurance requirements have  
18 been met and that the carrier will operate within all existing rules  
19 and state laws pertaining to safety standards, size and weight  
20 requirements and, when applicable, lawful handling and disposal of  
21 hazardous materials and deleterious substances, and will operate in  
22 such a manner as to ensure there will be no detrimental  
23 environmental impact. The Commission shall have power, and it shall  
24 be its duty, to issue the license or set the application for hearing

1 within thirty (30) days of the Commission determining that the  
2 application is complete. Any such hearing shall be scheduled to  
3 occur on a date within an additional forty-five (45) business days  
4 of such determination. The mere filing of an application does not  
5 authorize any person to operate as a carrier.

6 B. In granting applications for licenses, the Commission shall  
7 take into consideration the reliability of the applicant; the proper  
8 equipment meeting minimum safety criteria as adequate to perform the  
9 service; and the applicant's sense of responsibility toward the  
10 public and the environment.

11 C. The Commission may, at any time after a public hearing and  
12 for good cause, suspend or revoke any license. Provided, the record  
13 owner of the license shall be entitled to have ten (10) days'  
14 written notice by certified mail from the Commission of any hearing  
15 affecting the license, except as otherwise provided in the Motor  
16 Carrier Act of 1995. The right of appeal from such order or orders  
17 shall be given as in other cases appealed from orders of the  
18 Commission.

19 D. The Commission shall be authorized to exercise any  
20 additional power that may from time to time be conferred upon the  
21 state by any Act of Congress. The Commission shall adopt rules  
22 prescribing the manner and form in which motor carriers and private  
23 carriers shall apply for licenses required by the Motor Carrier Act  
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1 of 1995. Among other rules adopted, the application shall be in  
2 writing and shall set forth the following facts:

3 1. The name and address of the applicant and the names and  
4 addresses of its officers, if any;

5 2. Full information concerning the physical properties of the  
6 applicant; and

7 3. Such other information as the Commission may consider  
8 pertinent to the application.

9 SECTION 53. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.29, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11 Section 230.29 A. As used in this section:

12 1. "Authorized carrier" means a person or persons authorized to  
13 engage in the transportation of passengers or property as a licensed  
14 motor carrier;

15 2. "Equipment" means a motor vehicle, straight truck, tractor,  
16 semitrailer, full trailer, any combination of these and any other  
17 type of equipment used by authorized carriers in the transportation  
18 of passengers or property for hire;

19 3. "Owner" means a person to whom title to equipment has been  
20 issued, or who, without title, has the right to exclusive use of  
21 equipment for a period longer than thirty (30) days;

22 4. "Lease" means a contract or arrangement in which the owner  
23 grants the use of equipment, with or without driver, for a specified  
24 period to an authorized carrier for use in the regulated

1 transportation of passengers or property, in exchange for  
2 compensation;

3 5. "Lessor", in a lease, means the party granting the use of  
4 equipment, with or without driver, to another;

5 6. "Lessee", in a lease, means the party acquiring the use of  
6 equipment, with or without driver, from another;

7 7. "Addendum" means a supplement to an existing lease which is  
8 not effective until signed by the lessor and lessee; and

9 8. "Shipper" means a person who sends or receives passengers or  
10 property which is transported in intrastate commerce in this state.

11 B. An authorized carrier may perform authorized transportation  
12 in equipment it does not own only under the following conditions:

13 1. There shall be a written lease granting the use of the  
14 equipment and meeting the requirements as set forth in subsection C  
15 of this section;

16 2. The authorized carrier acquiring the use of equipment under  
17 this section shall identify the equipment in accordance with the  
18 requirements of the Corporation Commission; and

19 3. Upon termination of the lease, the authorized carrier shall  
20 remove all identification showing it as the operating carrier before  
21 giving up possession of the equipment.

22 C. The written lease required pursuant to subsection B of this  
23 section shall contain the following provisions. The required lease  
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1 provisions shall be adhered to and performed by the authorized  
2 carrier as follows:

3 1. The lease shall be made between the authorized carrier and  
4 the owner of the equipment. The lease shall be signed by these  
5 parties or by their authorized representatives;

6 2. The lease shall specify the time and date or the  
7 circumstances on which the lease begins and ends and include a  
8 description of the equipment which shall be identified by vehicle  
9 serial number, make, year model and current license plate number;

10 3. The period for which the lease applies shall be for thirty  
11 (30) days or more when the equipment is to be operated for the  
12 authorized carrier by the owner or an employee of the owner;

13 4. The lease shall provide that the authorized carrier lessee  
14 shall have exclusive possession, control and use of the equipment  
15 for the duration of the lease. The lease shall further provide that  
16 the authorized carrier lessee shall assume complete responsibility  
17 for the operation of the equipment for the duration of the lease;

18 5. The amount to be paid by the authorized carrier for  
19 equipment and driver's services shall be clearly stated on the face  
20 of the lease or in an addendum which is attached to the lease;

21 6. The lease shall clearly specify the responsibility of each  
22 party with respect to the cost of fuel, fuel taxes, empty mileage,  
23 permits of all types, tolls, detention and accessorial services,  
24 base plates and licenses, and any unused portions of such items.

1 Except when the violation results from the acts or omissions of the  
2 lessor, the authorized carrier lessee shall assume the risks and  
3 costs of fines for overweight and oversize trailers when the  
4 trailers are preloaded, sealed, or the load is containerized, or  
5 when the trailer or lading is otherwise outside of the lessor's  
6 control, and for improperly permitted overdimension and overweight  
7 loads and shall reimburse the lessor for any fines paid by the  
8 lessor. If the authorized carrier is authorized to receive a refund  
9 or a credit for base plates purchased by the lessor from, and issued  
10 in the name of, the authorized carrier, or if the base plates are  
11 authorized to be sold by the authorized carrier to another lessor  
12 the authorized carrier shall refund to the initial lessor on whose  
13 behalf the base plate was first obtained a prorated share of the  
14 amount received;

15 7. The lease shall specify that payment to the lessor shall be  
16 made by the authorized carrier within fifteen (15) days after  
17 submission of the necessary delivery documents and other paperwork  
18 concerning a trip in the service of the authorized carrier. The  
19 paperwork required before the lessor can receive payment is limited  
20 to those documents necessary for the authorized carrier to secure  
21 payment from the shipper. The authorized carrier may require the  
22 submission of additional documents by the lessor but not as a  
23 prerequisite to payment;

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1 8. The lease shall clearly specify the right of the lessor,  
2 regardless of method of compensation, to examine copies of the  
3 documentation of the carrier upon which charges are assessed;

4 9. The lease shall clearly specify all items that may be  
5 initially paid for by the authorized carrier, but ultimately  
6 deducted from the compensation of the lessor at the time of payment  
7 or settlement together with a recitation as to how the amount of  
8 each item is to be computed. The lessor shall be afforded copies of  
9 those documents which are necessary to determine the validity of the  
10 charge;

11 10. The lease shall specify that the lessor is not required to  
12 purchase or rent any products, equipment, or services from the  
13 authorized carrier as a condition of entering into the lease  
14 arrangement;

15 11. As it relates to insurance:

16 a. the lease shall clearly specify the legal obligation  
17 of the authorized carrier to maintain insurance  
18 coverage for the protection of the public, and

19 b. the lease shall clearly specify the conditions under  
20 which deductions for cargo or property damage may be  
21 made from the lessor's settlements. The lease shall  
22 further specify that the authorized carrier must  
23 provide the lessor with a written explanation and  
24 itemization of any deductions for cargo or property

1 damage made from any compensation of money owed to the  
2 lessor. The written explanation and itemization must  
3 be delivered to the lessor before any deductions are  
4 made; and

5 12. An original and two copies of each lease shall be signed by  
6 the parties. The authorized carrier shall keep the original and  
7 shall place a copy of the lease in the equipment during the period  
8 of the lease. The owner of the equipment shall keep the other copy  
9 of the lease.

10 D. The provisions of this section shall apply to the leasing of  
11 equipment with which to perform transportation regulated by the  
12 ~~Corporation~~ Commission by motor carriers holding a license from the  
13 Commission to transport passengers or property.

14 SECTION 54. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.30, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 230.30 A. No license shall be issued by the  
17 Corporation Commission to any carrier until after the carrier shall  
18 have filed with the Commission a liability insurance policy or bond  
19 covering public liability and property damage, issued by some  
20 insurance or bonding company or insurance carrier authorized  
21 pursuant to this section and which has complied with all of the  
22 requirements of the Commission, which bond or policy shall be  
23 approved by the Commission, and shall be in a sum and amount as  
24 fixed by a proper order of the Commission; and the liability and

1 property damage insurance policy or bond shall bind the obligor  
2 thereunder to make compensation for injuries to, or death of,  
3 persons, and loss or damage to property, resulting from the  
4 operation of any carrier for which the carrier is legally liable. A  
5 copy of the policy or bond shall be filed with the Commission, and,  
6 after judgment against the carrier for any damage, the injured party  
7 may maintain an action upon the policy or bond to recover the same,  
8 and shall be a proper party to maintain such action.

9 B. Every motor carrier shall file with the Commission a cargo  
10 insurance policy or bond covering any goods or property being  
11 transported, issued by some insurance or bonding company or  
12 insurance carrier authorized as set forth below, and which has  
13 complied with all of the requirements of the Commission, which bond  
14 or policy shall be approved by the Commission, and shall be in a sum  
15 and amount as fixed by a proper order of the Commission. The cargo  
16 insurance must be filed with the Commission prior to a license being  
17 issued by the Commission, unless the motor carrier has been exempted  
18 from this requirement.

19 Intrastate motor carriers of sand, rock, gravel, asphaltic  
20 mixtures or other similar road building materials shall not be  
21 required to file cargo insurance and shall be required to maintain  
22 liability insurance limits of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars  
23 (\$350,000.00) combined single limit.

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1 No carrier, whose principal place of business is in Oklahoma,  
2 shall conduct any operations in this state unless the operations are  
3 covered by a valid primary bond or insurance policy issued by a  
4 provider authorized or approved by the State Insurance Commissioner.  
5 No carrier shall conduct any operations in this state unless the  
6 operations are covered by a valid bond or insurance policy issued by  
7 a provider authorized and approved by a National Association of  
8 Insurance Commissioners and certified by the State Insurance  
9 Commission.

10 C. Each carrier shall maintain on file, in full force, all  
11 insurance required by the laws of this state and the rules of the  
12 Commission during the operation of the carrier and that the failure  
13 for any cause to maintain the coverage in full force and effect  
14 shall immediately, without any notice from the Commission, suspend  
15 the rights of the carrier to operate until proper insurance is  
16 provided. Any carrier suspended for failure to maintain proper  
17 insurance shall have a reasonable time, not exceeding sixty (60)  
18 days, to have its license reactivated, and to provide proper  
19 insurance upon showing:

20 1. No operation during the period in which it did not have  
21 insurance; and

22 2. Furnishing of proper insurance coverage.

23 D. Any carrier who fails to reactivate its license within sixty  
24 (60) days after the suspension, as above provided, shall have the

1 license canceled, by operation of law, without any notice from the  
2 Commission. No license so canceled shall be reinstated or otherwise  
3 made operative except that the Commission may reinstate the license  
4 of a carrier upon proper showing that the carrier was actually  
5 covered by proper insurance during the suspension or cancellation  
6 period, and that failure to file with the Commission was not due to  
7 the negligence of the carrier. Any carrier desiring to file for  
8 reinstatement of its license shall do so within ninety (90) days of  
9 its cancellation by law.

10 E. The Commission shall, in its discretion, permit the filing  
11 of certificates of insurance coverage or such form as may be  
12 prescribed by the Commission, in lieu of copies of insurance  
13 policies or bonds, with the proviso that if the certificates are  
14 authorized the insurance company or carrier so filing it, upon  
15 request of the Commission, will, at any time, furnish an  
16 authenticated copy of the policy which the certificate represents,  
17 and further provided that thirty (30) days prior to effective  
18 cancellation or termination of the policy of insurance for any  
19 cause, the insurer shall so notify the Commission in writing of the  
20 facts or as deemed necessary by the Commission.

21 SECTION 55. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.31, is  
22 amended to read as follows:

23 Section 230.31 A. Nothing contained in the Motor Carrier Act  
24 of 1995 shall be construed to authorize the operation of any

1 passenger or freight vehicle in excess of the gross weight, width,  
2 length or height authorized by law.

3 B. Any person who willfully advertises to perform  
4 transportation services for which the person does not hold a license  
5 shall be in violation of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 and subject  
6 to the penalties prescribed for contempt of the Corporation  
7 Commission.

8 C. All licenses issued by the Commission under any law of the  
9 state relating to motor carriers or private carriers shall contain  
10 the provision that the Commission reserves to itself authority to  
11 suspend or cancel any such license for the violation, on the part of  
12 the applicant or any operator or operators of any motor vehicle to  
13 be operated thereunder, of any law of this state or any rule adopted  
14 by the Commission.

15 D. Licenses shall be considered personal to the holder of the  
16 license and shall be issued only to some definite legal entity  
17 operating motor vehicles as a motor carrier or private carrier, and  
18 shall not be subject to lease, nor shall the holder of the license  
19 sublet or permit the exercise, by another, of the rights or  
20 privileges granted under the license.

21 SECTION 56. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.32, is  
22 amended to read as follows:

23 Section 230.32 The Corporation Commission shall have the power  
24 and authority by general order or otherwise to promulgate rules and

1 regulations for the administration and enforcement of the provisions  
2 of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

3 SECTION 57. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.34a, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 230.34a A. Any person, firm, partnership, limited  
6 liability company, or corporation owning or possessing a vehicle and  
7 required to register the vehicle under the laws of this state for  
8 the purpose of transporting farm products in a raw state may receive  
9 a harvest permit from the ~~Oklahoma~~ Corporation Commission.

10 B. The harvest permit shall be recognized in lieu of  
11 registration, fuel permit and intrastate operating authority in this  
12 state. The harvest permit shall be issued to the operating motor  
13 carrier.

14 C. Each permit shall be valid for a period of thirty (30) or  
15 sixty (60) days. The permit shall identify the time and date of its  
16 issuance and shall additionally reflect its effective and expiration  
17 dates.

18 D. The following information shall be required of an applicant  
19 for a harvest permit and shall apply to each vehicle to be operated  
20 under the permit:

- 21 1. Owner of the vehicle;
- 22 2. Vehicle registrant;

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1       3. Make, model, year, license plate number, state of  
2 registration and VIN of each vehicle which will be operated under  
3 the permit; and

4       4. The operating carrier must provide a certificate that each  
5 vehicle is operating under a liability insurance policy valid in  
6 Oklahoma for Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) or  
7 more.

8       E. There shall be a fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per axle for  
9 a thirty-day permit or Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00) per axle for a  
10 sixty-day permit, for each vehicle registered pursuant to the Motor  
11 Carrier Harvest Permit Act of 2006. Revenue derived from this fee  
12 shall be apportioned as follows:

13       1. One-half (1/2) of the revenue shall be deposited in the  
14 Weigh Station Improvement Revolving Fund as set forth in Section  
15 1167 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

16       2. ~~The remaining amount~~ One-half (1/2) shall be deposited in  
17 the One-Stop Trucking Fund as set forth in Section 1167 of ~~Title 47~~  
18 ~~of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title.

19       F. A harvest permit may be extended in fifteen-day increments.  
20 The permit holder shall be required to pay the additional prorated  
21 portion of the tag fee at Eight Dollars and seventy-five cents  
22 (\$8.75) per axle per fifteen-day extension.

23       G. An application for a harvest permit shall be made to the  
24 ~~Corporation~~ Commission. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission shall allow



1 applications to be submitted by facsimile and electronically. The  
2 Commission must provide reasonable access for persons to obtain a  
3 harvest permit before taking enforcement action.

4 H. If found to be in violation of the Motor Carrier Harvest  
5 Permit Act of 2006 for failure to obtain or maintain a current  
6 harvest permit, the operating carrier shall post bond in the amount  
7 of the cost of the harvest permit and shall be allowed seventy-two  
8 (72) hours to apply for the permit. If the operating carrier makes  
9 application within seventy-two (72) hours, the bond amount will be  
10 applied toward the harvest permit fee.

11 I. A harvest permit does not exempt its holder from federal or  
12 state safety regulations nor from the state's size and weight laws  
13 or rules.

14 J. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission may enter into an agreement with  
15 any person or corporation located within or outside of the state for  
16 transmission of harvest permits by way of facsimile or other device  
17 when the Corporation Commission determines that such agreements are  
18 in the best interest of the state.

19 K. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission may promulgate rules to  
20 administer the provisions of the Motor Carrier Harvest Permit Act of  
21 2006.

22 SECTION 58. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.34b, is  
23 amended to read as follows:

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1 Section 230.34b A portable scale used at any location other  
2 than an official weigh station by the Department of Public Safety ~~or~~  
3 ~~the Corporation Commission~~ to weigh any vehicle transporting grain  
4 shall not be located within two (2) highway miles of any commercial  
5 grain elevator. This section shall not apply if the vehicle is:

- 6 1. Involved in a collision;
- 7 2. Being subjected to a Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance  
8 (CVSA) inspection by the Department of Public Safety; or
- 9 3. Operated on any highway of the national defense highway  
10 system.

11 SECTION 59. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1115, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 1115. A. Unless provided otherwise by statute, the  
14 following vehicles shall be registered annually: manufactured  
15 homes, vehicles registered with a permanent nonexpiring license  
16 plate pursuant to Section 1113 of this title, and commercial  
17 vehicles registered pursuant to the installment plan provided in  
18 subsection H of Section 1133 of this title. The following schedule  
19 shall apply for such vehicle purchased in this state or brought into  
20 this state by residents of this state:

- 21 1. Between January 1 and March 31, the payment of the full  
22 annual fee shall be required;
- 23 2. Between April 1 and June 30, the payment of three-fourths  
24 (3/4) the annual fee shall be required;

1           3. Between July 1 and September 30, the payment of one-half  
2 (1/2) the annual fee shall be required; and

3           4. Between October 1 and November 30, one-fourth (1/4) the  
4 annual fee shall be required.

5           License plates or decals for each year shall be made available  
6 on December 1 of each preceding year for such vehicles. Any person  
7 who purchases such vehicle or manufactured home between December 1  
8 and December 31 of any year shall register it within thirty (30)  
9 days from date of purchase and obtain a license plate or  
10 Manufactured Home License Registration Decal, as appropriate, for  
11 the following calendar year upon payment of the full annual fee.  
12 Unless provided otherwise by statute, all annual license,  
13 registration and other fees for such vehicles shall be due and  
14 payable on January 1 of each year and if not paid by February 1  
15 shall be deemed delinquent.

16           B. 1. All vehicles, other than those required to be registered  
17 pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of this section, shall be  
18 registered on a staggered system of registration and licensing on a  
19 monthly series basis to distribute the work of registering such  
20 vehicles as uniformly and expeditiously as practicable throughout  
21 the calendar year. After the end of the month following the  
22 expiration date, the license and registration fees for the new  
23 registration period shall become delinquent.

1        2. All fleet vehicles registered pursuant to new applications  
2 approved pursuant to the provisions of Section 1120 of this title  
3 shall be registered on a staggered system monthly basis.

4        3. Applicants seeking to establish Oklahoma as the base  
5 jurisdiction for registering apportioned fleet vehicles shall have a  
6 one-time option of registering for a period of not less than six (6)  
7 months nor greater than eighteen (18) months. Subsequent renewals  
8 for these registrants will be for twelve (12) months, expiring on  
9 the last day of the month chosen by the registrant under the one-  
10 time option as provided herein. In addition, registrants with  
11 multiple fleets may designate a different registration month of  
12 expiration for each fleet.

13        As used in this section, "fleet" shall have the same meaning as  
14 set forth in the International Registration Plan.

15        4. Effective January 1, 2004, all motorcycles and mopeds shall  
16 be registered on a staggered system of registration. The Oklahoma  
17 Tax Commission shall notify in writing, prior to December 1, 2003,  
18 all owners of motorcycles or mopeds registered as of such date, who  
19 shall have a one-time option of registering for a period of not less  
20 than three (3) months nor greater than fifteen (15) months.  
21 Subsequent renewals for these registrants will be for twelve (12)  
22 months, expiring on the last day of the month chosen by the  
23 registrant under the one-time option as provided herein. All  
24 motorcycles and mopeds registered pursuant to new applications

1 received on or after December 1, 2003, shall also be registered  
2 pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph.

3 C. The following penalties shall apply for delinquent  
4 registration fees:

5 1. For fleet vehicles required to be registered pursuant to the  
6 provisions of Section 1120 of this title for which a properly  
7 completed application for registration has not been received by the  
8 Corporation Commission by the last day of the month following the  
9 registration expiration date, a penalty of thirty percent (30%) of  
10 the Oklahoma portion of the annual registration fee, or Two Hundred  
11 Dollars (\$200.00), whichever is greater, shall be assessed. The  
12 license and registration cards issued by the Corporation Commission  
13 for each fleet vehicle shall be valid until two (2) months after the  
14 registration expiration date;

15 2. For commercial vehicles registered under the provisions of  
16 subsection B of this section, except those vehicles registered  
17 pursuant to Section 1133.1 of this title, a penalty shall be  
18 assessed after the last day of the month following the registration  
19 expiration date. A penalty of twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per day  
20 shall be added to the license fee of such vehicle and shall accrue  
21 for one (1) month. Thereafter, the penalty shall be thirty percent  
22 (30%) of the annual registration fee, or Two Hundred Dollars  
23 (\$200.00), whichever is greater;

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1           3. For new or used manufactured homes, not registered within  
2 thirty (30) days from date of purchase or date such manufactured  
3 home was brought into this state, a penalty equal to the  
4 registration fee shall be assessed; or

5           4. Except as provided in subsection H of Section 1133 and  
6 subsection C of Section 1127 of this title, for all other vehicles a  
7 penalty shall be assessed after the last day of the month following  
8 the expiration date. A penalty of One Dollar (\$1.00) per day shall  
9 be added to the license fee of such vehicle, provided that the  
10 penalty shall not exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Of each  
11 dollar penalty collected pursuant to this subsection:

- 12           a. twenty-five cents (\$0.25) shall be apportioned as  
13           provided in Section 1104 of this title,
- 14           b. twenty-five cents (\$0.25) shall be retained by the  
15           motor license agent, and
- 16           c. fifty cents (\$0.50) shall be deposited in the General  
17           Revenue Fund for the fiscal year beginning on July 1,  
18           2011, and for all subsequent fiscal years, shall be  
19           deposited in the State Highway Construction and  
20           Maintenance Fund.

21           D. In addition to all other penalties provided in the Oklahoma  
22 Vehicle License and Registration Act, the following penalties shall  
23 be imposed and collected by ~~any Enforcement Officer~~ enforcement  
24 officer of the Corporation Commission at or within seven (7) miles

1 of a weigh station upon finding any commercial vehicle being  
2 operated in violation of the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle  
3 License and Registration Act.

4 The penalties shall apply to any commercial vehicle found to be  
5 operating in violation of the following provisions:

6 1. A penalty of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be  
7 imposed upon any person found to be operating a commercial vehicle  
8 sixty (60) days after the end of the month in which the license  
9 plate or registration credentials expire without the current year  
10 license plate or registration credential displayed. Such penalty  
11 shall not exceed the amount established by the Corporation  
12 Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of Section  
13 1167 of this title. Revenue from such penalties shall be  
14 apportioned as provided in Section 1167 of this title;

15 2. A penalty of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be  
16 imposed for any person operating a commercial vehicle subject to the  
17 provisions of Section 1120 or Section 1133 of this title without the  
18 proper display of, or, carrying in such commercial vehicle, the  
19 identification credentials issued by the Corporation Commission as  
20 evidence of payment of the fee or tax as provided in Section 1120 or  
21 Section 1133 of this title. Such penalty shall not exceed the  
22 amount established by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the  
23 provisions of subsection A of Section 1167 of this title. Revenue

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1 from such penalties shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1167  
2 of this title; and

3 3. A penalty of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)  
4 shall be imposed for any person that fails to register any  
5 commercial vehicle subject to the Oklahoma Vehicle License and  
6 Registration Act. Such penalty shall not exceed the amount  
7 established by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions  
8 of subsection A of Section 1167 of this title. Revenue from such  
9 penalties shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1167 of this  
10 title.

11 E. The Tax Commission, or Corporation Commission with respect  
12 to vehicles registered under Section 1120 or Section 1133 of this  
13 title, shall assess the registration fees and penalties for the year  
14 or years a vehicle was not registered. For vehicles not registered  
15 for two (2) or more years, the registration fees and penalties shall  
16 be due only for the current year and one (1) previous year.

17 F. In addition to any other penalty prescribed by law, there  
18 shall be a penalty of not less than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) upon a  
19 finding by an enforcement officer of the Corporation Commission at  
20 or within seven (7) miles of a weigh station that:

21 1. The registration of a vehicle registered pursuant to Section  
22 1132 of this title is expired and it is sixty (60) or more days  
23 after the end of the month of expiration; or

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1           2. The registration fees for a vehicle that is subject to the  
2 registration fees pursuant to Section 1132 of this title have not  
3 been paid.

4           Such penalty shall not exceed the amount established by the  
5 Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of  
6 Section 1167 of this title. Revenue from such penalties shall be  
7 apportioned as provided in Section 1167 of this title.

8           G. If a vehicle is donated to a nonprofit charitable  
9 organization, the nonprofit charitable organization shall be exempt  
10 from paying any current or past due registration fees, excise tax,  
11 transfer fees, and penalties and interest. However, after the  
12 donation, if the person donating the vehicle, or someone on behalf  
13 of such person, purchases the same vehicle back from the nonprofit  
14 charitable organization to which the vehicle was donated, such  
15 person shall be liable for all current and past-due registration  
16 fees, excise tax, title or transfer fees, and penalties and interest  
17 on such vehicle.

18           SECTION 60.           AMENDATORY           47 O.S. 2011, Section 1123, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20           Section 1123. The Oklahoma Tax Commission is hereby authorized  
21 and empowered to enter into and make reciprocal compacts and  
22 agreements when the Commission deems same to be in the interest of  
23 the residents of the State of Oklahoma, with the proper authorities  
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1 of other states, concerning all motor vehicles engaged in foreign  
2 and interstate commerce upon and over the public highways.

3 Such compacts and agreements shall grant to the residents of  
4 other states privileges substantially like and equal to those  
5 granted by such states to Oklahoma residents; provided, that such  
6 compacts and agreements shall not supersede or suspend any laws,  
7 rules or regulations of this state applying to vehicles operated  
8 intrastate in this state. Privileges so granted shall extend only  
9 to persons who comply with the laws of the state of their residence.

10 Such compacts and agreements shall not operate to supersede or  
11 suspend the application of any laws of this state, except insofar as  
12 they apply to the payment of vehicle license fees or other motor  
13 vehicle taxes charged residents of the states with which such  
14 compacts and agreements are made; provided, however, that the power  
15 and authority and discretion of the Corporation Commission to make  
16 and enforce rules ~~and regulations~~ governing motor carriers for hire,  
17 or to grant or deny certificates or permits to motor carriers for  
18 hire shall not be superseded or suspended by any such compact and  
19 agreement.

20 SECTION 61. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1133, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 1133. A. The following license fees shall be paid  
23 annually to the Oklahoma Tax Commission or Corporation Commission,  
24 as applicable, upon the registration of the following vehicles:

1 For each commercial vehicle over eight thousand (8,000) pounds  
2 as defined in Section 1102 of this title, the license fee shall be  
3 based on the combined laden weight of the vehicle or combination of  
4 vehicles. The license fees shall be computed and assessed at the  
5 following rates:

6	1. From 8,001 pounds to 15,000 pounds	\$ 95.00
7	2. From 15,001 pounds to 18,000 pounds	120.00
8	3. From 18,001 pounds to 21,000 pounds	155.00
9	4. From 21,001 pounds to 24,000 pounds	190.00
10	5. From 24,001 pounds to 27,000 pounds	225.00
11	6. From 27,001 pounds to 30,000 pounds	260.00
12	7. From 30,001 pounds to 33,000 pounds	295.00
13	8. From 33,001 pounds to 36,000 pounds	325.00
14	9. From 36,001 pounds to 39,000 pounds	350.00
15	10. From 39,001 pounds to 42,000 pounds	375.00
16	11. From 42,001 pounds to 45,000 pounds	400.00
17	12. From 45,001 pounds to 48,000 pounds	425.00
18	13. From 48,001 pounds to 51,000 pounds	450.00
19	14. From 51,001 pounds to 54,000 pounds	475.00
20	15. From 54,001 pounds to 57,000 pounds	648.00
21	16. From 57,001 pounds to 60,000 pounds	681.00
22	17. From 60,001 pounds to 63,000 pounds	713.00
23	18. From 63,001 pounds to 66,000 pounds	746.00
24	19. From 66,001 pounds to 69,000 pounds	778.00

1	20.	From 69,001 pounds to 72,000 pounds	817.00
2	21.	From 72,001 pounds to 73,280 pounds	857.00
3	22.	From 73,281 pounds to 74,000 pounds	870.00
4	23.	From 74,001 pounds to 75,000 pounds	883.00
5	24.	From 75,001 pounds to 76,000 pounds	896.00
6	25.	From 76,001 pounds to 77,000 pounds	909.00
7	26.	From 77,001 pounds to 78,000 pounds	922.00
8	27.	From 78,001 pounds to 79,000 pounds	935.00
9	28.	From 79,001 pounds to 80,000 pounds	948.00
10	29.	From 80,001 pounds to 81,000 pounds	961.00
11	30.	From 81,001 pounds to 82,000 pounds	974.00
12	31.	From 82,001 pounds to 83,000 pounds	987.00
13	32.	From 83,001 pounds to 84,000 pounds	1000.00
14	33.	From 84,001 pounds to 85,000 pounds	1013.00
15	34.	From 85,001 pounds to 86,000 pounds	1026.00
16	35.	From 86,001 pounds to 87,000 pounds	1039.00
17	36.	From 87,001 pounds to 88,000 pounds	1052.00
18	37.	From 88,001 pounds to 89,000 pounds	1065.00
19	38.	From 89,001 pounds to 90,000 pounds	1078.00

20 B. After the fifth year's registration in this or any other  
21 state, the license fee upon any truck registered on a basis of the  
22 combined laden weight not in excess of fifteen thousand (15,000)  
23 pounds shall be assessed at fifty percent (50%) of the fee computed  
24 and assessed for each of the first five (5) years. On the seventh

1 and all subsequent years of registration in this or any other state,  
2 on such truck, such license fees shall be assessed and computed at  
3 fifty percent (50%) of the amount due on the sixth year's  
4 registration. In no event shall such annual license fee on any  
5 truck be less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) nor shall the annual license  
6 fee of any truck-tractor be less than Ninety-five Dollars (\$95.00).

7 C. In addition to the fees required by subsection A of this  
8 section, there shall be paid a registration fee of Forty Dollars  
9 (\$40.00) upon the first registration in this state after July 1,  
10 1985, and upon the transfer of ownership of any frac tank, as  
11 defined by Section 54 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes, rental  
12 trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer designed to be pulled and  
13 usually pulled by a truck or truck-tractor.

14 Thereafter, a fee of Four Dollars (\$4.00) shall be paid annually  
15 for each frac tank, rental trailer, commercial trailer or  
16 semitrailer. The fee of Four Dollars (\$4.00) shall be due and  
17 payable on January 1 of each year on any frac tank, rental trailer,  
18 commercial trailer or semitrailer registered under this section.

19 Upon the payment of the registration fee of Forty Dollars  
20 (\$40.00), a nonexpiring registration certificate and identification  
21 plate shall be issued for each frac tank, rental trailer, commercial  
22 trailer or semitrailer. The nonexpiring identification plate shall  
23 remain displayed on the frac tank, rental trailer, commercial  
24 trailer or semitrailer for which the identification plate is issued

1 until such frac tank, trailer or semitrailer is sold or removed from  
2 service.

3 A receipt shall be issued upon the payment of the annual fee.  
4 The receipt shall show the total fee paid for one or more frac  
5 tanks, rental trailers, commercial trailers or semitrailers. The  
6 receipt shall be retained by the owner of any frac tank, rental  
7 trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer for a period of three (3)  
8 years and shall be subject to audit by the Tax Commission or  
9 Corporation Commission.

10 Any frac tank, commercial trailer or semitrailer licensed  
11 pursuant to this section shall not be permitted to be operated on  
12 the highways of this state when such frac tank, commercial trailer  
13 or semitrailer is being operated by a resident of this state, or is  
14 being operated by a person operating a vehicle or vehicles domiciled  
15 in this state and required by law to be licensed in Oklahoma, unless  
16 the pulling truck or truck-tractor has been licensed pursuant to  
17 this section. In no event shall any truck, truck-tractor, frac  
18 tank, trailer, or semitrailer used in the furtherance of any  
19 commercial enterprise be permitted to operate on the highways of  
20 this state or register at a smaller license fee than that prescribed  
21 in this section except as provided in this section.

22 D. For each fiscal year, notwithstanding the provisions of  
23 Section 1104 of this title, the first Four Hundred Thousand Dollars  
24 (\$400,000.00) of all monies collected pursuant to subsections A, B

1 and C of this section shall be paid by the Tax Commission to the  
2 State Treasurer of the State of Oklahoma who shall deposit same each  
3 fiscal year, or such lesser amount as may accrue each fiscal year,  
4 under the provisions of this section to the credit of the General  
5 Revenue Fund of the State Treasury. All monies collected in excess  
6 of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) each fiscal year  
7 shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title.

8 E. If any vehicle is used for a purpose other than that for  
9 which it has been registered, the owner of the vehicle shall be  
10 required to immediately reregister the vehicle at the appropriate  
11 rate. If any vehicle is placed or operated upon any street, road or  
12 highway of this state with a laden weight in excess of that for  
13 which it is licensed, the license fee for such increased laden  
14 weight shall become due, and the owner of the vehicle shall be  
15 required to immediately reregister the vehicle at the increased  
16 rate. Provided that, in either event there shall be credited upon  
17 the increased license fee for such reregistration for any portion of  
18 the year or period remaining after the change in use or increase in  
19 laden weight shall have occurred a proportionate part of the license  
20 fees previously paid. If this reregistration is made voluntarily by  
21 the owner, the ratable proportion of the credit allowed shall be  
22 determined as of the date the reregistration is voluntarily made.  
23 If the reregistration is not voluntarily made but occurs as a result  
24 of the discovery by any law enforcement officer of an improper

1 operation of the vehicle, that shall be considered prima facie  
2 evidence that it has been improperly registered for the entire  
3 portion of the year covered by the improper registration. Provided  
4 further that the ratable credit shall be allowed only on the first  
5 reregistration of any vehicle during any calendar year. If, during  
6 the calendar year, subsequent changes of license plate are desired,  
7 the ratable credit shall not be allowed but the owner of the vehicle  
8 shall be required to pay the license fee due for that portion of the  
9 calendar year remaining without benefit of any additional credits.  
10 No owner of a motor vehicle shall possess at any time more than one  
11 license plate for any vehicle owned by such person. No  
12 reregistration shall be made until the current license plate  
13 previously issued has been surrendered.

14 Any person who has paid a fee under the terms and provisions of  
15 this subsection may at any time within one (1) year after the  
16 payment of such fee file with the Tax Commission or Corporation  
17 Commission a claim under oath for refund stating the grounds  
18 therefor. However, the Tax Commission or Corporation Commission  
19 shall allow refunds only where the amount of tax paid has been  
20 erroneously computed or determined through clerical errors or  
21 miscalculations. No refund shall be allowed by the Tax Commission  
22 or Corporation Commission of a tax paid by the person where such  
23 payment is made through a mistake as to the legal misinterpretation  
24 or construction of the provisions of this section. Any refunds made



1 by the Tax Commission or Corporation Commission pursuant to this  
2 subsection shall be made out of any monies collected pursuant to  
3 this subsection and which have not been apportioned.

4 F. The annual license fee required by this section is intended  
5 to cover only the motor vehicle for which it is issued. The Tax  
6 Commission or Corporation Commission upon application, when a  
7 licensed truck-tractor has been destroyed by fire or accident, shall  
8 credit the unused portion of the annual license fee of the vehicle  
9 toward the license fee of a replacement vehicle of equal registered  
10 weight. The amount of credit shall not exceed the license fee due  
11 on the replacement vehicle. The Tax Commission or Corporation  
12 Commission shall not be required to make a refund. If the  
13 replacement vehicle is to be registered at a greater weight, the  
14 applicant shall pay an additional sum equivalent to the difference  
15 between the unused portion of the annual license fee for the  
16 original motor vehicle and the license fee due for the replacement  
17 motor vehicle.

18 G. The license fees provided for in this section shall be paid  
19 each year whether or not the vehicle is operated on the public  
20 highway.

21 H. Notwithstanding the provision of any other statute in  
22 respect to the time for payment of license fees on motor vehicles,  
23 if the total amount of the annual license fees due from any resident  
24 owner, either individual, partnership, or Oklahoma corporation, upon

1 the registration, on or before January 15 of any year, of commercial  
2 trucks, truck-tractors, frac tanks, trailers or semitrailers exceeds  
3 the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), the license fees may be  
4 paid in equal semiannual installments. The first installment shall  
5 be paid at the time of the application for registration of the  
6 vehicles and not later than January 15 of each year, and the second  
7 installment shall be paid on or before the first day of July of such  
8 year.

9 This subsection shall not operate to reduce the amount of the  
10 license fees due. If any installment is not paid on or before the  
11 date due, all unpaid installments of license fees for such year on  
12 each vehicle shall be deemed delinquent and immediately due and  
13 payable, and there shall be added a penalty of twenty-five cents  
14 (\$0.25) per day to the balance of the license fee due on each  
15 vehicle for each day the balance remains unpaid up to thirty (30)  
16 days, after which the penalty due on each vehicle shall be Twenty-  
17 five Dollars (\$25.00). The penalty for vehicles registered by  
18 weight in excess of eight thousand (8,000) pounds shall be an amount  
19 equal to the license fee. On and after the thirtieth day each such  
20 vehicle involved shall be considered as improperly licensed and as  
21 not currently registered, and all of the provisions of the Oklahoma  
22 Vehicle License and Registration Act relating to enforcement,  
23 including the provisions for the seizure and sale of vehicles not

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1 registered and not displaying current license plates, shall apply to  
2 the vehicles.

3 All fees and taxes levied by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and  
4 Registration Act shall become and remain a first lien upon the  
5 vehicle upon which the fees or taxes are due until paid. The lien  
6 shall have priority to all other liens. No title to any vehicle may  
7 be transferred until the unpaid balance on the vehicle has been paid  
8 in full. Provided that any unpaid balance of the license fees shall  
9 remain and become a lien against any and all property of the owner,  
10 both real and personal, for so long as any license tag fee balance  
11 shall remain unpaid. Any unpaid balance under these provisions  
12 shall be immediately due and payable by the owner if any vehicle is  
13 sold, wrecked, or otherwise retired from service.

14 Any person electing to pay license fees on a semiannual  
15 installment basis, as herein authorized, shall be required to  
16 purchase a new license tag for the last half and shall pay the sum  
17 of Four Dollars (\$4.00) for each tag to cover the costs of the  
18 license tags. The license tags for each half shall be plainly  
19 marked in designating the half for which they were issued. A  
20 validation sticker may be used in lieu of a metal tag where  
21 appropriate. Such license tag fee shall be, in addition to the  
22 license fees or any other fees, collected on each application as  
23 provided by statute and shall be apportioned according to the  
24 provisions of Section 1104 of this title.

1 I. Any person pulling or towing any vehicle intended to be  
2 resold, into or through this state, shall pay a fee of Three Dollars  
3 (\$3.00) for the vehicle towing and Three Dollars (\$3.00) for the one  
4 being towed. It shall be unlawful to operate any series of such  
5 units on the public highways of this state at a distance closer than  
6 five hundred (500) feet from each other. All fees and taxes levied  
7 by the terms and provisions of this section shall become and remain  
8 a first lien upon the vehicle upon which the fees or taxes are due  
9 until paid. The lien shall be prior, superior, and paramount to all  
10 other liens of whatsoever kind or character.

11 J. In addition to any other penalties prescribed by law, the  
12 following penalty shall be imposed ~~by enforcement officers~~ upon any  
13 owner or operator of a commercial vehicle registered under the  
14 provisions of this section when the laden weight or combined laden  
15 weight of such vehicle is found to be in excess of that for which  
16 registered. The penalty shall be imposed each and every time a  
17 vehicle is found to be in violation of the registered laden weight  
18 or combined laden weight.

19 The penalty shall be not less than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) when  
20 such vehicle exceeds the laden weight or combined laden weight by  
21 two thousand one (2,001) pounds; thereafter, an additional penalty  
22 of not less than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) shall be imposed for each  
23 additional one thousand (1,000) pounds or fraction thereof of weight  
24 in excess of the registered laden weight or combined laden weight.

1 ~~Such penalty shall not exceed the amount established by the~~  
2 ~~Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of~~  
3 ~~Section 1167 of this title.~~ Revenue from such penalties shall be  
4 apportioned as provided in Section 1167 of this title.

5 SECTION 62. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1133.2, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 1133.2 A. Every commercial motor vehicle, whether  
8 private, contract or for hire, of twenty-six thousand (26,000)  
9 pounds or greater weight shall display the name of the vehicle  
10 registrant on each side of the vehicle in two-inch letters or  
11 greater which shall be legible from a distance of fifty (50) feet.  
12 The city or town serving as the registrant's principal place of  
13 business or postal address shall be displayed in two-inch letters or  
14 greater on each side of the vehicle adjacent to the registrant's  
15 name. Provided however, in the instance of an Interstate Motor  
16 Carrier the address need not be displayed if the Interstate Commerce  
17 Commission number is displayed on the vehicle.

18 B. Those not complying with the provisions of this section  
19 shall be assessed a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars  
20 (\$100.00). Such penalty shall not exceed the amount established by  
21 the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection  
22 A of Section ~~3~~ 1167 of this ~~act~~ title. Revenue from such fines  
23 shall be apportioned as provided in Section ~~3~~ 1167 of this ~~act~~  
24 title. Any person in violation of the provisions of this section

1 may be cited by the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, ~~the~~ a Corporation  
2 Commission enforcement officer assigned to a weigh station, or any  
3 county sheriff or municipal law enforcement officer. Any fines  
4 collected by a county sheriff or municipal law enforcement officer  
5 shall be deposited in the respective county or municipal treasury.

6 C. After a fine has been assessed pursuant to the provisions of  
7 subsection B of this section, the offender shall have ten (10) days  
8 to display the name of the registrant on the vehicle as provided in  
9 subsection A of this section.

10 D. Out-of-state vehicles which have a base license plate from a  
11 state other than Oklahoma shall be exempt from this section unless  
12 such vehicle is being utilized in intrastate commerce.

13 E. The name on the side of the vehicle may differ from the name  
14 on the vehicle registration only if a bona fide legal lease is in  
15 the vehicle.

16 SECTION 63. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1140, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1140. A. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall adopt rules  
19 prescribing minimum qualifications and requirements for locating  
20 motor license agencies and for persons applying for appointment as a  
21 motor license agent; provided, after the effective date of this act  
22 such qualifications and requirements shall apply to agents in all  
23 areas of this state. Such qualifications and requirements shall  
24 include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1        1. Necessary job skills and experience;
- 2        2. Minimum office hours;
- 3        3. Provision for sufficient staffing, equipment, office space  
4 and parking to provide maximum efficiency and maximum convenience to  
5 the public;
- 6        4. Obtainment of a faithful performance surety bond as provided  
7 for by law;
- 8        5. A requirement that operation of a motor license agency be  
9 the primary source of income for said agent;
- 10       6. That the applicant has not been convicted of a felony and  
11 that no felony charges are pending against the applicant;
- 12       7. That a complete financial statement be submitted by the  
13 applicant on forms provided by the Tax Commission;
- 14       8. That a report of the applicant's credit history be obtained  
15 through the appropriate credit bureau; and
- 16       9. That the location specified in the application for  
17 appointment as a motor license agent not be owned by a member of the  
18 Oklahoma Legislature or any person related to a member of the  
19 Oklahoma Legislature within the third degree by consanguinity or  
20 affinity and that the location not be within a three-mile radius of  
21 an existing motor license agency unless the applicant is assuming  
22 the location of an operating agency. The Tax Commission may, at its  
23 discretion, approve the relocation of an existing agency within a  
24 three-mile radius of another existing agency only if a naturally

1 intervening geographic barrier within that radius causes the  
2 locations to be separated by not less than three (3) miles of  
3 roadway by the most direct route.

4 After the necessary information has been forwarded to the Tax  
5 Commission, each applicant shall be interviewed by the Tax  
6 Commission or its designees and each item of information shall be  
7 reviewed.

8 Any person making application to the Tax Commission for the  
9 purpose of becoming a motor license agent shall pay when submitting  
10 the application, a nonrefundable application fee of One Hundred  
11 Dollars (\$100.00). All such application fees shall be deposited in  
12 the Oklahoma Tax Commission Revolving Fund.

13 Upon application by a person to serve as a motor license agent,  
14 in such counties, the Tax Commission shall make a determination  
15 whether such person and such location meets the qualifications and  
16 requirements prescribed herein and, if such be the case, shall  
17 appoint such person to serve as a motor license agent.

18 A motor license agent, appointed pursuant to this subsection  
19 shall be permitted to operate a motor license agency at a single  
20 location and shall be prohibited from operating subagencies or  
21 branch agencies, unless such subagencies or branch agencies were  
22 established prior to June 1, 1985.

23 Unless otherwise specifically provided, motor license agents  
24 appointed pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to all laws



1 relating to motor license agents and shall be subject to removal at  
2 the will of the Tax Commission.

3 B. Before the effective date of this act, in all counties of  
4 this state having a population of less than one hundred thirty  
5 thousand (130,000) and in municipalities having a population of less  
6 than eight thousand five hundred (8,500) located in a county having  
7 a population in excess of one hundred thirty thousand (130,000),  
8 according to the latest Federal Decennial Census, the Tax Commission  
9 shall appoint as many motor license agents as it deems necessary to  
10 carry out the provisions of the ~~Motor~~ Oklahoma Vehicle License and  
11 Registration Act. Provided, that in counties with a population in  
12 excess of twenty-five thousand (25,000) persons, according to the  
13 latest Federal Decennial Census, having only one motor license agent  
14 serving the county, the Tax Commission shall establish at least one  
15 additional agency to serve the county. Any motor license agent  
16 appointed pursuant to this subsection before the effective date of  
17 this act may continue to serve until such agent vacates the position  
18 by reason of resignation, removal, death or otherwise.

19 All motor license agents shall be self-employed independent  
20 contractors and shall be under the supervision of the Tax  
21 Commission; provided, any agent authorized to issue registrations  
22 pursuant to the International Registration Plan shall also be under  
23 the supervision of the Corporation Commission, subject to rules  
24 promulgated by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions

1 of subsection E of Section 1166 of this title. Any such agent, upon  
2 being appointed, shall furnish and file with the Tax Commission a  
3 bond in such amount as may be fixed by the Tax Commission. Such  
4 agent shall be removable at the will of the Tax Commission. Such  
5 agent shall perform all duties and do such things in the  
6 administration of the laws of this state as shall be enjoined upon  
7 and required by the Tax Commission or the Corporation Commission.  
8 Provided, the Tax Commission may operate a motor license agency in  
9 any county where a vacancy occurs.

10 C. In the event of a vacancy existing by reason of resignation,  
11 removal, death or otherwise, in the position of any motor license  
12 agent, the Tax Commission is hereby empowered and authorized to take  
13 any and all actions it deems appropriate in order to provide for the  
14 orderly transition and for the maintenance of operations of the  
15 motor license agency including but not limited to the designation of  
16 one of its regular employees to serve as "acting agent" without  
17 bond, and to receive and expend all fees or charges authorized or  
18 provided by law and exercise the same powers and authority as a  
19 regularly appointed motor license agent. An acting agent may be  
20 authorized by the Tax Commission equally as the preceding agent to  
21 make disbursements from any balances in the preceding motor license  
22 agent's operating account and the agent's operating funds for the  
23 payment of expenses of operations and salaries and other overhead.  
24 If such funds are insufficient, the Tax Commission is authorized to

1 expend from funds appropriated for the operation of the Tax  
2 Commission such amounts as are necessary to maintain and continue  
3 the operation of any such motor license agency until a successor  
4 agent is appointed and qualified. The Tax Commission may require a  
5 blanket fiduciary bond of the agency employees.

6 D. Any motor license agency operated by a motor license agent  
7 who has been charged with a felony shall be closed immediately. The  
8 State Auditor and Inspector shall immediately conduct an audit of  
9 such motor license agency and forward the report of the audit to the  
10 Tax Commission for review. The Tax Commission shall determine  
11 whether the motor license agency shall be reopened and operated by  
12 the motor license agent or whether the agency shall be reopened and  
13 operated by the Tax Commission. The review of the audit and the Tax  
14 Commission determination shall be effected as soon as possible to  
15 prevent additional inconvenience to the public.

16 E. When an application for registration is made with the Tax  
17 Commission, Corporation Commission or a motor license agent, a  
18 registration fee of One Dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) shall  
19 be collected for each license plate or decal issued. Such fees  
20 shall be in addition to the registration fees on motor vehicles and  
21 when an application for registration is made to the motor license  
22 agent such motor license agent shall retain a fee as provided in  
23 Section 1141.1 of this title. When the fee is paid by a person  
24 making application directly with the Tax Commission or Corporation

1 Commission, as applicable, the registration fees shall be in the  
2 same amount as provided for motor license agents and the fee  
3 provided by Section 1141.1 of this title shall be deposited in the  
4 Oklahoma Tax Commission Revolving Fund or as provided in Section  
5 1167 of this title, as applicable. The Tax Commission shall prepare  
6 schedules of registration fees and charges for titles which shall  
7 include the fees for such agents and all fees and charges paid by a  
8 person shall be listed separately on the application and  
9 registration and totaled on the application and registration. The  
10 motor license agents shall charge only such fees as are specifically  
11 provided for by law, and all such authorized fees shall be posted in  
12 such a manner that any person shall have notice of all fees that are  
13 imposed by law.

14 F. No person shall be appointed as a motor license agent unless  
15 the person has attested under oath that the person is not related by  
16 affinity or consanguinity within the third degree to:

- 17 1. Any member of the Oklahoma Legislature;
- 18 2. Any person who has served as a member of the Oklahoma  
19 Legislature within the two-year period preceding the date of  
20 appointment as motor license agent; or
- 21 3. Any employee of the Tax Commission.

22 G. Any motor license agent appointed under the provisions of  
23 this title shall be responsible for all costs incurred by the Tax  
24 Commission when relocating an existing motor license agency. The

1 Tax Commission may waive payment of such costs in case of unforeseen  
2 business or emergency conditions beyond the control of the agent.

3 SECTION 64. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1151, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 1151. A. It shall be unlawful for any person to commit  
6 any of the following acts:

7 1. To lend or to sell to, or knowingly permit the use of by,  
8 one not entitled thereto any certificate of title, license plate or  
9 decal issued to or in the custody of the person so lending or  
10 permitting the use thereof;

11 2. To alter or in any manner change a certificate of title,  
12 registration certificate, license plate or decal issued under the  
13 laws of this or any other state;

14 3. To procure from another state or country, or display upon  
15 any vehicle owned by such person within this state, except as  
16 otherwise provided in the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration  
17 Act, any license plate issued by any state or country other than  
18 this state, unless there shall be displayed upon such vehicle at all  
19 times the current license plate and decal assigned to it by the  
20 Oklahoma Tax Commission or the Corporation Commission or the vehicle  
21 shall display evidence that the vehicle is registered as a  
22 nonresident vehicle pursuant to rules promulgated by the Tax  
23 Commission, with the concurrence of the Department of Public Safety.  
24 A violation of the provisions of this paragraph shall be presumed to

1 have occurred if a person who is the holder of an Oklahoma driver  
2 license operates a vehicle owned by such person on the public roads  
3 or highways of this state and there is not displayed on the vehicle  
4 a current Oklahoma license plate and decal, unless the vehicle is  
5 owned by a member of the Armed Forces of the United States assigned  
6 to duty in this state in compliance with official military or naval  
7 orders or the spouse of such a member of the Armed Forces;

8 4. To drive, operate or move, or for the owner to cause or  
9 permit to be driven or moved, upon the roads, streets or highways of  
10 this state, any vehicle loaded in excess of its registered laden  
11 weight, or which is licensed for a capacity less than the  
12 manufacturer's rated capacity as provided for in the Oklahoma  
13 Vehicle License and Registration Act;

14 5. To operate a vehicle without proper license plate or decal  
15 or on which all taxes due the state have not been paid;

16 6. To buy, sell or dispose of, or possess for sale, use or  
17 storage, any secondhand or used vehicle on which the registration or  
18 license fee has not been paid, as required by law, and on which  
19 vehicle the person neglects, fails or refuses to display at all  
20 times the license plate or decal assigned to it;

21 7. To give a fictitious name or fictitious address or make any  
22 misstatement of facts in application for certificate of title and  
23 registration of a vehicle;

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1 8. To purchase a license plate on an assigned certificate of  
2 title. This particular paragraph shall be applicable to all persons  
3 except a bona fide registered dealer in used cars who are holders of  
4 a current and valid used car dealer license;

5 9. To operate a vehicle upon the highways of this state after  
6 the registration deadline for that vehicle without a proper license  
7 plate, as prescribed by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and  
8 Registration Act, for the current year;

9 10. For any owner of a vehicle registered on the basis of laden  
10 weight to fail or refuse to weigh or reweigh it when requested to do  
11 so by any law enforcement officer or enforcement officer of the  
12 Corporation Commission at or within seven (7) miles of a weigh  
13 station charged with the duty of enforcing this law;

14 11. To operate or possess any vehicle which bears a motor  
15 number or serial number other than the original number placed  
16 thereon by the factory except a number duly assigned and authorized  
17 by the state;

18 12. For any motor license agent to release a license plate, a  
19 manufactured home registration receipt, decal or excise tax receipt  
20 to any unauthorized person or source, including any dealer in new or  
21 used motor vehicles. Violation of this paragraph shall constitute  
22 sufficient grounds for discharge of a motor license agent by the Tax  
23 Commission;

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1 13. To operate any vehicle registered as a commercial vehicle  
2 without the lettering requirements of Section 1102 of this title; or

3 14. To operate any vehicle in violation of the provisions of  
4 Sections 7-600 through 7-606 of this title while displaying a yearly  
5 decal issued to the owner who has filed an affidavit with the  
6 appropriate motor license agent in accordance with Section 7-607 of  
7 this title.

8 Any person convicted of violating any provision of this  
9 subsection, other than paragraph 3 of this subsection, shall be  
10 deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished  
11 by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Any person  
12 convicted of violating the provisions of paragraph 3 of this  
13 subsection shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon  
14 conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred  
15 Dollars (\$100.00) and not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)  
16 and shall be required to obtain an Oklahoma license plate.

17 ~~Employees~~ Enforcement officers of the Corporation Commission  
18 assigned to weigh stations may be authorized by the Corporation  
19 Commission to issue citations at or within seven (7) miles of a  
20 weight station to motor carriers or operators of commercial motor  
21 vehicles, pursuant to the jurisdiction of the Corporation  
22 Commission, for a violation of this subsection. If a person  
23 convicted of violating the provisions of this subsection was issued  
24 a citation by a duly authorized employee of the Corporation



1 Commission, the fine herein levied shall be apportioned as provided  
2 in Section 1167 of this title.

3 B. Except as otherwise authorized by law, it shall be unlawful  
4 to:

5 1. Lend or sell to, or knowingly permit the use of by, one not  
6 entitled thereto any certificate of title issued for a manufactured  
7 home, manufactured home registration receipt, manufactured home  
8 registration decal or excise tax receipt;

9 2. Alter or in any manner change a certificate of title issued  
10 for a manufactured home under the laws of this state or any other  
11 state;

12 3. Remove or alter a manufactured home registration receipt,  
13 manufactured home registration decal or excise tax receipt attached  
14 to a certificate of title or attach such receipts to a certificate  
15 of title with the intent to misrepresent the payment of the required  
16 excise tax and registration fees;

17 4. Buy, sell, or dispose of, or possess for sale, use or  
18 storage any used manufactured home on which the registration fees or  
19 excise taxes have not been paid as required by law; or

20 5. Purchase identification, manufactured home registration  
21 receipt, manufactured home registration decal or excise tax receipt  
22 on an assigned certificate of title.

23 Anyone violating the provisions of this subsection, upon  
24 conviction, shall be guilty of a felony.

1 C. Except as provided in subsection C of Section 1127 of this  
2 title, in the event a new vehicle is not registered within thirty  
3 (30) days from date of purchase, the penalty for the failure of the  
4 owner of the vehicle to register the vehicle within thirty (30) days  
5 shall be One Dollar (\$1.00) per day; provided, that in no event  
6 shall the penalty exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Of each  
7 dollar penalty collected pursuant to this subsection:

8 1. Twenty-five cents (\$0.25) shall be apportioned as provided  
9 in Section 1104 of this title;

10 2. Twenty-five cents (\$0.25) shall be retained by the motor  
11 license agent; and

12 3. Fifty cents (\$0.50) shall be deposited in the General  
13 Revenue Fund for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2011, and for  
14 all subsequent fiscal years, shall be deposited in the State Highway  
15 Construction and Maintenance Fund. The penalty for new commercial  
16 vehicles shall be equal to the license fee for such vehicles.

17 Except as provided in subsection C of Section 1127 of this  
18 title, if a used vehicle is brought into Oklahoma by a resident of  
19 this state and is not registered within thirty (30) days, a penalty  
20 of One Dollar (\$1.00) per day shall be charged from the date of  
21 entry to the date of registration; provided, that in no event shall  
22 the penalty exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Of each dollar  
23 penalty collected pursuant to this subsection:

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1        1. Twenty-five cents (\$0.25) shall be apportioned as provided  
2 in Section 1104 of this title;

3        2. Twenty-five cents (\$0.25) shall be retained by the motor  
4 license agent; and

5        3. Fifty cents (\$0.50) shall be deposited in the General  
6 Revenue Fund for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2011, and for  
7 all subsequent fiscal years, shall be deposited in the State Highway  
8 Construction and Maintenance Fund. The penalty for used commercial  
9 vehicles shall be equal to the license fee for such vehicles.

10       D. Any owner who knowingly makes or causes to be made any false  
11 statement of a fact required in this section to be shown in an  
12 application for the registration of one or more vehicles shall be  
13 deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined  
14 not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or shall be  
15 imprisoned in the county jail for not more than one (1) year, or by  
16 both such fine and imprisonment.

17       E. The following self-propelled or motor-driven and operated  
18 vehicles shall not be registered under the provisions of the  
19 Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act or, except as provided  
20 for in Section 11-1116 of this title, be permitted to be operated on  
21 the streets or highways of this state:

22       1. Vehicles known and commonly referred to as "minibikes" and  
23 other similar trade names; provided, minibikes may be registered and  
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1 operated in this state by food vendor services upon streets having a  
2 speed limit of thirty (30) miles per hour or less;

3 2. Golf carts;

4 3. Go-carts; and

5 4. Other motor vehicles, except motorcycles, which are  
6 manufactured principally for use off the streets and highways.

7 Transfers and sales of such vehicles shall be subject to sales  
8 tax and not motor vehicle excise taxes.

9 F. Any person violating paragraph 3 or 6 of subsection A of  
10 this section, in addition to the penal provisions provided in this  
11 section, shall pay as additional penalty a sum equal to the amount  
12 of license fees due on such vehicle or registration fees due on a  
13 manufactured home known to be in violation and such amount is hereby  
14 declared to be a lien upon the vehicle as provided in the Oklahoma  
15 Vehicle License and Registration Act. In addition to the penalty  
16 provisions provided in this section, any person violating paragraph  
17 3 of subsection A of this section shall be deemed guilty of a  
18 misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of One  
19 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

20 G. Each violation of any provision of the Oklahoma Vehicle  
21 License and Registration Act for each and every day such violation  
22 has occurred shall constitute a separate offense.

23 H. Anyone violating any of the provisions heretofore enumerated  
24 in this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction

1 shall be fined not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and not to exceed  
2 Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

3 I. Any violation of any portion of the Oklahoma Vehicle License  
4 and Registration Act where a specific penalty has not been imposed  
5 shall constitute a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof the  
6 person having violated it shall be fined not less than Ten Dollars  
7 (\$10.00) and not to exceed Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

8 J. Any provision of Section 1101 et seq. of this title  
9 providing for proportional registration under reciprocal agreements  
10 and the International Registration Plan that relates to the  
11 promulgation of rules and regulations shall not be subject to the  
12 provisions of this section.

13 SECTION 65. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1166, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 1166. A. Effective July 1, 2004, all powers, duties  
16 and responsibilities exercised by the Motor Vehicle Enforcement  
17 Section shall be transferred from the Oklahoma Tax Commission to the  
18 Corporation Commission. Beginning July 1, 2004, and effective July  
19 1, 2005, all powers, duties and responsibilities exercised by the  
20 International Registration Plan Section and the International Fuel  
21 Tax Agreement Section shall be transferred from the Tax Commission  
22 to the Corporation Commission. All records, property and matters  
23 pending of the sections shall be transferred to the Corporation  
24 Commission. ~~Funds sufficient to administer the powers, duties and~~

1 ~~responsibilities exercised by these sections shall be appropriated~~  
2 ~~or allocated to the Corporation Commission for fiscal year 2005 as~~  
3 ~~provided herein. Such funds appropriated or allocated to the~~  
4 ~~Corporation Commission shall not be subject to budgetary~~  
5 ~~limitations. The Director of State Finance is hereby authorized to~~  
6 ~~transfer such funds as may be necessary to effect such allocations.~~

7       B. ~~The period of July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005, shall be~~  
8 ~~a transitional period in which the Corporation Commission shall~~  
9 ~~gradually assume complete administration and management over the~~  
10 ~~powers, duties, responsibilities and staff currently carrying out~~  
11 ~~the administration of the International Registration Plan Section~~  
12 ~~and the International Fuel Tax Agreement Section. During this~~  
13 ~~transition period, the employees assigned to the International~~  
14 ~~Registration Plan Section and the International Fuel Tax Agreement~~  
15 ~~Section shall continue to be employees of the Tax Commission unless~~  
16 ~~otherwise agreed to by the Tax Commission and the Corporation~~  
17 ~~Commission. Effective July 1, 2005, the International Registration~~  
18 ~~Plan Section and the International Fuel Tax Agreement Section shall~~  
19 ~~be administered solely by the Corporation Commission. For the~~  
20 ~~period of July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005, the Corporation~~  
21 ~~Commission and the Tax Commission shall enter into a contract~~  
22 ~~whereby funds shall be paid to the Tax Commission by the Corporation~~  
23 ~~Commission in exchange for the Tax Commission's agreement to~~

1 ~~continue to operate the International Registration Plan Section and~~  
2 ~~the International Fuel Tax Agreement Section.~~

3 C. The powers, duties and responsibilities exercised by the  
4 Motor Vehicle Enforcement Section of the Tax Commission shall be  
5 fully transferred to the Corporation Commission on July 1, 2004.

6 D. All employees of the Tax Commission whose duties are  
7 transferred under this act shall be transferred to the Corporation  
8 Commission. Personnel transferred pursuant to the provisions of  
9 this section shall not be required to accept a lesser salary than  
10 presently received; provided, the provisions of this section shall  
11 not operate to prohibit the Corporation Commission or the Tax  
12 Commission from imposing furloughs or reductions-in-force with  
13 respect to such personnel as allowed by law. Personnel transferred  
14 shall be placed within the classification level in which they meet  
15 qualifications without an entrance exam. All such persons shall  
16 retain seniority, leave, sick and annual time earned and any  
17 retirement benefits which have accrued during their tenure with the  
18 Tax Commission. The transfer of personnel among the agencies shall  
19 be coordinated with the Office of Personnel Management.

20 E. Effective July 1, 2004, any administrative rules promulgated  
21 by the Tax Commission related to the administration of the  
22 International Registration Plan authorized by Section 1120 of ~~Title~~  
23 ~~47 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, the International Fuel Tax  
24 Agreement authorized by Section 607 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma

1 Statutes, or ~~the enforcement of~~ by Section 1115.1 of ~~Title 47 of the~~  
2 ~~Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title shall be transferred to and become a  
3 part of the administrative rules of the Corporation Commission. The  
4 Office of Administrative Rules in the Secretary of State's office  
5 shall provide adequate notice in the Oklahoma Register of the  
6 transfer of rules, and shall place the transferred rules under the  
7 Administrative Code section of the Corporation Commission. From and  
8 after July 1, 2004, any amendment, repeal or addition to the  
9 transferred rules shall be under the jurisdiction of the Corporation  
10 Commission. All documents issued by the sections transferred to the  
11 Corporation Commission, including, but not limited to, vehicle  
12 registrations and permits, shall be deemed to have been issued by  
13 the Corporation Commission.

14 F. The Corporation Commission may promulgate rules necessary  
15 for the utilization of motor license agents in the registration of  
16 vehicles pursuant to Section 1120 of ~~Title 47 of the Oklahoma~~  
17 ~~Statutes~~ this title.

18 SECTION 66. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1167, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 1167. A. The Corporation Commission is hereby  
21 authorized to promulgate rules pursuant to the Administrative  
22 Procedures Act to establish the amounts of fees, ~~finer and penalties~~  
23 as set forth in this act. The Corporation Commission shall notify  
24 all interested parties of any proposed rules to be promulgated as



1 provided herein and shall provide such parties an opportunity to be  
2 heard prior to promulgation.

3 B. The Corporation Commission shall adjudicate enforcement  
4 actions initiated by Corporation Commission personnel.

5 C. Revenue derived from all fines and penalties collected or  
6 received by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of  
7 this act shall be apportioned as follows:

8 1. The first Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000.00)  
9 collected or received each fiscal year shall be remitted to the  
10 Oklahoma Tax Commission and apportioned as provided in Section 1104  
11 of this title;

12 2. One-half (1/2) of the remaining amount shall be deposited to  
13 the Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund created in subsection D of this  
14 section; and

15 3. One-half (1/2) of the remaining amount shall be deposited to  
16 the Weigh Station Improvement Revolving Fund created in subsection E  
17 of this section.

18 D. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving  
19 fund for the Corporation Commission to be known and designated as  
20 the "Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund". The Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund  
21 shall consist of:

22 1. All funds apportioned thereto in subsection C of this  
23 section;

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1           2. Fees collected by the Commission to be retained as a motor  
2 license agent or other Corporation Commission registration or motor  
3 fuel fees as allowed by statute or rule; and

4           3. Any other monies to be utilized for the Trucking One-Stop  
5 Shop Act.

6           The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year  
7 limitations, and shall not be subject to legislative appropriation.  
8 Monies in the Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund shall only be expended for  
9 direct expenses relating to the Trucking One-Stop Shop Act.

10 Expenditures from the revolving fund shall be made pursuant to the  
11 laws of this state. In addition, expenditures from the revolving  
12 fund may be made pursuant to The Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act for  
13 the purpose of immediately responding to emergency situations,  
14 within the ~~Commission's~~ jurisdiction of the Commission, having  
15 potentially critical environmental or public safety impact.

16 Warrants for expenditures from the fund shall be drawn by the State  
17 Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the  
18 Director of State Finance for approval and payment.

19           E. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving  
20 fund for the Department of Transportation to be designated the  
21 "Weigh Station Improvement Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a  
22 continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall  
23 consist of all monies deposited thereto. All monies accruing to the  
24 credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and

1 expended by the Department for the purpose of constructing,  
2 equipping and maintaining facilities to determine the weight of  
3 vehicles traveling on the roads and highways of this state.  
4 Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the  
5 State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the  
6 Director of the Office of State Finance for approval and payment.

7 SECTION 67. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1168, is  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 Section 1168. All facilities and equipment under the  
10 administrative control of the Oklahoma Tax Commission and used for  
11 determining the weight of vehicles operated on the roads or highways  
12 of this state are hereby transferred to the Department of  
13 Transportation. Any funds appropriated to or any powers, duties and  
14 responsibilities exercised by the Tax Commission for such purpose  
15 shall be transferred to the Department. The Director of State  
16 Finance is hereby authorized to transfer such funds as may be  
17 necessary. The Department is hereby authorized to enter into an  
18 agreement with the Corporation Commission to operate ~~such facilities~~  
19 ~~or equipment~~ weigh stations. The provisions of this section shall  
20 not be construed to obligate the Department to incur expenses in  
21 connection with the administration of such facilities and equipment  
22 in an amount which exceeds deposits to the Weigh Station Improvement  
23 Revolving Fund.

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1 SECTION 68. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1169, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 1169. A. The Corporation Commission is authorized to  
4 revoke, suspend or deny the issuance, extension or reinstatement of  
5 any Corporation Commission issued motor carrier or commercial motor  
6 vehicle license, permit, registration, certificate or duplicate copy  
7 thereof issued pursuant to the jurisdiction of the ~~Corporation~~  
8 Commission, to any person who shall be guilty of:

9 1. Violation of any of the provisions of applicable state law,  
10 as determined by adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction;

11 2. Violation of rules promulgated by the ~~Corporation~~  
12 Commission;

13 3. Failure to observe or fulfill the conditions upon which the  
14 license, permit, registration or certificate was issued;

15 4. Nonpayment of any delinquent tax, fee or penalty to the  
16 Commission or the State of Oklahoma; or

17 5. Nonpayment of a uniform base state program delinquent tax,  
18 fee or penalty to a state or province participating with the  
19 ~~Corporation~~ Commission in that program.

20 B. The interest or penalty or any portion thereof ordinarily  
21 accruing by failure of the motor carrier, registrant or licensee to  
22 properly file a report or return may be waived or reduced by the  
23 ~~Corporation~~ Commission. No interest or penalties in excess of Ten  
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1 Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) shall be allowed except by order of  
2 the Commission.

3 C. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission shall promulgate rules setting  
4 forth the revocation, suspension or denial of a motor carrier or  
5 commercial motor vehicle certificate, registration, license or  
6 permit issued pursuant to the jurisdiction of the ~~Corporation~~  
7 Commission. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission shall additionally  
8 promulgate rules allowing for the collection and remittance of  
9 financial liabilities owed by a motor carrier, registrant, licensee  
10 or permittee to a state or province participating with the  
11 ~~Corporation~~ Commission in a uniform base state program or to another  
12 state agency.

13 D. Upon the revocation or expiration of any motor carrier or  
14 commercial motor vehicle license, permit, registration or  
15 certificate issued pursuant to the jurisdiction of the ~~Corporation~~  
16 Commission, all accrued taxes, fees and penalties due and payable  
17 under the terms of state law, rules or order imposing or levying  
18 such tax, fee or penalty shall become due and payable concurrently  
19 upon the revocation or expiration of the license, permit,  
20 registration or certificate and the licensee, permittee, registrant  
21 or certificate holder shall forthwith make a report covering the  
22 period of time not covered by preceding reports filed by said person  
23 and ending with the date of the revocation or expiration and shall  
24 pay all such taxes, fees or penalties owed.

1 E. No person shall knowingly, or intentionally, present an  
2 altered or fraudulent credential or document to the ~~Corporation~~  
3 Commission or to any duly authorized peace officer. Any person or  
4 persons violating the provisions of this subsection shall be found  
5 guilty of contempt of the Commission and shall, upon conviction  
6 thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than Two Thousand Dollars  
7 (\$2,000.00) for each offense.

8 SECTION 69. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1170, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Section 1170. A. Reports and files of the Corporation  
11 Commission concerning the administration of the International  
12 Registration Plan and the International Fuel Tax Agreement, shall be  
13 considered confidential and privileged, except as otherwise provided  
14 for by law, and neither the Commission nor any employee engaged in  
15 the administration of the International Registration Plan or  
16 International Fuel Tax Agreement or charged with the custody of any  
17 such reports or records nor any person who may have secured such  
18 reports or records from the Commission shall disclose any  
19 information obtained from the reports or records of any person.

20 B. The provisions of this section shall not prevent the  
21 Commission from disclosing the following information and no  
22 liability whatsoever, civil or criminal, shall attach to any member  
23 of the Commission or any employee thereof for any error or omission  
24 in the disclosure of such information:

1           1. The delivery to a taxpayer or a duly authorized  
2 representative of the taxpayer of a copy of any report or any other  
3 paper filed by the taxpayer pursuant to the provisions of the  
4 International Registration Plan or the International Fuel Tax  
5 Agreement;

6           2. The exchange of information that is not protected by the  
7 federal Privacy Protection Act, 42 U.S.C., Section 2000aa et seq.,  
8 pursuant to reciprocal agreements or compacts entered into by the  
9 Commission and other state agencies or agencies of the federal  
10 government;

11           3. The publication of statistics so classified as to prevent  
12 the identification of a particular report and the items thereof;

13           4. The examination of records and files by the State Auditor  
14 and Inspector or the duly authorized agents of the State Auditor and  
15 Inspector;

16           5. The disclosing of information or evidence to the Oklahoma  
17 State Bureau of Investigation, Attorney General, Oklahoma State  
18 Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, any district  
19 attorney, or agent of any federal law enforcement agency when the  
20 information or evidence is to be used by such officials to  
21 investigate or prosecute violations of the criminal provisions of  
22 the Uniform Tax Procedure Code or of any state tax law or of any  
23 federal crime committed against this state. Any information  
24 disclosed to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, Attorney

1 General, Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs  
2 Control, any district attorney, or agent of any federal law  
3 enforcement agency shall be kept confidential by such person and not  
4 be disclosed except when presented to a court in a prosecution for  
5 violation of the tax laws of this state or except as specifically  
6 authorized by law, and a violation by the Oklahoma State Bureau of  
7 Investigation, Attorney General, Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics  
8 and Dangerous Drugs Control, district attorney, or agent of any  
9 federal law enforcement agency by otherwise releasing the  
10 information shall be a felony;

11 6. The use by any division of the Commission of any information  
12 or evidence in the possession of or contained in any report or  
13 return filed or documents obtained by the Commission in the  
14 administration of the International Fuel Tax Agreement or the  
15 International Registration Plan;

16 7. The furnishing, at the discretion of the Commission, of any  
17 information disclosed by its records or files to any official person  
18 or body of this state, any other state, the United States, or  
19 foreign country who is concerned with the administration or  
20 assessment of any similar tax in this state, any other state or  
21 province or the United States;

22 8. The furnishing of information as to the issuance or  
23 revocation of any registration or license by the Commission as  
24 provided for by law. Such information shall be limited to the name



1 of the person issued the permit or license, the name of the business  
2 entity authorized to engage in business pursuant to the permit or  
3 license, the address of the business entity, and the grounds for  
4 revocation;

5 9. The disclosure of information to any person for a purpose as  
6 authorized by the taxpayer pursuant to a waiver of confidentiality.  
7 The waiver shall be in writing and shall be made upon such form as  
8 the Commission may prescribe;

9 10. The disclosure of information directly involved in the  
10 resolution of the protest by a taxpayer to an assessment of tax or  
11 additional tax or the resolution of a claim for a refund filed by a  
12 taxpayer, including the disclosure of the pendency of an  
13 administrative proceeding involving such protest or claim, to a  
14 person called by the Commission as an expert witness or as a witness  
15 whose area of knowledge or expertise specifically addresses the  
16 issue addressed in the protest or claim for refund. Such disclosure  
17 to a witness shall be limited to information pertaining to the  
18 specific knowledge of that witness as to the transaction or  
19 relationship between taxpayer and witness;

20 11. The furnishing to a prospective purchaser of any business,  
21 or his or her authorized representative, of information relating to  
22 any liabilities, delinquencies, assessments or warrants of the  
23 prospective seller of the business which have not been filed of  
24 record, established, or become final and which relate solely to the

1 seller's business. Any disclosure under this paragraph shall only  
2 be allowed upon the presentment by the prospective buyer, or the  
3 buyer's authorized representative, of the purchase contract and a  
4 written authorization between the parties; or

5 12. The furnishing of information as to the amount of state  
6 revenue affected by the issuance or granting of any registration or  
7 license or credit issued by the Corporation Commission as provided  
8 for by law. Such information shall be limited to the type of  
9 registration, license or credit issued or granted, the date and  
10 duration of such registration, license or credit, and the amount of  
11 such revenue. The provisions of this paragraph shall not authorize  
12 the disclosure of the name of the person issued such registration,  
13 license, exemption, credit, or the name of the business entity  
14 authorized to engage in business pursuant to the registration,  
15 license or credit.

16 SECTION 70. Sections 1 through 4 and Sections 6 through 69 of  
17 this act shall become effective July 1, 2014.

18 SECTION 71. Section 5 of this act shall become effective July  
19 1, 2012.

20 SECTION 72. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
21 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
22 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
23 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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1 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 4-4-12 - DO  
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