

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 55th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1728
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Impact:	Dept. of Labor: \$0

Research Analysis

The committee substitute for HB 1728 amends the Alternative Fuels Technician Certification Act. Responsibility for administration of certification exams is moved to the Commissioner of Labor. The timetable for conducting certification examinations is altered, and the waiting period to retake the test after failing is shortened from 90 days to 30. Liability insurance requirements are removed as a condition for certification. A new trainee certification is created.

The measure provides that any company installing or servicing equipment used in converting engines or used on alternative fuel stations would be required to provide proof of liability insurance to the Department of Labor with limits no less than \$1 Million.

The bill would move enforcement and penalty authority from the Alternative Fuels Technician Hearing Board to the Commissioner of Labor. The processes for denial, revocation or suspension of a certificate would be modified. Thirty days written notice would be required, during which time the applicant or licensee could request a hearing. New penalties are added, including failure to meet minimum National Fire Protection Association standards and performing work without certification.

Finally, the measure creates two new revolving funds using monies collected under the Act for the purpose of promoting the alternative fuels industry.

The measure includes an emergency clause.

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Fiscal Analysis

Upon review of HB 1728 as well as with consultation with the Oklahoma Department of Labor, it is determined HB 1728 has no direct fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

