

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB2098
Version:	Committee Substitute
Request Number:	
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Impact:	OTC: minimal revenue increase

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HB 2098 creates the 21st Century Motor Tag Agent Act. The measure prohibits a member or employee of the Tax Commission or any person related to a member or employee of the Tax Commission from appointment as a tag agent. The measure removes the prohibition on legislators or family members of legislators from being a tag agent. The measure increases the fine for a motor license agent or employee of an agent to operate a messenger or delivery service from \$1,000 to \$2,000. The measure provides that the fee that a motor license agent may charge for mailing a notarized document is to be determined by Title 49. The measure modifies the fee that a motor license agent may charge for mailing a license plate to be the cost of postage plus \$1.25. The measure modifies the fee that a motor license agent may charge for mailing a decal to be the cost of postage plus \$1.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2098 increases by \$1,000 a particular fine for certain violations by motor license agents. Additional revenue as a result of the increase will be dependent on the number of violations that are identified and prosecuted. It is not expected that violations will occur in quantities sufficient to yield material increase in fine revenue.

HB 2098 also modifies the postage fees for certain items mailed by the Tax Commission and motor license agents under the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. Officials from the Tax Commission (OTC) anticipate that increased mailing revenue will be offset by additional administrative costs and form updating required by periodically changing postage rates; costs that OTC contends are avoided by the current flat rate mailing fee system. For this reason, HB 2098 in its current form is expected to have only a minimal increase in revenue for OTC.

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Other Considerations

None.