SENATE CHAMBER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DISPOSITION

FLOOR AMENDMENT	No	
COMMITTEE AMENDA	<u>MENT</u>	
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Mr./Madame President:		
I move to amend Sena enacting clause and entire boo		tuting the attached floor substitute for the title,
		Submitted by:
		Senator Allen
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1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA		
2	1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)		
3	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE		
4	FOR SENATE BILL NO. 617 By: Allen of the Senate		
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8	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE		
9	[motor vehicles - regulation of motor carriers - methods of collection for certain administrative penalties - noncodification - repealer - effective		
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11	date - emergency]		
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:		
14	SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be		
15	codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:		
16	This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Safe Highway		
17	Commerce Act".		
18	SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 2-106.1, is		
19	amended to read as follows:		
20	Section 2-106.1. Subject to the Merit System laws, the		
21	Commissioner of Public Safety is hereby authorized to employ a		
22	supervisor of permit clerks, headquarters permit clerks and		
23	additional permit clerks, who shall have the duty to issue oversize		
24	and/or overweight permits in accordance with the terms of Chapter 14		

of this title and to collect the fees therefor and to remit the same to the Oklahoma Tax Commission.

A. Effective November 1, 2021, all powers, duties and responsibilities exercised by the Department of Public Safety Size and Weights Permits Division shall be transferred from the Department of Public Safety to the Department of Transportation.

All records, property and matters pending of the division shall be transferred to the Department of Transportation. Funds sufficient to administer the powers, duties and responsibilities exercised by the division shall be appropriated or allocated to the Department of Transportation for fiscal year 2022 as provided herein. Such funds appropriated or allocated to the Department of Transportation shall not be subject to budgetary limitations. The Director of Office of Management and Enterprise Services is hereby authorized to transfer such funds as may be necessary to affect such allocations.

B. The period of July 1, 2021, through October 31, 2021, shall be a transitional period in which the Department of Transportation shall gradually assume complete administration and management over the powers, duties, responsibilities and staff currently carrying out the administration of the Size and Weights Permits division.

During this transition period, the employees assigned to the Size and Weights Permits division shall continue to be employees of the Department of Public Safety unless otherwise agreed to by the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Transportation.

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1 | Effective November 1, 2021, the Size and Weights Permits division
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- 2 | shall be administered solely by the Department of Transportation.
- 3 | For the period of July 1, 2021, through October 31, 2021, the
- 4 | Department of Public Safety and the Department of Transportation
- 5 | shall develop and implement a reasonable and expeditious method for
- 6 | the expenditure of funds in support of Size and Weights Permits
- 7 division.
- 8 C. The powers, duties and responsibilities exercised by the
- 9 | Size and Weights Permits division of the Department of Public Safety
- 10 | shall be fully transferred to the Department of Transportation on
- 11 November 1, 2021.
- D. All personnel of the Department of Public Safety whose
- 13 duties are transferred under this act shall be transferred to the
- 14 Department of Transportation at the discretion of the Executive
- 15 Director. Personnel transferred pursuant to the provisions of this
- 16 | section shall not be required to accept a lesser salary than
- 17 | presently received; provided, the provisions of this section shall
- 18 | not operate to prohibit the Department of Public Safety or the
- 19 Department of Transportation from imposing furloughs or reductions-
- 20 in-force with respect to such personnel as allowed by law.
- 21 | Personnel transferred shall be placed within the classification
- 22 | level in which they meet qualifications without an entrance exam.
- 23 All such persons transferred shall retain seniority, leave, sick and
- 24 | annual time earned and any retirement benefits which have accrued

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    during their tenure with the Department of Public Safety. The
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    the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.
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        E. Effective July 1, 2021, any administrative rules promulgated
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    by the Department of Public Safety related to the administration of
    the Size and Weights Permits division shall be transferred to and
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    of State's office shall provide adequate notice in the Oklahoma
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    rules under the Administrative Code section of the Department of
    Transportation. From and after July 1, 2021, any amendment, repeal
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    or addition to the transferred rules shall be under the jurisdiction
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    of the Department of Transportation. All documents issued by the
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    division transferred to the Department of Transportation shall be
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    deemed to have been issued by the Department of Transportation.
        SECTION 3.
                       AMENDATORY
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    last amended by Section 1, Chapter 121, O.S.L. 2016 (47 O.S. Supp.
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    2020, Section 14-101), is amended to read as follows:
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        Section 14-101. A. It is a misdemeanor for any person to drive
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    or move or for the owner to cause or knowingly permit to be driven
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    or moved on any highway any vehicle or vehicles of a size or weight
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    exceeding the limitations stated in this chapter or otherwise in
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- vehicles herein specified shall be lawful throughout this state and local authorities shall have no power or authority to alter the limitations except as express authority may be granted in this chapter.
 - B. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of
 Transportation is directed to issue annual overweight permits to:
 - 1. Municipalities and rural fire districts for the transportation of firefighting apparatus at no cost to the municipalities or rural fire districts;

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- 2. Owners of implements of husbandry, which includes tractors that are temporarily moved upon a highway at no cost to the owner;
- 3. Retail implement dealers while hauling implements of husbandry at no cost to the dealer; and
- 4. Owners of certain vehicles as provided for in Section 14-15 103G of this title.
 - C. If a vehicle is issued a license pursuant to Section 1134.4 of this title, the license shall also serve as the overweight permit required by this section.
- D. All size, weight and load provisions covered by this chapter shall be subject to the limitations imposed by Title 23, United States Code, Section 127, and such other rules and regulations developed herein. Provided further that any size and weight provision authorized by the United States Congress for use on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, including but

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not limited to height, axle weight, gross weight, combinations of vehicles or load thereon shall be authorized for immediate use on such segments of the National System of Interstate and Defense

Highways and any other highways or portions thereof as designated by the Transportation Commission or their duly authorized representative.

- E. All size, weight and load provisions covered by Sections 14-101 through 14-123 of this title shall be subject to a gross vehicle weight limit of ninety thousand (90,000) pounds when applied to a vehicle operating off the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways unless such vehicle is operating in full compliance with an overweight permit issued by the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation.
- F. Any vehicle permitted for movement on the highways of this state as provided in Section 14-101 et seq. of this title, other than a vehicle permitted solely for overweight movement, shall be moved only during daylight hours. As used in Section 14-101 et seq. of this title, "daylight hours" shall mean one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation, for good cause and consistent with the safe movement of the vehicle, may endorse a permit for the movement of an oversize vehicle to authorize night time nighttime travel under such terms and

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1 restrictions as the Commissioner Department of Transportation may 2 require.
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- G. 1. Any vehicle permitted for movement on the highways of this state as provided in Section 14-101 et seq. of this title shall not be moved at any time on the following holidays:
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- b. Memorial Day (the last Monday in May),
- c. The Fourth of July (Independence Day),
- d. Labor Day (the first Monday in September),
- e. Thanksgiving Day (the fourth Thursday in November),
 and
 - f. Christmas Day (December 25).
- 2. Any vehicle permitted for movement on the highways of this state as provided in Section 14-101 et seq. of this title shall be allowed to move on the following holidays:
 - a. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday (the third Monday in January),
 - b. President's Day, also known as Washington's Birthday (the third Monday in February), and
 - c. Veteran's Day (November 11).
- 21 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103, as
 22 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 335, O.S.L. 2019 (47 O.S. Supp.
 23 2020, Section 14-103), is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-103. A. Except as otherwise provided for by this chapter, no vehicle, with or without load, shall have a total outside width in excess of one hundred two (102) inches excluding:

1. Tire bulge;

- 2. Approved safety devices;
- 3. A retracted awning with a width of eight (8) inches or less or other appurtenance of four (4) inches or less which is attached to the side of a recreational vehicle, as defined in Section 1102 of this title; and
- 4. Pins used as a safety precaution or as a load-assisting device if the pins do not extend the overall width of the vehicle beyond nine (9) feet. The State of Oklahoma hereby declares it has determined, in accordance with 23 C.F.R., Section 658.15, that such pins are necessary for the safe and efficient operation of motor vehicles.
- The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any person engaged in the hauling of round baled hay with a total outside width of eleven (11) feet or less when the hay is owned by such person and is being hauled for any purpose other than resale. The provisions of this subsection shall also not apply to any county official or employee engaged in the hauling or pulling of a trailer or equipment owned by the county on the county roads of such county.

B. Except as otherwise provided for by this chapter:

1. No vehicle, with or without load, shall exceed a height of thirteen and one-half (13 1/2) feet on any county road, or fourteen (14) feet on any turnpike, interstate, U.S. or state highway, unless a greater height is authorized by a special permit issued by the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation or an authorized representative of the Commissioner in consultation with the Department of Transportation specifying the highways to be used, consistent with public convenience and safety. The prohibitions on movement as prescribed in subsection F of Section 14-101 of this title and paragraph 1 of subsection G of Section 14-101 of this title shall not apply to vehicles operated pursuant to such permits;

- 2. An official state bridge vertical clearance map providing clearance heights as posted for bridges on the interstate, U.S. and state highway systems shall be available on the Oklahoma Department of Transportation website; and
- 3. Operators and owners of vehicles which exceed or have loads which exceed thirteen and one-half (13 1/2) feet shall be held liable for all damages to any part of structures spanning the highway or damages suffered by other affected parties caused by the vehicle or load exceeding the posted height;
 - C. Except as otherwise provided for by this chapter:
- 1. No single truck, with or without load, shall have an overall length, inclusive of front and rear bumpers, in excess of forty-five (45) feet;

2. No single bus, with or without load, shall have an overall length, inclusive of front and rear bumpers, in excess of forty-five (45) feet;

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- 3. On the National Network of Highways which includes the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways and four-lane divided Federal Aid Primary System Highways, no semitrailer operating in a trucktractor/semitrailer combination shall have a length greater than fifty-three (53) feet, except as provided in subsection C of Section 14-118 of this title which shall apply to semitrailers exceeding fifty-three (53) feet but not exceeding fifty-nine (59) feet six (6) inches. On the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways and four-lane divided Federal Aid Primary System Highways, no semitrailer or trailer operating in a truck-tractor/semitrailer and trailer combination shall have a length greater than fiftythree (53) feet;
 - b. On roads and highways not a part of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways or four-lane divided Federal Aid Primary System Highways, no semitrailer operating in a truck-tractor/semitrailer combination shall have a length greater than fiftythree (53) feet and no semitrailer or trailer

operating in a truck-tractor/semitrailer and trailer combination shall have a length greater than twenty-nine (29) feet. Except as provided for in subsection D of Section 14-118 of this title, no other combination of vehicles shall have an overall length, inclusive of front and rear bumpers, in excess of seventy (70) feet on all roads and highways. For the purposes of this paragraph, oil field rig-up trucks shall be considered to be truck-tractors, when towing a trailer or semitrailer;

- c. On the National Network of Highways the overall length limitation of a towaway trailer transporter combination may exceed length restrictions up to eighty-two (82) feet;
- d. As used in this section:
 - (1) The term "trailer transporter towing unit" shall mean a power unit that is not used to carry property when operating in a towaway trailer transporter combination, and
 - (2) The term "towaway trailer transporter combination" shall mean a combination of vehicles consisting of a trailer transporter towing unit and two (2) trailers or semitrailers with a total weight that does not exceed twenty-six thousand

1 (26,000) pounds; and in which the trailers or
2 semitrailers carry no property and constitute
3 inventory property of a manufacturer, distributor
4 or dealer of such trailers or semitrailers;

4. No combination of vehicles shall consist of more than two units, except:

- a. one truck and semitrailer or truck-tractor/semitrailer combination may tow one complete trailer or semitrailer, or
- b. vans, suburbans, blazers or other similar types of vehicles and self-propelled recreational vehicles with a three-quarter (3/4) ton or more rated capacity may tow a semitrailer and one complete trailer or semitrailer for recreational purposes only, provided the overall length, inclusive of the front and rear bumpers, does not exceed sixty-five (65) feet;
- 5. Poles and gas lines used to maintain public utility services, not to include new construction, may be moved during daylight hours, and during nighttime hours only in an emergency, subject to traffic and road restrictions promulgated by the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation, when the overall length does not exceed eighty (80) feet. When this length is exceeded, these loads are subject to the requirements of Section 14-118 of this title;

6. For the purposes of paragraphs 1, 3₇ and 4 of this subsection, the length of unitized equipment, which is defined to be equipment so constructed and attached to a rubber-tired vehicle that the vehicle and load become a unit and are for all practical purposes inseparable, shall be the length of the vehicle itself, and shall not include any protrusion of the equipment load so constructed or attached. The equipment shall not protrude for a distance greater than two-thirds (2/3) of the wheel base of the vehicle, shall not impair the driver's vision, and if less than seven (7) feet above the roadway, shall be safely marked, flagged or illuminated. Any such protruding structure shall be securely held in place to prevent dropping or swaying. Unitized equipment shall carry such safety equipment as shall be determined to be necessary for the safety, health₇ and welfare of the driving public by the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation;

- 7. For the purposes of paragraphs 1, 3_{7} and 4 of this subsection, a truck-tractor, when being towed by another vehicle with the wheels of its steering axle raised off the roadway, shall be considered to be a semitrailer as defined in Section 1-162 of this title;
- 8. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 3 of this subsection shall not apply to any contractor or subcontractor, or agents or employees of any contractor or subcontractor, while engaged in transporting material to the site of a project being constructed by,

for τ or on behalf of this state or any city, town, county τ or subdivision of this state; and

- 9. Special mobilized machinery, as defined in Section 1102 of this title, which exceeds the size provisions of this section shall only use the highways of the State of Oklahoma this state by special permit issued by the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation or an authorized representative of the Commissioner Department of Transportation. Such special permit shall be:
 - a. a single-trip permit issued under the provisions of Section 14-116 of this title, or
 - b. a special annual oversize permit issued for one (1) calendar year period upon payment of a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) plus any amount as provided by subsection H of Section 14-118 of this title.
- SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103C, is amended to read as follows:

Department of Transportation shall upon proper application issue a special permit to any person allowing the movement on state and federal highways of a structure in the form of a house or building, including but not limited to industrialized housing as defined in Section 14-103A of this title, not exceeding thirty-two (32) feet in width at the base, and thirty-four (34) feet in width at the top and twenty-one (21) feet in height. The permit shall specify the

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highways to be used, consistent with public convenience and safety,
as determined by the Commissioner of Public Safety, in consultation
with the Department of Transportation. In addition to the
prohibitions on movement as prescribed in Section 14-101 et seq. of
this title, such structures shall not be moved on Saturday or
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- B. If any structure or housing described in subsection A of this section has a width in excess of sixteen (16) feet, the towing vehicle shall be a tandem-axle vehicle of no less than two hundred twenty (220) horsepower.
- 11 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103D, as
 12 amended by Section 1, Chapter 269, O.S.L. 2012 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020,
 13 Section 14-103D), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 14-103D. A. No person shall transport or move a manufactured home on any public road or highway in this state, except as otherwise provided by law, without a permit issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 14-103A and 14-103C of this title and subsection B of this section, and without a current calendar year decal or current registration or a repossession affidavit issued pursuant to Sections 1110 and 1126 of this title.
 - B. In addition to the permit information required by the provisions of Sections 14-103A and 14-103C of this title, the permit shall also include the following:
 - 1. The name of the owner of the manufactured home;

2. The serial number or identification number of the manufactured home;

- 3. A legal description or the physical address of the location from which the manufactured home is to be moved;
- 4. A legal description or the physical address of the location to which the manufactured home is to be moved; and
- 5. The name of the firm or individual repossessing the manufactured home as it appears on the repossession affidavit, if the movement is for repossession purposes and the repossession affidavit is being used in lieu of current license plate and decal, as provided in subsection E of Section 1113 of this title.
- C. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Department of
 Public Safety Transportation shall not issue a permit to any person
 to transport or move a manufactured home without a current calendar
 year decal or current registration; provided:
- 1. Upon proof of possession of a dealer or in-transit license plate, issued by the Oklahoma Tax Commission according to the provisions of subsection D of Section 1128 of this title, the Department of Public Safety Transportation shall issue a permit to the holder of such license;
- 2. The Department of Transportation shall issue a permit to the holder of a perfected security interest in a manufactured home, or a licensed representative thereof, pursuant to a lawful repossession of the manufactured home, if the holder or representative is bonded

by the state, to move the manufactured home to a secure location
with a repossession affidavit; provided, all registration fees,
excise taxes or ad valorem taxes due on such home shall be required
to be paid within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the permit;
and

- 3. The Department of Transportation shall issue a permit to transport or move a manufactured home used for commercial purposes during the second through the sixth day of the first month of the following calendar year if the applicant can provide a special waiver and a commercial move affidavit authorized pursuant to Section 2813 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes. As used in this paragraph, "manufactured home used for commercial purposes" means a manufactured home owned by any lawfully recognized business entity the primary purpose of which is to provide temporary housing for the employees or contractors of such business entity.
- D. For the purposes of subsections A and C of this section, a manufactured home registration receipt and Manufactured Home Registration Decal attached to a certificate of title for a manufactured home or receipts and decal as authorized by subsection C of Section 1117 of this title shall be evidence of payment of the excise tax and registration fees required pursuant to the provisions of Section 1135 of this title and the Ad Valorem Tax Code.
- E. The Department of $\frac{\text{Public Safety}}{\text{Transportation}}$ shall notify the Oklahoma Tax Commission, the county assessor of the county from

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3 permits issued pursuant to the provisions of this section.

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- 4 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103E, is 5 amended to read as follows:
- Section 14-103E. A. Upon issuance of a permit pursuant to the provisions of Section 14-103D of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Department of Public Safety Transportation shall notify the Oklahoma Tax Commission of the issuance of such permit. The notification shall include the permit information required by subsection B of Section 14-103D of Title 47 of the Oklahoma
 - B. Upon notification of issuance of the permit pursuant to subsection A of this section, the Tax Commission shall notify the county assessor of the county in which the manufactured home is to be located, of the issuance of the permit. Such notification shall include the permit information required by subsection B of Section 14-103D of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- 19 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103G, as
 20 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 239, O.S.L. 2014 (47 O.S. Supp.
 21 2020, Section 14-103G), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 14-103G. A. 1. The Department of Public Safety

 Transportation may issue an annual vehicle permit under the

 provisions of this subsection to a specific vehicle, for the

- movement of oversize or overweight loads that cannot reasonably be
 dismantled. Unless otherwise provided by law, permits issued under
 this subsection shall be subject to the conditions described in
 paragraphs 2 through 8 of this subsection.
 - 2. Oversize or overweight loads operating under an annual vehicle permit shall not exceed:
 - a. twelve (12) feet in width,
 - b. fourteen (14) feet in height,
 - c. one hundred ten (110) feet in length, or
 - d. one hundred twenty thousand (120,000) pounds gross weight.
 - 3. Oversize or overweight loads operating under an annual vehicle permit under this subsection shall not transport a load that has more than a twenty-five-foot front overhang, or more than a thirty-foot rear overhang.
 - 4. The fee for an annual vehicle permit shall be Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) and shall be nonrefundable.
 - 5. The annual vehicle permit shall be issued for one (1) calendar year period and shall commence upon the date specified on the permit.
 - 6. An annual vehicle permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall be nontransferable between permittees.

7. The permitted vehicle or vehicle combination shall be registered in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 14 of this title for maximum weight.

- 8. An annual vehicle permit issued pursuant to this subsection may be transferred from one vehicle to another vehicle in the fleet of the permittee provided:
 - a. the permitted vehicle is destroyed or otherwise becomes permanently inoperable to the extent that the vehicle will no longer be utilized, and the permittee presents proof to the Department of Public Safety that the negotiable certificate of title or other qualifying documentation has been surrendered to the Department of Public Safety, or
 - b. the certificate of title to the permitted vehicle is transferred to someone other than the permittee, and the permittee presents proof to the Department of Public Safety Transportation that the negotiable certificate of title or other qualifying documentation has been transferred from the permittee.
- 9. A permit issued for loads specific to turbine blades, used for the purpose of wind generation, may exceed a length of one hundred ten (110) feet.
- B. 1. The Department of Public Safety Transportation may issue an annual vehicle permit under this subsection to a specific motor

carrier, for the movement of oversize or overweight loads that cannot reasonably be dismantled. An annual vehicle permit issued under this subsection may be transferred from one vehicle to another vehicle in the fleet of the permittee provided:

- a. that no more than one vehicle is operating at a time, and
- b. the original certified permit is carried in the vehicle that is being operated under the terms of the permit.
- 2. An annual vehicle permit issued under this subsection shall be sent to the permittee via first-class, registered mail, or at the request and expense of the permittee via overnight delivery service. The annual vehicle permit shall not be duplicated. The annual vehicle permit shall be replaced only if:
 - a. the permittee did not receive the original permit within seven (7) business days after the date of issuance,
 - a request for replacement is submitted to the
 Department of Public Safety Transportation within ten
 (10) business days after the original date of issuance of the permit, and
 - c. the request for replacement is accompanied by a notarized statement signed by a principal or officer of the permittee acknowledging that the permittee

understands the permit may not be duplicated and that if the original permit is located, the permittee shall return either the original or replacement permit to the Department of <u>Public Safety</u> Transportation.

3. A request for replacement of an annual vehicle permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be denied if the Department of Public Safety Transportation can verify that the permittee received the original annual vehicle permit.

- 4. Lost, misplaced, damaged, destroyed, or otherwise unusable annual vehicle permits shall not be replaced. A new permit shall be required and shall be issued by the Department of Public Safety Transportation.
- C. 1. The Department of Public Safety Transportation may issue an annual fleet permit under this subsection to an electric utility, regulated by the Corporation Commission or a rural electric cooperative solely for the movement of poles. An annual fleet permit issued under this subsection may be used by any vehicle in the fleet of the permittee provided that a certified copy of the permit is carried in each vehicle that is being operated under the terms of the permit.
- 2. Oversize loads operating under an annual permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed:
 - a. twelve (12) feet in width,
 - b. fourteen (14) feet in height, or

c. fifty-five (55) feet in length.

3. The annual fee for an annual fleet permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall be Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) and shall be nonrefundable.

- 4. The annual fleet permit shall be issued for a one-calendar-year period and shall commence upon the date specified on the permit.
- 5. The annual fleet permit issued under this subsection shall be sent to the permittee via first class, registered mail, or at the request and expense of the permittee via overnight delivery service. The annual permit shall be replaced only if:
 - a. the permittee did not receive the original permit within seven (7) business days after the date of the issuance,
 - a request for replacement is submitted to the
 Department of Public Safety Transportation within ten
 (10) business days after the original date of issuance of the permit, and
 - c. the request for replacement is accompanied by a notarized statement signed by an authorized person of the permittee acknowledging that if the original permit is located, the permittee shall either return the original or replacement permit to the Department of Public Safety Transportation.

6. A request for replacement of an annual permit issued under the provisions of this subsection shall be denied if the Department of Public Safety Transportation can verify the permittee received the original annual permit.

- 7. Lost, misplaced, damaged, destroyed or otherwise unusable annual permits shall not be replaced. A new permit shall be required and shall be issued by the Department of Public Safety Transportation.
- 8. For the purposes of paragraph 5 of subsection C of Section 14-103 of this title, the term "emergency" means any permitted movement of poles pursuant to the provisions of this subsection that is not for new construction of electric distribution facilities.
- D. 1. The Department of Public Safety Transportation shall issue an annual vehicle permit under this subsection to a transportation company or manufacturer of portable buildings solely for the movement of oversize portable buildings for a specific manufacturer of portable buildings. An annual vehicle permit issued under this subsection may not be transferred from one vehicle to another vehicle in the fleet. The name of the manufacturer shall be on the permit and on any portable building being moved. The original certified permit shall be carried in the vehicle that is being operated under the terms of the permit.
- 2. Oversize loads operating under an annual vehicle permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed:

a. twelve (12) feet in width at the wall with no more than a three-inch-eave overhang, or

b. fourteen (14) feet in height.

- 3. The total gross weight of oversize loads operating under an annual vehicle permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed forty-five thousand (45,000) pounds.
- 4. The tow vehicle shall be limited to two axles, and the vehicle identification number of the vehicle shall be on the permit.
- 5. The fee for an annual vehicle permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and shall be nonrefundable.
- 6. An annual vehicle permit issued under this subsection shall be sent to the permittee via first-class, registered mail, or at the request and expense of the permittee via overnight delivery service. The annual vehicle permit shall not be duplicated. The annual vehicle permit shall be replaced only if:
 - a. the permittee did not receive the original permit within seven (7) business days after the date of issuance,
 - a request for replacement is submitted to the
 Department of Public Safety Transportation within ten
 (10) business days after the original date of issuance of the permit, and

- c. the request for replacement is accompanied by a notarized statement signed by a principal or officer of the permittee acknowledging that the permittee understands the permit may not be duplicated and that if the original permit is located, the permittee shall return either the original or replacement permit to the Department of Public Safety Transportation.
- 7. A request for replacement of an annual vehicle permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be denied if the Department of Public Safety Transportation can verify that the permittee received the original annual vehicle permit.
- 8. A lost, misplaced, damaged, destroyed, or otherwise unusable annual vehicle permit shall be replaced for a fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).
- SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-109, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 317, O.S.L. 2019 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 14-109), is amended to read as follows:
- 18 Section 14-109. A. On any road or highway:

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- 1. No single axle weight shall exceed twenty thousand (20,000) pounds; and
- 2. The total gross weight in pounds imposed thereon by a

 vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed the value

 calculated in accordance with the Federal Bridge formula imposed by

 23 U.S.C., Section 127.

- B. Except as to gross limits, the formula of this section shall not apply to a truck-tractor and dump semitrailer when used as a combination unit. In no event shall the maximum load in pounds carried by any set of tandem axles exceed thirty-four thousand (34,000) pounds. Any vehicle operating with split tandem axles or tri-axles shall adhere to the formula.
- C. Except for loads moving under special permits as provided in this title, no department or agency of this state or any county, city, or public entity thereof shall pay for any material that exceeds the legal weight limits moving in interstate or intrastate commerce in excess of the legal load limits of this state.
- D. 1. An annual special overload permit may be purchased for vehicles transporting rock, sand, gravel, coal, flour, timber, pulpwood, and chips in their natural state, oil field fluids, oil field equipment or equipment used in oil and gas well drilling or exploration, and vehicles transporting grain, fertilizer, cottonseed, cotton, livestock, peanuts, canola, sunflowers, soybeans, feed, any other raw agricultural products, and any other unprocessed agricultural products, if the following conditions are met:
 - a. the vehicles are registered for the maximum allowable rate,

b. the vehicles do not exceed five percent (5%) of the
gross limits set forth in subsection A of this
section,

- c. the vehicles do not exceed eight percent (8%) of the axle limits set forth in subsection A of this section,
- d. no component of the vehicles exceeds the manufacturer's component weight rating as shown on the vehicle certification label or tag, and
- e. the vehicles operating pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph will not be allowed to operate on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.
- 2. Vehicles operating pursuant to this section must register for the maximum allowable rate and additionally shall purchase a nontransferable annual special overload permit from the Department of Public Safety Transportation for a fee of Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350.00). All monies collected shall be deposited to the credit of the Highway Construction and Maintenance Fund.
- E. 1. Oversize or overweight vehicles used for specialized transportation if the maximum weight does not exceed twenty-three thousand (23,000) pounds on any single axle and:
 - is a dual lane trailer with dual lane axles and the width of the transport vehicle or trailer exceeds twelve (12) feet in width, or

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- b. the overall gross vehicle weight of a single trailer meets or exceeds three hundred thousand (300,000) pounds, originates or terminates at the Tulsa Port of Catoosa, and the trip is confined within a thirty-mile radius of the Port.
- 2. Permit fees for oversize or overweight vehicles used for specialized transportation shall be in accordance with subsection A of Section 14-116 of this title.
- 3. Vehicles operating pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph will not be allowed to operate on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.
 - F. Exceptions to this section will be:

- 1. Utility or refuse collection vehicles used by counties, cities, or towns or by private companies contracted by counties, cities, or towns if the following conditions are met:
 - a. calculation of weight for a utility or refuse collection vehicle shall be "Gross Vehicle Weight".

 The "Gross Vehicle Weight" of a utility or refuse collection vehicle may not exceed the otherwise applicable weight by more than fifteen percent (15%).

 The weight on individual axles must not exceed the manufacturer's component rating which includes axle, suspension, wheels, rims, brakes, and tires as shown on the vehicle certification label or tag, and

b. utility or refuse collection vehicles operated under these exceptions will not be allowed to operate on interstate highways;

2. A combination of a wrecker or tow vehicle and another vehicle or vehicle combination if:

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- a. the service provided by the wrecker or tow vehicle is needed to remove disabled, abandoned, or accident-damaged vehicles, and
- b. the wrecker or tow vehicle is towing the other vehicle or vehicle combination directly to the nearest appropriate place of repair, terminal, or vehicle storage facility;
- 3. A vehicle operating pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 2 of this subsection will not be allowed to operate on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways unless it is a covered heavy-duty tow and recovery vehicle that:
 - a. is transporting a disabled vehicle from the place where the vehicle became disabled to the nearest appropriate repair facility, and
 - b. has a gross vehicle weight that is equal to or exceeds the gross vehicle weight of the disabled vehicle being transported; and
- 4. On the interstate highway system a vehicle designed to be used under emergency conditions to transport personnel and equipment

and to support the suppression of fires and mitigation of other
hazardous situations with a vehicle weight limit up to a maximum
gross vehicle weight of eighty-six thousand (86,000) pounds with
less than:

- a. twenty-four thousand (24,000) pounds on a single steering axle,
- b. thirty-three thousand five hundred (33,500) pounds on a single drive axle,
- c. sixty-two thousand (62,000) pounds on a tandem axle, or
- d. fifty-two thousand (52,000) pounds on a tandem rear drive steer axle.
- G. 1. Any vehicle utilizing an auxiliary power or idle reduction technology unit in order to promote reduction of fuel use and emissions because of engine idling shall be allowed an additional four hundred (400) pounds total to the total gross weight limits set by this section.
- 2. To be eligible for the exception provided in this subsection, the operator of the vehicle must obtain written proof or certification of the weight of the auxiliary power or idle reduction technology unit and be able to demonstrate or certify that the idle reduction technology is fully functional.
- 3. Written proof or certification of the weight of the auxiliary power or idle reduction technology unit must be available

- to law enforcement officers if the vehicle is found in violation of applicable weight laws. The additional weight allowed cannot exceed four hundred (400) pounds or the actual proven or certified weight of the unit, whichever is less.
 - H. On the Interstate Highway System, a vehicle carrying fluid milk products shall be considered a load that cannot be easily dismantled or divided, or "nondivisible".

- I. Utility, refuse collection vehicles or a combination of a wrecker or tow vehicle as described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection F of this section operating under exceptions shall purchase an annual special overload permit from the Department of Public Safety Transportation for One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). All monies collected shall be deposited to the credit of the Highway Construction and Maintenance Fund.
- SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-110, is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-110. The registration certificate for any truck, trailer, semitrailer or combination thereof shall be carried in or on the vehicle at all times and shall be presented on demand of any officer of the Department of Public Safety, Oklahoma Corporation

Commission, or any sheriff for inspection, and it shall be accepted in any court as prima facie evidence of weight registration or legally authorized load limit of the vehicle.

SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-111, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 249, O.S.L. 2012 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 14-111), is amended to read as follows:

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Section 14-111. A. Any officer of the Department of Public Safety, the Corporation Commission, any sheriff, or any salaried deputy sheriff is authorized to stop any vehicle upon any road or highway in order to weigh such vehicle by means of portable or stationary scales, or cause the same to be weighed by any official weigher, or upon any privately owned scales and may require that such vehicles be driven to the nearest or most convenient available scales for the purpose of weighing. Any officer weighing a vehicle pursuant to this section by means of portable scales shall allow the driver of the vehicle to move the vehicle to the most level weighing area available within two (2) miles of the stop. In the event that any axle weight or the gross weight of any such vehicle be found to exceed the maximum weight authorized by law, or by permit issued therefor, the officer may require, in the case of separable loads, the driver, operator or owner thereof to unload at the site such portion of the load as may be necessary to decrease the weight of such vehicle to the maximum weight authorized by law. Provided, however, that if such load consists of livestock, perishable $merchandise_{T}$ or merchandise that may be destroyed by the weather, then the driver shall be permitted to proceed to the nearest practical unloading point in the direction of destination before

discharging such excess cargo. All material so unloaded shall be cared for by the owner or operator of such vehicle at the risk of such owner or operator.

B. The operator of any truck or other vehicle transporting farm products for hire or other merchandise for hire shall have in his or her possession a certificate carrying the following information: name of the operator; driver license number; vehicle registration number; Corporation Commission Department of Transportation permit number; and statement of owner authorizing transportation of the products by above named operator. For the purposes of this section "certificate" includes electronic manifests and other similar documents that include all of the information required pursuant to this section.

Should the vehicle be loaded with livestock, the certificate shall include the number of animals, and should the livestock be the property of more than one person, a certificate signed by each owner carrying the above information including the number of animals owned by each owner shall be carried by the operator. Should the operator be the owner of the merchandise or livestock, the merchandise or livestock having just been purchased, the operator shall have in his or her possession a bill of sale for such merchandise or livestock. Should the operator be the owner of livestock or other farm products produced by the operator, the operator shall be required to show satisfactory identification and ownership of the vehicle. Any

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    shall be the responsibility of the operator or owner, or both.
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        The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a person
    who is transporting horses or livestock; provided, the person shall
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    not have been hired to transport the horses or livestock.
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        SECTION 12.
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    amended to read as follows:
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        Section 14-113. The Director of the Department of
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    restrictions as to the weights of vehicles to be operated upon any
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    climatic conditions. Nothing stated herein shall be construed to
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    grant local authorities the right to issue permits designed to
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    last amended by Section 3, Chapter 373, O.S.L. 2016 (47 O.S. Supp.
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    2020, Section 14-116), is amended to read as follows:
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        Section 14-116. A. The Commissioner of Public Safety
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    Department of Transportation shall charge a minimum permit fee of
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Forty Dollars (\$40.00) for any permit issued pursuant to the provisions of Section 14-101 et seq. of this title. In addition to the permit fee, the Commissioner Department of Transportation shall charge a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for each thousand pounds in excess of the legal load limit. The Commissioner of Public Safety

Department of Transportation shall establish any necessary rules for collecting the fees.

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The Department of Public Safety Transportation is authorized to establish an escrow account system for the payment of permit fees. Authorized motor carriers meeting established credit requirements may participate in the escrow account system for permits purchased from all size and weight permit offices in this state. Carriers not choosing to participate in the escrow account system shall be required to make payment of the required fee or fees upon purchase of each permit as required by law. All monies collected through the escrow account system shall be deposited to a special account of the Department of Public Safety Transportation and placed in the custody of the State Treasurer. Proceeds from permits purchased using the escrow account system shall be distributed as provided for in subsection H of this section. However, fees collected through such accounts for the electronic transmission, transfer or delivery of permits, as provided for in Section 14-118 of this title, shall be credited to the Department of

Public Safety Restricted Revolving Fund <u>Transportation Weigh Station</u>

Improvement Revolving Fund.

- C. 1. Application for permits shall be made a reasonable time in advance of the expected time of movement of such vehicles. For emergencies affecting the health or safety of persons or a community, permits may be issued for immediate movement.
- 2. Size and weight permit offices in all districts where applicable shall issue permits to authorize carriers by telephone during weekdays.
- D. No overweight permit shall be valid until all license taxes due the State of Oklahoma have been paid.
- E. No permit violation shall be deemed to have occurred when an oversize or overweight movement is made pursuant to a permit whose stated weight or size exceeds the actual load.
- F. Any permit issued for a truck or truck-tractor operating in combination with a trailer or a semitrailer shall contain only the license plate number for the truck or truck-tractor if the permittee provides to the Department of Transportation a list containing the license plate number, and such other information as the Department of Transportation may prescribe by rule, for each trailer or semitrailer which may be used for movement with the permit. When the permittee provides the list described in this subsection, the license plate number for any trailer or semitrailer to be moved with the permit shall not be included on the permit; provided, a trailer

or semitrailer which is not on the list shall not be authorized to
be used for movement with the permit. It shall be the
responsibility of the permittee to ensure the list provided to the
Department of Transportation is maintained and updated with any
fleet changes. The Department of Transportation shall adopt any
rules deemed necessary to administer the provisions of this
subsection.

- G. The first deliverer of motor vehicles designated truck carriers or well service carriers manufactured in Oklahoma shall not be required to purchase an overweight permit when being delivered to the first purchaser.
- H. Except as provided in Section 14-122 of this title, the first One Million Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$1,216,000.00) of proceeds from both the permit fees and the overweight permit fees imposed pursuant to subsection A of this section collected monthly shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the next Two Million One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,150,000.00) of proceeds from both the permit fees and the overweight permit fees imposed pursuant to subsection A of this section collected monthly shall be remitted to the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of training the Department of Public Safety port of entry officers whose powers and duties shall be specified by the Department of Public Safety through

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purpose set forth in that section and may be used for motor carrier permitting systems and motor carrier safety and enforcement.

SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-116a, is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-116a. Any person, firm, or corporation who moves or transports any load or manufactured home without a permit issued by the Department of Public Safety Transportation as required by the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as follows:

- 1. For the first such violation, by a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00);
- 2. For the second such violation, by a fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00); and
- 3. For the third and subsequent violations, by a fine of not less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

The permit shall be carried by the operator of the vehicle moving or transporting the load or manufactured home and shall be available for inspection by any law enforcement officer. If said operator is found not to possess a permit, the load or manufactured home shall not continue to be moved or transported. Thereafter, the load or manufactured home shall not be moved or transported further except by the operator of a vehicle moving or transporting the load

or manufactured home who is in possession of a permit authorizing the movement of the load or manufactured home.

SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-118, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 239, O.S.L. 2014 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 14-118), is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-118. A. 1. Pursuant to such rules as may be prescribed by Oklahoma agencies of jurisdiction, Oklahoma motor carriers may engage in any activity in which carriers subject to the jurisdiction of the federal government may be authorized by federal legislation to engage. Provided further, the Transportation Commission shall formulate, for the State Trunk Highway System, including the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, and for all other highways or portions thereof, rules governing the movement of vehicles or loads which exceed the size or weight limitations specified by the provisions of this chapter.

2. Such rules shall be the basis for the development of a system by the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of

Transportation for the issuance of permits for the movement of oversize or overweight vehicles or loads. Such system shall include, but not be limited to, provisions for duration, seasonal factors, hours of the day or days when valid, special requirements as to flags, flagmen and warning or safety devices, and other such items as may be consistent with the intent of this section. The permit system shall include provisions for the collection of permit

fees as well as for the issuance of the permits by telephone,
electronic transfer or such other methods of issuance as may be
deemed feasible.

- 3. The Department of Public Safety Transportation is authorized to charge a fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) for each permit requested to be issued by facsimile machine or by any other means of electronic transmission, transfer or delivery. The fee shall be in addition to any other fee or fees assessed for the permit. The fee shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the Department of Public Safety Restricted Revolving Fund Transportation and the monies shall be expended by the Department solely for the purposes provided for in this chapter.
- 4. It is the purpose of this section to permit the movement of necessary overweight and oversize vehicles or loads consistent with the following obligations:
 - a. protection of the motoring public from potential traffic hazards,

 - c. provision for normal flow of traffic with a minimum of interference.
- B. The Transportation Commission shall prepare and publish a map of the State of Oklahoma this state showing by appropriate symbols the various highway structures and bridges in terms of

1 maximum size and weight restrictions. This map shall be titled "Oklahoma Load Limit Map" and shall be revised periodically to 2 3 maintain a reasonably current status and in no event shall a period of two (2) years lapse between revisions and publication of the 5 printed version of the Oklahoma Load Limit Map. This map shall also be made available by the Department of Transportation on the 6 Internet, and in no event shall a period of six (6) months lapse 7 between revisions of the information provided on the Internet. 9 Provided, further, the Secretary of the Department of Transportation 10 shall prepare and publish a map of the State of Oklahoma this state showing the advantages of this state as a marketing, warehousing and 11 12 distribution network center for motor transportation sensitive 13 industries.

C. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of

Transportation, or an authorized representative, shall have the
authority, within the limitations formulated under provisions of
this chapter, to issue, withhold or revoke special permits for the
operation of vehicles or combinations of vehicles or loads which
exceed the size or weight limitations of this chapter. Every such
permit shall be carried in the vehicle or combination of vehicles to
which it refers and shall be open to inspection by any law
enforcement officer or authorized agent of any authority granting
such permit, and no person shall violate any of the terms or
conditions of such special permit.

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D. It shall be permissible in the transportation of empty trucks on any road or highway to tow by use of saddlemounts; i.e., mounting the front wheels of one vehicle on the bed of another leaving the rear wheels only of such towed vehicle in contact with the roadway. One vehicle may be fullmounted on the towing or towed vehicles engaged in any driveaway or towaway operation. No more than three saddlemounts may be permitted in such combinations. The towed vehicles shall be securely fastened and operated under the applicable safety requirements of the United States Department of Transportation and such combinations shall not exceed an overall length of seventy-five (75) feet. Provided, a driveaway saddlemount with fullmount vehicle transporter combination may reach an overall length of ninety-seven (97) feet on the National Network of Highways.

E. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of

Transportation, upon application of any person engaged in the

transportation of forest products in the raw state, which is defined

to be tree-length logs moving from the forest directly to the mill,

or upon application of any person engaged in the hauling for hire or

for resale, of round baled hay with a total outside width of eleven

(11) feet or less, shall issue an annual permit, upon payment of a

fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) each year, authorizing the

operation by such persons of such motor vehicle load lengths and

widths upon the highways of this state except on the National System

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of Interstate and Defense Highways. Provided, however, the
restriction on use of the National System of Interstate and Defense
Highways shall not be applicable to persons engaged in the hauling
of round baled hay with a total outside width of eleven (11) feet or
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- F. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of

 Transportation, upon application of any person engaged in the

 transportation of overwidth or overheight equipment used in soil

 conservation work with a total outside width of twelve (12) feet or

 less, shall issue an annual permit, upon payment of a fee of Twenty
 five Dollars (\$25.00) each year, authorizing the operation by such

 persons of such motor vehicle load lengths and widths upon the

 highways of this state except on the National System of Interstate

 and Defense Highways.
 - G. Farm equipment including, but not limited to, implements of husbandry as defined in Section 1-125 of this title shall be exempted from the requirement for special permits due to size. Such equipment may move on any highway, except those highways which are part of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, during the hours of darkness and shall be subject to the requirements as provided in Section 12-215 of this title. In addition to those requirements, tractors pulling machinery over thirteen (13) feet wide must have two amber flashing warning lamps symmetrically mounted, laterally and widely spaced as practicable,

visible from both front and rear, mounted at least thirty-nine (39) inches high.

- H. Any rubber-tired road construction vehicle including rubber-tired truck cranes and special mobilized machinery either self-propelled or drawn carrying no load other than component parts safely secured to the machinery and its own weight, but which is overweight by any provisions of this chapter, shall be authorized to move on the highways of the State of Oklahoma this state. Movement of such vehicles shall be authorized on the Federal Interstate System of Highways only by special permit secured from the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation or an authorized representative upon determination that the objectives of this section will be served by such a permit and that federal weight restrictions will not be violated. The special permit shall be:
- 1. A single-trip permit issued under the provisions of this section and Section 14-116 of this title; or
- 2. A special annual overweight permit which shall be issued for one calendar year period upon payment of a fee of Sixty Dollars (\$60.00).

The weight of any such vehicle shall not exceed six hundred fifty (650) pounds multiplied by the nominal width of the tire. The vehicle shall be required to carry the safety equipment adjudged necessary for the health and welfare of the driving public. If any oversized vehicle does not come under the other limitations of the

present laws, it shall be deemed that the same shall travel only
between the hours of sunrise and sunset. The vehicle, being
overweight but of legal dimension, shall be allowed continuous
travel. The vehicles, except special mobilized machinery, shall be
exempt from the laws of this state relating to motor vehicle
registration, licensing or other fees or taxes in lieu of ad valorem
taxes.

- I. 1. When such machinery has a width greater than eight and one-half (8 1/2) feet, or a length, exclusive of load, of forty-five (45) feet, or a height in excess of thirteen and one-half (13 1/2) feet, then the permit may restrict movement to a fifty-mile radius from an established operating base, and may designate highways to be traveled, hours of travel and when flagmen may be required to precede or follow the equipment.
- 2. Possession of a permit shall in no way be construed as exempting such equipment from the authority of the Director of the Department of Transportation to restrict use of particular highways, nor shall it exempt owners or operators of such equipment from the responsibility for damage to highways caused by movement of the equipment. Nothing in this subsection shall apply to machinery used in highway construction or road material production.
- 3. Upon the issuance of a special mobilized machinery driveaway permit as provided in this subsection, special mobilized machinery manufactured in Oklahoma shall be permitted to move upon the

highways of this state from the place of manufacture to the state line for delivery and exclusive use outside the state, and may be temporarily returned to Oklahoma for modification and repair, with subsequent movement back out of the state. Special driveaway permits for such movements shall be issued by the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation, who may act through designated agents, upon the payment of a fee in the amount of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) for each movement.

- 4. The size of the special mobilized machinery shall not be such as to create a safety hazard in the judgment of the Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation. Permits for such special mobilized machinery shall specify a maximum permissible road speed of sixty (60) miles per hour, designate safety equipment to be carried and may exclude use of highways of the interstate system.
- 5. When such equipment has a width greater than eight and one-half (8 1/2) feet, or a length exclusive of load of forty-five (45) feet, or a height in excess of thirteen and one-half (13 1/2) feet, the permit may designate highways to be traveled, hours of travel and when flagmen may be required to precede or follow the equipment.
- 6. Possession of a special driveaway permit shall in no way be construed as exempting such equipment from the authority of the Director of the Department of Transportation to restrict use of particular highways, nor shall it exempt the owners or operators of

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1 | such equipment from the responsibility for damage to highways caused 2 | by the movement of such equipment.
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- 3 SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-118.1,
- 4 is amended to read as follows:
- 5 Section 14-118.1. The Department of Transportation is
- 6 authorized to enter into agreements with governmental entities
- 7 outside this state for the issuance of regional and national
- 8 oversize and overweight permits for single-trip nondivisible loads.
- 9 The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of Transportation shall
- 10 adopt rules necessary to implement the agreements and shall issue
- 11 | multi-state permits for single-trip nondivisible loads in accordance
- 12 | with the terms of the agreements and shall receive and remit permit
- 13 | fees from a Department of Public Safety Transportation special
- 14 account in accordance with the agreements and state law.
- 15 SECTION 17. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-120, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:
- 17 Section 14-120. A. Manufactured items, with the exception of
- 18 | manufactured homes as defined in Section 1102 of this title and
- 19 | industrialized housing as defined in subsection B of Section 14-103A
- 20 of this title, exceeding sixteen (16) feet but not exceeding twenty-
- 21 three (23) feet in width traveling:
- 22 1. From a point of manufacture in the State of Oklahoma this
- 23 | state to a point of delivery in the State of Oklahoma this state or
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state or to a point of delivery in another state shall be permitted,

upon receipt of a special movement permit issued under the

provisions of subsection B of this section, to travel on any state

or U.S. highway in Oklahoma. Provided, however, the Commissioner of

Public Safety Department of Transportation is authorized to allow

such items in excess of twenty-three (23) feet in width to travel on

such highway if it is in the best interest of the state and a

special moving permit has been issued. Provided, further, that no

such load in excess of the limitations set forth in the applicable

United States Code shall be permitted to travel upon any portion of

the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

B. Every person desiring to transport manufactured items pursuant to the provisions of this section shall apply to the Department of Public Safety Transportation for a special movement permit on an application form prescribed by the Department. Upon approval of the application by the Department of Transportation, a special movement permit shall be issued for a fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Except as provided in Section 4 of this act 14-122 of this title, monies received from such special movement permit fees shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the General Revenue Fund. A permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall expire upon the completion of one trip

specified in subsection A of this section. The special movement
permit, and fee related thereto, shall be in addition to the permit
and fees required by Section 14-116 of this title.

- C. Highway escorts shall be required for transportation of items pursuant to the provisions of this section according to rules and regulations prescribed by the Department of Public Safety Transportation.
- 8 SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-120.1, 9 is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 14-120.1. A. Any vehicle or combination of vehicles with an outside width that exceeds twelve (12) feet operating on highways in the state, including the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, shall, in addition to being in compliance with provisions of Section 14-101 et seq. of this title, be accompanied by an escort vehicle or vehicles, as prescribed by the Department of Public Safety Transportation.
 - B. No person shall operate an escort vehicle for hire, as required by this section, unless the person has been certified by the Department of <u>Public Safety Transportation</u> as an escort vehicle operator.
 - C. Any person not required to be certified by the Department of Public Safety Transportation as an escort vehicle operator may tow a trailer when escorting a manufactured home. Such trailer shall not exceed eight and one-half (8 1/2) feet in width and twenty (20) feet

1 in length with siding not to exceed four (4) feet in height measured 2 from the bed of the trailer.

The trailer may only be used to transport supplies and equipment necessary to carry out the mission of escort vehicle operators.

- D. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of

 Transportation shall promulgate rules for the certification of operators of escort vehicles and the use of escort vehicles, as required by this section.
- 9 E. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of

 10 Transportation is hereby authorized to enter into reciprocal

 11 compacts and agreements with other states for the purpose of

 12 recognizing escort vehicle operator certifications issued by those

 13 states.
- SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-120.2, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 283, O.S.L. 2012 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 14-120.2), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 14-120.2. A. Every person required by the Department of Transportation, the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, or any federal agency or commission to have a law enforcement escort provided by the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division of the Department of Public Safety for the transport of any oversized load or hazardous shipment by road or rail shall pay to the Department of Public Safety

 Transportation a fee covering the full cost to administer, plan, and carry out the escort within this state.

B. If the Highway Patrol provides an escort to accompany the transport of an oversized load or hazardous shipment by road or rail at the request of any person that is not required to have a law enforcement escort pursuant to subsection A of this section, then the requestor shall pay to the Department of Public Safety

Transportation a fee covering the full cost to administer, plan, and carry out the escort within this state.

- C. The Department of Public Safety <u>Transportation</u> shall adopt a schedule of fees necessary to implement this section.
- D. All fees collected by the Department pursuant to this section shall be deposited to the credit of the Department of Public Safety Transportation Restricted Revolving Fund.
- SECTION 20. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-121, is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 14-121. A. No person shall operate a special combination vehicle within this state without a special combination vehicle permit for the vehicle issued by the Department of Public Safety Transportation. Such permit may be issued for operation upon Federal Aid Interstate Highways or four-lane divided Federal Aid Primary Highways and for access or egress between points of origin or destination.
- B. The Commissioner of Public Safety Department of

 Transportation shall promulgate rules for the issuance of special

 combination vehicle permits and shall collect an annual fee of Two

- Hundred Forty Dollars (\$240.00) for each such permit issued. Except
 as provided in Section 4 of this act, fees collected pursuant to
 this section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer to be credited
 to the General Revenue Fund in the State Treasury.
 - C. For the purposes of this section, a special combination vehicle shall consist of a truck-tractor semitrailer combination towing two complete trailers or semitrailers. No semitrailer or trailer used in such a combination shall have a length greater than twenty-nine (29) feet nor shall a special combination vehicle exceed the weight limitations imposed by Sections 14-109 and 14-116 of this title.
- SECTION 21. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 53, O.S.L.
- 13 | 2018 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 14-126), is amended to read as 14 | follows:
- 15 Section 14-126. A. As used in this section:

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- 1. "Affected area" means the entire width of the right-of-way
 of the route extended to a height of twenty-three (23) feet above
 the roadway;
- 2. "High-wide load" means a motor vehicle transporting property
 on any portion of a route where the vehicle exceeds the limitations
 on size imposed by Section 14-103 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma
 Statutes and no portion of the motor vehicle or the transported
 property has a greater width than twenty-eight (28) feet or a
 greater height than twenty-three (23) feet; and

1 3. "Political subdivision" means a city, village, town or 2 county.

- B. The following routes through Oklahoma are designated as Oklahoma high-wide corridors:
- 1. US-83, commencing at the Texas border and ending at the Kansas border; and
 - 2. a. commencing at the intersection of US-83 and US-270, proceeding east on US-270 to SH-51,
 - b. at the intersection of US-270 and SH-51, proceeding east on SH-51 to US-77,
 - c. at the intersection of SH-51 and US-77, proceeding north on US-77 to US-64,
 - d. at the intersection of US-77 and US-64, proceeding east on US-64 to SH-108,
 - e. at the intersection of US-64 and SH-108, proceeding south on SH-108 to SH-51,
 - f. at the intersection of SH-108 and SH-51, proceeding east on SH-51 to SH-97, and
 - g. at the intersection of SH-51 and SH-97, proceeding north on SH-97 and ending at East 21st Street; and
 - 3. a. commencing at the intersection of SH-51 and SH-99, proceeding north on SH-99 to US-60,
 - b. at the intersection of SH-99 and US-60, proceeding west on US-60 to SH-18, and

1 at the intersection of US-60 and SH-18, proceeding 2 north on SH-18 and ending at the Kansas border; and 3 4. US-169, commencing at the Kansas border and proceeding a. south on US-169 to SH-266, and 4 5 b. at the intersection of US-169 and SH-266, proceeding east on SH-266 and ending at SH-66; and 6 5. commencing at the intersection of SH-51 and SH-351, 7 a. proceeding south and east on SH-51 to US-69, 8 9 b. at the intersection of SH-51 and US-69, proceeding 10 north on US-69 to US-60, and at the intersection of US-69 and US-60 (2.5 mi. NE of 11 C. 12 Afton), proceeding east on US-60 and ending at the Arkansas border; and 13 6. US-183, commencing at the Texas border and proceeding north 14 on US-183 and ending at the intersection of SH-51; and 15 7. commencing at the intersection of US-183 and SH-9, 16 proceeding east on SH-9 to SH-146, 17 b. at the intersection of SH-9 and SH-146, proceeding 18 north on SH-146 to SH-152, 19 at the intersection of SH-146 and SH-152, proceeding 20 C. east on SH-152 to US-81, 21 at the intersection of SH-152 and US-81, proceeding d. 22

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south on US-81 to SH-37,

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1		е.	at the intersection of US-81 and SH-37, proceeding
2			east on SH-37 to SH-4,
3		f.	at the intersection of SH-37 and SH-4, proceeding
4			north on SH-4 to SH-152, and
5		g.	at the intersection of SH-152 and SH-4, proceeding
6			east on SH-152 and ending at MacArthur Boulevard; and
7	8.	a.	commencing at the intersection of US-270 and US-412,
8			proceeding east on US-412 to SH-132,
9		b.	at the intersection of US-412 and SH-132, proceeding
10			north on SH-132 to SH-45,
11		С.	at the intersection of SH-132 and SH-45, proceeding
12			east on SH-45 to US-64,
13		d.	at the intersection of SH-45 and US-64, proceeding
14			north on US-64 to US-60,
15		e.	at the intersection of US-64 and US-60, proceeding
16			east on US-60 to SH-74,
17		f.	at the intersection of US-60 and SH-74, proceeding
18			south on SH-74 to SH-15,
19		g.	at the intersection of SH-74 and SH-15, proceeding
20			east on SH-15 to US-77,
21		h.	at the intersection of SH-15 and US-77, proceeding
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23		i.	at the intersection of US-77 and SH-15, proceeding
24			east on SH-15 to US-177,

j. at the intersection of SH-15 and US-177, proceeding south on US-177 to US-64,

- k. at the intersection of US-177 and US-64, proceeding east on US-64 to SH-108, and
- 1. at the intersection of US-64 and SH-108, proceeding south on SH-108 and ending at SH-51.
- C. No person shall operate a high-wide load on the route described without a permit from the Department of Public Safety Transportation.
- D. Exclusive of incorporated municipal limits, no person may install any structure within the affected area without a permit from the Department of Transportation.
- E. Upon the effective date of this section, and exclusive of incorporated municipal limits, no person may do any of the following within the affected area:
- 1. Install any permanent structure without the authorization of the Department of Transportation; or
- 2. Take any action that would make any portion of the affected area permanently unavailable for use by a high-wide load.
- F. The Department of Transportation shall create additional design standards for improvements to the Oklahoma high-wide routes to prevent interference from permanent structures. These standards shall:

1. Maintain a minimum eighteen feet and zero inches (18'-0") vertical clearance above the road surface for all future overhead obstructions. Where bridges cross over the Oklahoma high-wide routes, they shall be designed, where possible, to allow for high-wide loads to quickly egress and ingress around the bridge utilizing on- and off-ramps;

- 2. Require all future overhead signage to be of cantilever design, where possible, to allow high-wide loads to shift lanes to prevent interference; and
- 3. Require all future bridge design or construction on the Oklahoma high-wide routes to accommodate a three hundred fifteen thousand (315,000) pound gross vehicle weight, single-lane design vehicle.
- G. Political subdivisions in which any portion of the Oklahoma high-wide route is located shall attempt to reach agreements among the affected parties and with persons using the high-wide route for high-wide loads regarding the allocation of costs and provision of services related to removing permanent structures that interfere with the use of any portion of the affected area by high-wide loads.
- H. Political subdivisions in which any portion of the Oklahoma high-wide route is located shall attempt to reach agreements among the affected parties and with persons using the high-wide route for high-wide loads to provide timely vehicle escorts for persons using the high-wide route for high-wide loads.

SECTION 22. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 161A, is amended to read as follows:

Section 161A. A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Household Goods Act of 2009 Safe Highway Commerce Act". The purpose of this act is to regulate intrastate transportation by motor carriers of household goods in such manner as to establish standards for public safety, fair competitive practices, adequate and dependable service, and protection of shippers from deceptive or unfair practices.

B. The provisions of this act, except as specifically limited herein, shall apply to the intrastate transportation of household goods by motor carriers over public highways of this state; and the regulations of such transportation, and the procurement thereof and the provisions of facilities therefor, are hereby vested in the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety.

Shipments contracted by the federal government, a state government, a tribal government or any local government or political subdivision thereof shall not be required to obtain a household goods certificate, but shall be regulated by the Commission

Department to achieve compliance with safety requirements and size and weight limitations.

Nothing in this act shall be construed to interfere with the exercise by agencies of the government of the United States of its power of regulation of interstate commerce.

C. As used in this act:

- 1. <u>"Commission"</u> <u>"Department"</u> means the Corporation Commission

 Department of Public Safety;
- 2. "Corporate family" means a group of corporations consisting of a parent corporation and all subsidiaries in which the parent corporation owns directly or indirectly one hundred percent (100%) interest;
- 3. "Household goods" means used personal effects and property of a dwelling;
- 4. "Household goods certificate" means a certificate of authority issued by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety to transport household goods within this state;
- 5. "Intercorporate hauling" means the transportation of household goods, by motor vehicle, for compensation, by a carrier which is a member of a corporate family, as defined in this section, when the transportation for compensation is provided for other members of the corporate family;
- 6. "Motor carrier of household goods" means a person transporting household goods for compensation or other consideration, with an origin and destination within this state;
- 7. "Motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, truck-tractor, trailer or semitrailer or any motor bus or self-propelled vehicle not operated or driven upon fixed rails or tracks;

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

- 9. "Public highway" means every public street, road, highway $_{\tau}$ or thoroughfare in this state, used by the public, whether actually dedicated to the public and accepted by the proper authorities or otherwise.
- D. The terms and provisions of this act shall apply to commerce with foreign nations, or commerce among the several states of this Union, insofar as such application may be permitted under the provisions of the Constitution of the United States and the Acts of Congress.
- 14 SECTION 23. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 162, is 15 amended to read as follows:
- Section 162. A. The Corporation Commission Department of
 Public Safety is authorized to:
 - 1. Supervise and regulate every motor carrier of household goods;
- 2. Protect the shipping and general public by requiring
 21 liability insurance and cargo insurance of all motor carriers of
 22 household goods;
- 3. Ensure motor carriers of household goods are complying with applicable size and weight laws and safety requirements;

- 4. Supervise and regulate such motor carriers in all other matters affecting the relationship between such carriers and the traveling and shipping public including, but not limited to, consumer protection measures and loss and damage claim procedures; and
 - 5. Enforce the provisions of this act.

- B. The Commission Department is authorized to promulgate rules applicable to persons transporting household goods.
- C. 1. The Commission Department is authorized to administer a hazardous material transportation registration and permitting program for motor carriers engaged in transporting hazardous material upon or over the public highways and within the borders of the state.
- 2. The Commission Department shall promulgate rules implementing the provisions of this subsection. Rules promulgated pursuant to this subsection shall be consistent with, and equivalent in scope, coverage, and content to requirements applicable to operators of vehicles transporting hazardous materials contained in the report submitted to the Secretary of the United States

 Department of Transportation, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5119(b), by the Alliance for Uniform Hazardous Material Transportation Procedures.
- D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to remove or affect the jurisdiction of the Department of Environmental Quality to implement hazardous waste transportation requirements for federal

hazardous waste program delegation to this state under the federal
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

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- E. The Commission Department is authorized to promulgate rules and set fees applicable to interstate motor carriers, pertaining to carrier registration, operation of equipment and filing of proper proof of liability insurance.
- 7 SECTION 24. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 162.1, is 8 amended to read as follows:
- Section 162.1. The Corporation Commission Department of Public 9 Safety is authorized to promulgate rules necessary to enable this 10 11 state to participate in the Unified Carrier Registration System for interstate motor carriers, brokers, forwarders and leasing companies 12 and interstate motor carriers holding intrastate authority as set 13 forth in the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation 14 15 Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), Subtitle C-Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005. 16
- 17 SECTION 25. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 163, is
 18 amended to read as follows:
- Section 163. A. No person shall transport household goods for compensation or other consideration in intrastate commerce without a valid certificate issued by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety.
 - B. The Commission Department shall promulgate rules ensuring consumer protection and loss and damage claim procedures.

C. Every motor carrier, subject to this act, receiving household goods for transportation in intrastate commerce shall issue a receipt or bill of lading therefor, the form of which shall be prescribed by the Commission Department.

- D. Record-keeping documents, as required by the Commission

 Department, shall be maintained by the motor carrier of household goods for a minimum of three (3) years. The Commission Department is authorized to require certain documents to be retained for a longer period of time pending a claim for any other reason the Commission Department deems necessary.
- E. Any person, motor carrier, or shipper who shall willfully violate any provision of this act or the Commission's Department's rules pursuant thereto may be found in violation by the Commission Department. After proper notice and hearing, violators may be assessed penalties in an amount not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the first violation and for the second violation within a year a penalty not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).
- SECTION 26. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 165, is amended to read as follows:

Section 165. A. Upon the filing of an application to operate as a motor carrier of household goods, the applicant shall pay to the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety a filing fee as set by Commission Department rule.

B. Upon the filing by an interstate motor carrier of an application to register interstate authority, or supplement thereto, the applicant shall pay the Commission Department a filing fee as established by the Commission Department and in full compliance with applicable federal laws.

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- The Commission Department shall, upon the receipt of any such fee, deposit the same in the State Treasury to the credit of the Corporation Commission Revolving Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund.
- SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 166, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 166. A. It is hereby declared unlawful for any person 11 12 to transport household goods in intrastate commerce without a valid 13 certificate issued by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety. 14
 - B. Motor carriers engaged in intercorporate hauling must obtain a certificate in the motor carrier's name.
 - Applicants for intrastate authority to transport household goods shall file an application as required by this act and as prescribed by the Commission Department. A household goods certificate shall be issued to the applicant upon completion of all requirements.
- The Commission Department may consider any written protests 22 or written complaints filed prior to granting or renewing a household goods certificate. If the Commission Department elects

- 1 | not to grant or renew a household goods certificate, the application
- 2 | shall be set for public hearing in accordance with Commission
- 3 | Department rules.
- 4 E. Household goods certificates may not be assigned or
- 5 transferred.
- 6 F. The Commission Department shall exercise any additional
- 7 | power that may from time to time be conferred upon the state by any
- 8 Act of Congress.
- 9 G. The Commission Department shall adopt rules prescribing the
- 10 manner and form in which motor carriers shall apply for a household
- 11 goods certificate.
- 12 SECTION 28. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 166.5, is
- 13 | amended to read as follows:
- 14 Section 166.5. If this act Section 161A et seq. of this title
- 15 or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 or any provision hereof is, or may
- 16 be deemed to be, in conflict or inconsistent with any of the
- 17 | provisions of Section 18 through Section 34, inclusive, of Article
- 18 | IX of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, then, to the extent
- 19 of any such conflicts or inconsistencies, it is hereby expressly
- 20 declared that this entire act and this section are amendments to and
- 21 alterations of the sections of the Constitution, as authorized by
- 22 | Section 35 of Article IX of said the Constitution.
- 23 | SECTION 29. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 166a, is
- 24 amended to read as follows:

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

 "Authorized carrier" means a motor carrier of household goods;

- 2. "Equipment" means a motor vehicle, straight truck, tractor, semitrailer, full trailer, any combination of these and any other type of equipment used by authorized carriers in the transportation of household goods;
- 3. "Owner" means a person to whom title to equipment has been issued, or who, without title, has the right to exclusive use of equipment for a period longer than thirty (30) days;
- 4. "Lease" means a contract or arrangement in which the owner grants the use of equipment, with or without driver, for a specified period to an authorized carrier for use in the regulated transportation of household goods in exchange for compensation;
- 5. "Lessor", in a lease, means the party granting the use of equipment with or without driver to another;
- 6. "Lessee", in a lease, means the party acquiring the use of equipment with or without driver from another;
- 7. "Addendum" means a supplement to an existing lease which is not effective until signed by the lessor and lessee; and
- 8. "Shipper" means a person who sends or receives household goods which are transported in intrastate commerce in this state.
- B. An authorized carrier may perform authorized transportation in equipment it does not own only under the following conditions:

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

- 2. The authorized carrier acquiring the use of equipment under this section shall identify the equipment in accordance with the Commission's Department of Public Safety's requirements; and
- 3. Upon termination of the lease, the authorized carrier shall remove all identification showing it as the operating carrier before giving up possession of the equipment.
- C. The written lease required pursuant to subsection B of this section shall contain the following provisions. The required lease provisions shall be adhered to and performed by the authorized carrier as follows:
- 1. The lease shall be made between the authorized carrier and the owner of the equipment. The lease shall be signed by these parties or by their authorized representatives;
- 2. The lease shall specify the time and date or the circumstances on which the lease begins and ends and include a description of the equipment which shall be identified by vehicle serial number, make, year, model and current license plate number;
- 3. The period for which the lease applies shall be for thirty (30) days or more when the equipment is to be operated for the authorized carrier by the owner or an employee of the owner;

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

- 5. The amount to be paid by the authorized carrier for equipment and driver's services shall be clearly stated on the face of the lease or in an addendum which is attached to the lease. The amount to be paid may be expressed as a percentage of gross revenue, a flat rate per mile, a variable rate depending on the direction traveled or the type of commodity transported, or by any other method of compensation mutually agreed upon by the parties to the lease. The compensation stated on the lease or in the attached addendum may apply to equipment and driver's services either separately or as a combined amount;
- 6. The lease shall clearly specify the responsibility of each party with respect to the cost of fuel, fuel taxes, empty mileage, permits of all types, tolls, detention and accessorial services, base plates and licenses, and any unused portions of such items. Except when the violation results from the acts or omissions of the lessor, the authorized carrier lessee shall assume the risks and costs of fines for overweight and oversize trailers when the trailers are preloaded, sealed, or the load is containerized, or when the trailer or lading is otherwise outside of the lessor's

control, and for improperly permitted over-dimension and overweight loads and shall reimburse the lessor for any fines paid by the lessor. If the authorized carrier is authorized to receive a refund or a credit for base plates purchased by the lessor from, and issued in the name of, the authorized carrier, or if the base plates are authorized to be sold by the authorized carrier to another lessor, the authorized carrier shall refund to the initial lessor on whose behalf the base plate was first obtained a prorated share of the amount received;

- 7. The lease shall specify that payment to the lessor shall be made by the authorized carrier within fifteen (15) days after submission of the necessary delivery documents and other paperwork concerning a trip in the service of the authorized carrier. The paperwork required before the lessor can receive payment is limited to those documents necessary for the authorized carrier to secure payment from the shipper. The authorized carrier may require the submission of additional documents by the lessor but not as a prerequisite to payment;
- 8. The lease shall clearly specify the right of those lessors whose revenue is based on a percentage of the gross revenue for a shipment to examine copies of the authorized carrier's freight bill before or at the time of settlement. The lease shall clearly specify the right of the lessor, regardless of method of compensation, to examine copies of the carrier's tariff;

- 9. The lease shall clearly specify all items that may be initially paid for by the authorized carrier, but ultimately deducted from the lessor's compensation at the time of payment or settlement together with a recitation as to how the amount of each item is to be computed. The lessor shall be afforded copies of those documents which are necessary to determine the validity of the charge;
- 10. The lease shall specify that the lessor is not required to purchase or rent any products, equipment, or services from the authorized carrier as a condition of entering into the lease arrangement;
 - 11. As it relates to insurance:

- a. the lease shall clearly specify the legal obligation of the authorized carrier to maintain insurance coverage for the protection of the public, and
- b. the lease shall clearly specify the conditions under which deductions for cargo or property damage may be made from the lessor's settlements. The lease shall further specify that the authorized carrier must provide the lessor with a written explanation and itemization of any deductions for cargo or property damage made from any compensation of money owed to the lessor. The written explanation and itemization must

be delivered to the lessor before any deductions are made; and

- 12. An original and two copies of each lease shall be signed by the parties. The authorized carrier shall keep the original and shall place a copy of the lease in the equipment during the period of the lease. The owner of the equipment shall keep the other copy of the lease.
- D. The provisions of this section shall apply to the leasing of equipment with which to perform household goods transportation by motor carriers.
- SECTION 30. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 169, is amended to read as follows:

Section 169. A. No certificate shall be issued by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety to any motor carrier of household goods until after such motor carrier shall have filed with the Commission Department a liability insurance policy or bond covering public liability and property damage, issued by some insurance or bonding company or insurance carrier authorized as set forth below, and which has complied with all of the requirements of the Commission Department, which bond or policy shall be approved by the Commission Department, and shall be in such sum and amount as fixed by a proper order of the Commission Department; and such liability and property damage insurance policy or bond shall bind the obligor thereunder to make compensation for injuries to, or

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death of, persons, and loss or damage to property, resulting from
the operation of any such motor carrier for which such carrier is
legally liable. After judgment against the carrier for any damage,
the injured party may maintain an action upon the policy or bond to
recover the same, and shall be a proper party to maintain such
action.

- B. Every motor carrier of household goods shall file with the Commission Department a cargo insurance policy or bond covering any goods or property being transported, issued by some insurance or bonding company or insurance carrier authorized as set forth below, and which has complied with all of the requirements of the Commission Department, which bond or policy shall be approved by the Commission Department, and shall be in a sum and amount as fixed by Commission Department rule. The cargo insurance must be filed with the Commission Department prior to a certificate being issued by the Commission Department.
- C. No carrier, whose principal place of business is in Oklahoma, shall conduct any operations in this state unless the operations are covered by a valid primary bond or insurance policy issued by an insurer authorized or approved by the Oklahoma

 Insurance Department. No carrier whose principal place of business is not in Oklahoma shall conduct any operations in this state unless the operations are covered by a valid bond or insurance policy issued by an insurer licensed or approved by the insurance

regulatory authority of the state of their principal place of business or the Oklahoma Insurance Department.

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- 3 D. Each motor carrier shall maintain on file, in full force, all insurance required by the laws of the State of Oklahoma and the 5 rules of the Commission Department during such motor carrier's operation and that the failure for any cause to maintain such 6 7 coverage in full force and effect shall immediately, without any notice from the Commission Department, suspend such carrier's rights 9 to operate until proper insurance is provided. Any carrier 10 suspended for failure to maintain proper insurance shall have a 11 reasonable time, not exceeding sixty (60) days, within which to 12 provide proper insurance and to have the carrier's authority 13 reactivated, upon showing:
 - 1. No operation during the period in which the carrier did not have insurance; and
 - 2. Furnishing of proper insurance coverage.
 - E. Any carrier who fails to reactivate the carrier's certificate within sixty (60) days after such suspension, as above provided, shall have the certificate canceled, by operation of law, without any notice from the Commission Department. No certificate so canceled shall be reinstated or otherwise made operative except that the Commission Department may reinstate the authority of a motor carrier upon proper showing that the motor carrier was actually covered by proper insurance during the suspension or

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cancellation period, and that failure to file with the Commission

Department was not due to the motor carrier's fault. Any carrier

desiring to file for reinstatement of the carrier's certificate
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shall do so within ninety (90) days of its cancellation by law.

- F. The Commission Department shall, in its discretion, permit the filing of certificates of insurance coverage on such form as may be prescribed by the Commission Department, in lieu of copies of insurance policies or bonds, with the proviso that if the certificates are authorized, the insurance company or carrier so filing it, upon request of the Commission Department, shall, at any time, furnish an authenticated copy of the policy which the certificate represents, and further provided that thirty (30) days prior to effective cancellation or termination of the policy of insurance for any cause, the insurer shall so notify the Commission Department in writing of the facts or as deemed necessary by the Commission Department.
- SECTION 31. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 169.5, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 169.5. If the carrier fails to process loss or damage claims as provided in Sections 169.2 through 169.4 of this title, or to express declinations of the claims in writing with proof of nonliability, the carrier may be found in contempt by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety after proper notice and hearing. Failure to pay any fine or otherwise resolve

- 1 | the complaint may result in a hearing by the Corporation Commission
- 2 Department of Public Safety to determine if the operating authority
- 3 of the carrier shall be revoked.
- 4 SECTION 32. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 170, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 Section 170. A. Nothing contained in this act Section 161 et
- 7 | seq. of this title shall be construed to authorize the operation of
- 8 any freight vehicle in excess of the gross weight, width, length or
- 9 height authorized by law.
- 10 B. Any person who willfully advertises to perform
- 11 | transportation services for which the person does not hold a proper
- 12 | certificate shall be in violation of this act and subject to the
- 13 | penalties prescribed for contempt of the Corporation Commission
- 14 Department of Public Safety.
- 15 C. Household goods certificates may be suspended or revoked for
- 16 any violation of state law or Commission Department rule.
- D. Certificates shall be considered personal to the holder
- 18 | thereof and shall be issued only to some definite legal entity
- 19 operating motor vehicles as a motor carrier of household goods, and
- 20 | shall not be subject to lease, nor shall the holder thereof sublet
- 21 or permit the exercise, by another, in anywise, of the rights or
- 22 privileges granted thereunder.
- 23 | SECTION 33. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 170.1, is
- 24 amended to read as follows:

Section 170.1. A. Upon any complaint in writing under oath being made by any person, or by the Commission Department of its own motion, setting forth any act or thing done or omitted to be done by any person in violation, or claimed violation, of any provision of law, or of any order or rule of the Commission Department, the Commission Department shall enter same upon its docket and shall immediately serve a copy thereof upon each defendant together with a notice directed to each defendant requiring that the matter complained of be answered, in writing, within ten (10) days of the date of service of such notice; provided that, the Commission Department may, in its discretion, require particular cases to be answered within a shorter time, and the Commission Department may, for good cause shown, extend the time in which an answer may be filed.

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

B. The Commission Department may, in all matters within its jurisdiction, issue subpoenas, subpoenas duces tecum, and all necessary process in proceedings pending before the Commission Department; may administer oaths, examine witnesses, compel the

production of records, books, papers, files, documents, contracts, correspondence, agreements, or accounts necessary for any investigation being conducted, and certify official acts.

- C. In case of failure on the part of any person to comply with any lawful order of the Commission, or of any Commissioner

 Department, or with any subpoena or subpoena duces tecum, or to testify concerning any matter on which he or she may be lawfully interrogated, the Commission Department may compel obedience by proceedings for contempt as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena, or of the refusal to testify.
- D. Witnesses who are summoned before the Commission Department shall be paid the same fees and mileage as are paid to witnesses in courts of record. Any party to a proceeding at whose instance a subpoena is issued and served shall pay the costs incident thereto and the fees for mileage of all his or her witnesses.
- E. In event any process shall be directed to any nonresident who is authorized to do business in this state, the process may be served upon the agent designated by the nonresident for the service of process, and service upon the agent shall be as sufficient and as effective as if served upon the nonresident.
- F. All process issued by the Commission Department shall extend to all parts of the state and any such process, together with the service of all notices issued by the Commission Department, as well as copies of complaints, rules, orders and regulations of the

Commission Department, may be served by any person authorized to serve process issued out of courts of record, or by certified mail.

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- G. After the conclusion of any hearing, the Commission Department shall, within sixty (60) days, make and file its findings and order, with its opinion. Its findings shall be in sufficient detail to enable any court in which any action of the Commission Department is involved to determine the controverted questions presented by the proceeding. A copy of such order, certified under the seal of the Commission Department, shall be served upon the person against whom it runs, or the attorney of the person, and notice thereof shall be given to the other parties to the proceedings or their attorneys. The order shall take effect and become operative within fifteen (15) days after the service thereof, unless otherwise provided. If an order cannot, in the judgment of the Commission Department, be complied with within fifteen (15) days, the Commission Department may grant and prescribe such additional time as in its judgment is reasonably necessary to comply with the order, and may, on application and for good cause shown, extend the time for compliance fixed in the order.
- H. In the event the Commission Department finds that the defendant is guilty upon any complaint filed and proceeding had and that the provisions of law, or the rules, regulations or orders of this Commission Department have been willfully and knowingly violated and the violator holds a permit or certificate or license

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issued by the Commission Department authorizing it to engage in the transportation of persons or property for hire, then such permit or certificate or license may also be revoked by the Commission

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- I. Where a complaint is instituted by any person other than the Commission Department of its own motion and in the event the Commission Department should find that the complaint was not in good faith, the complaining party shall be required to pay the defendant's attorney's attorney fee, the fee to be prescribed by the Commission Department in accordance with applicable Oklahoma Bar Association standards.
- J. Any person aggrieved by any findings and order of the Commission Department may appeal to the Supreme Court in the way and manner now or hereafter provided for appeals from the district court to the Supreme Court.
- SECTION 34. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 170.2, is amended to read as follows:

Section 170.2. A. The Department of Public Safety, monthly,
shall notify the Oklahoma Corporation Commission of any ticket
issued for a violation of the provisions of Section 14-119 of this
title, or any provisions of Chapter 14 of this title or the terms of
any special permit authorized pursuant to the provisions of Chapter

14 of this title concerning overweight or overweight special
permits.

B. Truck overweight violations by motor carriers or private carriers shall be considered contempt of Commission Department motor carrier rules, tariffs and regulations. The Commission Department shall establish a specific rule whereby such overweight violations by motor carriers or private carriers shall be grounds for issuance of a show-cause order for consideration of temporary or permanent cancellation of operating authority or license. In establishing the rule, consideration shall be given to the frequency of violations, pattern of violations, fleet size, type of operation, amount of overweight, and other such factors that may indicate intent. Any person, firm, or corporation that assists in the commission of such overweight violation or refuses to comply with any rule, regulation, or order of the Commission Department relating thereto shall be quilty of contempt of the Commission Department and shall be subject to a fine to be imposed by said Commission in a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) on as prescribed by Section 14-101 et seq. of this title for each violation. In the specific instance of an overweight violation, the transportation of each load shall constitute a separate violation. The same fine assessed against the motor carrier or private carrier shall apply to any other person, firm, or corporation that aids or abets such violations. Provided, however, no motor carrier, private carrier, shipper or person loading or causing a motor vehicle to be loaded shall be subject to

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a fine for contempt unless the gross weight of the motor vehicle is more than five thousand (5,000) pounds overweight.

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

SECTION 35. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 171.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 171.1. In addition to other uses authorized by law, funds provided to the Corporation Commission Weigh Station

Improvement Revolving Fund pursuant to Sections 165, 177.2 and 180h of this title shall be expended as follows:

Department of Public Safety may employ four special motor carrier enforcement Port of Entry commissioned and noncommissioned officers and one supervisor-officer who shall have the primary duty of investigating and assisting in the prosecution of persons engaged in unauthorized transportation or disposal of deleterious substances as contemplated under the provisions of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Act and any other applicable provisions of law. Port of Entry officers shall have authority and powers as authorized under the provisions of Section 172 of this title. Such employees shall be compensated as for similar service in the same or other departments of the state

and an expense allowance of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month for maintenance and cleaning of uniforms and other related expenses shall be paid to such employees. Nothing in this section regarding expense allowances shall be construed to mean that such employees shall receive any additional compensation beyond what is provided for maintenance and cleaning of uniforms and other related expenses by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety on the effective date of this act September 1, 1993.

- 2. The Commission Department shall purchase provide a sufficient number of motor vehicles to provide each motor carrier enforcement officer employed in the Transportation Division a motor vehicle suitable as necessary for Port of Entry officers to carry out the enforcement provisions of applicable law. Said The vehicles shall be appropriately marked as official vehicles and radio equipped. All costs for operation, maintenance and replacement of the motor vehicles authorized in this section shall be provided for from the Corporation Commission Weigh Station Improvement Revolving Fund. Effective January 1, 2023, all assets associated with the enforcement functions of the Corporation Commission shall be transferred to the Department of Public Safety, to include but not be limited to vehicles, computers, vests, weapons and cellular telephones.
- 3. The Commission shall Department may employ a hearing officer officers as necessary whose primary responsibility shall be the

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adjudication of enforcement proceedings and complaints brought
against persons engaged in unauthorized transportation or disposal
of deleterious substances or other unauthorized transportation in
violation of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Act or the rules and
regulations of motor carriers as promulgated by the Corporation

Commission Department of Public Safety.
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SECTION 36. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 172, is amended to read as follows:

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

B. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall report to the Attorney General of this state and the district

attorney of the proper county having jurisdiction of such offense, any violation of any of the provisions of Sections 161 161A through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 or any rule of the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety promulgated pursuant to the provisions of Sections 161 161A through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, by any motor vehicle owner, agent or employee of such owner, or any other person. Upon receipt of such report, the Attorney General or the district attorney of the proper county having jurisdiction of such offense shall institute criminal or civil proceedings against such offender in the proper court having jurisdiction of such offense. Any willful failure on the part of members of the Corporation Commission, the Attorney General or any district attorney, to comply with the provisions of this section, shall be deemed official misconduct. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall report such complaints so made to the Governor of this state who shall direct and cause the laws of this state to be enforced.

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C. Any person failing, neglecting or refusing to comply with the provisions of Sections 161 161A through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, or with any rule, regulation, or requirement of the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety promulgated pursuant to the provisions of Sections 161 161A through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, shall be guilty of contempt of the Corporation Commission Department of

Public Safety, and shall be subject to a fine to be imposed by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety in a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Each day on which such contempt occurs shall be deemed a separate and distinct offense. The maximum fine to be assessed on each day shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). All fines collected pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund, as created in Section 1167 of this title. This subsection shall not apply in the specific instance of load capacity violations or violations applicable to the transportation or discharge of deleterious substances provided for by specific statutory provisions.

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

E. Enforcement officers, appointed by the Corporation

Commission, are hereby declared to be peace officers of this state.

Such There shall be two types of Port of Entry officers appointed by the Department of Public Safety: commissioned officers and non-commissioned officers. All officers shall be vested with all powers of peace officers in enforcing the provisions of Sections 161 161A through 180m of this title, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 in all parts of this state.

The powers and duties conferred upon said enforcement the Port of Entry officers shall in no way limit the powers and duties of sheriffs or other peace officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, or of members of the Division of Highway Patrol, subject to the Department of Public Safety.

F. The enforcement officers when on duty, upon reasonable belief that any motor vehicle is being operated in violation of any provisions of Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, shall be authorized to require the driver of the vehicle to stop and submit to an inspection of the identification device, or devices, in the vehicle, and to submit to such enforcement officer bills of lading, waybills, or other evidences of the character of the commerce being transported in such vehicle, and to submit to an inspection of the contents of such vehicle for the purpose of comparing same with bills of lading or shipping documentation, waybills, or other evidences of

transportation carried by the driver of the vehicle. The officers shall not have the right to plea bargain.

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

H. The enforcement officers shall not have the power or right of search, nor shall they have the right of power of seizure, except as provided in Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995. The enforcement officers are authorized to hold and detain any motor vehicle operating upon the highways of this state, if, the enforcement officer has reason to believe that the vehicle is being operated contrary to the provisions of Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, or the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Corporation Commission promulgated pursuant to Sections 161 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

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2 | Regulations, or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.
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- J. Each of the enforcement officers shall, before entering upon the discharge of their duties, take and subscribe to the usual oath of office and shall execute to the State of Oklahoma a bond in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) each, with sufficient surety for the faithful performance of their duty. The bond shall be approved and filed as provided by law.
- K. F. No enforcement Port of Entry officer or employee of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall have the right to plea bargain in motor carrier or motor transportation matters except the chief legal counsel division of the Commission or an assign of the legal staff of the chief legal counsel Department.
- SECTION 37. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 177.2, is amended to read as follows:

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

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

- B. No carrier shall transport deleterious substances under a carrier license permit issued by the Commission Department until such time as the carrier has been issued a deleterious substance transport permit.
- C. No deleterious substance transport permit shall be issued to a motor carrier or private carrier until the carrier has furnished written proof of access to a Class II disposal well or wells. Said

 The written proof of access shall be provided by the owner of such disposal well. Such disposal well must first be approved by the Corporation Commission Department as adequate to meet the need for proper disposal of all substances which the applicant may reasonably be expected to transport as a motor carrier or private carrier. Provided that nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the disposition of such deleterious substances in a disposal well that is owned by a person other than the transporter.
- D. The Commission Department shall maintain a current list of such permits. The Commission Department shall charge such annual deleterious substance transport permitting fees as will cover the cost of issuing such licenses permit and an annual fee of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for each such deleterious substance transport license permit. Proceeds from the fees shall be deposited

by the Commission Department in the State Treasury to the credit of
the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety Revolving

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Fund. The provisions of this section are supplemental and are in addition to the laws applicable to motor carriers.

5 SECTION 38. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 177.3, is 6 amended to read as follows:

Section 177.3. A. It shall be unlawful for a motor carrier, whether private, common_T or contract, to dump, disperse_T or otherwise release substances described in Section 177.2 of this title upon a public highway or elsewhere except on property or in wells, reservoirs_T or other receptacles owned, held, leased_T or otherwise rightfully and legally available to the motor carrier for such use and purpose.

- B. It shall be unlawful for any motor truck or tank vehicle used to transport substances described in Section 177.2 of this title to have a release device located or operated in any manner from within the cab of such a motor vehicle.
- C. Any violation of the provisions of <u>subsections</u> <u>subsection</u> A or B of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor. It shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of the county in which a violation of the provisions of this section occurs to file and prosecute the aforementioned misdemeanor charge and advise the <u>Commission Department</u> of such action and the results thereof.

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            The Oklahoma Corporation Commission Department of Public
    Safety may initiate contempt proceedings for any violation
    concerning disposal by a carrier of a substance described in Section
    177.2 of this title. The first violation proven by the Commission
    Department in any calendar year shall result in a motor carrier or
    private carrier being warned by the Commission Department and, upon
    conviction, fined up to Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
    ($2,500.00). A second violation proven by the Commission Department
    in any calendar year shall result in a motor carrier or private
    carrier being placed on probation and fined up to Five Thousand
    Dollars ($5,000.00) by the Commission Department. A third violation
    proven by the Commission Department in any calendar year shall
    result in a fine of up to Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00), and,
    at the discretion of the Commission Department, cancellation of the
    carrier's license for a period up to one (1) year and cancellation
    of a motor carrier or private carrier deleterious substance
    transport permit. The driver of a truck, who is not the owner of
    the vehicle used in violation of this section or any of the rules
    and regulations of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission Department of
    Public Safety, shall be adjudicated a codefendant and subject to a
    fine equal to ten percent (10%) of the fine assessed to the owner of
    such vehicle, up to Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00).
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        SECTION 39.
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Section 180. The following words and phrases, when used in this act Section 180 et seq. of this title, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to like words and phrases by the motor carrier statutes of Oklahoma, except as herein provided:

- 1. The term "identification application" shall mean the application as provided by the Commission Department, for making application for motor carrier vehicle identification devices; and
- 2. The term "identification device" shall mean the motor carrier vehicle identification device issued by the Commission

 Department under the provisions of this act Section 180 et seq. of this title for the purpose of identifying powered motor carrier vehicles operated under and coming within the provisions of this act Section 180 et seq. of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.

 SECTION 40. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180a, is amended to read as follows:

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

SECTION 41. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180b, is amended to read as follows:

Section 180b. The identification device shall be the property of the Commission Department of Public Safety at all times, and shall be subject to seizure and confiscation by the Commission Department for any good cause and at the will of the Commission Department.

SECTION 42. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180c, is amended to read as follows:

Section 180c. The Commission Department of Public Safety may issue an order for the seizure and confiscation and return to the Commission Department of any identification device or devices, for any of the following reasons, and to direct said the order or orders to any officer of the State of Oklahoma this state charged with the duties of enforcing the provisions of this act Section 180 et seq. of this title and/or any other section of the motor carrier law now in force or hereinafter enacted:

- 1. In all cases where the motor carrier has permitted the insurance coverage, as required by law to be filed with the Commission Department, to lapse or become cancelled or for any reason to become void and fail to meet the requirements as provided by law;
- 2. For failure on the part of any motor carrier, his or its agents or employees to comply with any part or provision of this act, or any other act or law or part or provision thereof relative to the legal operation of a for-hire motor carrier or to obey,

observe or comply with any order, decision, rule or regulation,
direction, demand or requirement, or any part or provision thereof,
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- 3. Upon the cancellation or revocation of the certificate or permit or IRC or license under which said the identification device or devices were issued; or
- 4. For operating any powered motor vehicle in violation of the terms and provisions of this act Section 180 et seq. of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 and all applicable size and weight laws and safety standards of this state.
- 11 SECTION 43. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180d, is 12 amended to read as follows:
- Section 180d. The Commission Department of Public Safety shall
 have the power and authority by general order or otherwise to
 promulgate rules and regulations for the administration and
 enforcement of the provisions of this act Section 180 et seq. of
 this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.
- 18 SECTION 44. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180e, is 19 amended to read as follows:
- Section 180e. The Commission Department of Public Safety, in its discretion, is authorized to provide for decals, cab cards, or other suitable methods of identification to be displayed on or carried in the truck or powered motor vehicle.

SECTION 45. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180f, is amended to read as follows:

Section 180f. The Commission Department of Public Safety is hereby authorized to purchase said the identification devices in sufficient amounts to supply the demand, and to purchase such other officer supplies and equipment as is necessary to administer and enforce the provisions of this act Section 180 et seq. of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, and to pay for, or cause the same to be paid for, out of the appropriation provided therefor.

SECTION 46. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180g, is amended to read as follows:

Section 180g. It shall be the duty of the Commission Department of Public Safety to provide identification devices upon written application of any authorized motor carrier.

Upon written application of any authorized motor carrier holding a certificate or permit or license issued by the Commission

Department, the Commission Department shall issue to the motor carrier a sufficient number of identification devices so that each powered vehicle owned or to be operated by the motor carrier in the state shall bear one identification device. Identification devices shall be issued on an annual basis, and applications shall be made annually on the form prescribed by the Commission Department, and any motor carrier operating a powered vehicle without a current identification device shall be in violation of the provisions of

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- It is hereby declared unlawful for any motor carrier, or agents or employees of any motor carrier, to use or transfer an identification device except as provided by rules of the Commission Department.
- 7 SECTION 47. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180h, is 8 amended to read as follows:
 - Section 180h. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety is hereby authorized to collect from applicants for motor carrier and private carrier identification devices a fee of Seven Dollars (\$7.00) for registration of each of its vehicles registered under the provisions of this act Section 180 et seq. of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995; and the fee shall be in addition to any other fees now provided for by law for the registration of said the motor vehicles and shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund.
- 18 SECTION 48. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180k, is
 19 amended to read as follows:
- Section 180k. All records of the Corporation Commission

 Department of Public Safety under this act Section 180 et seq. of

 this title shall be maintained in, and classified as all other

 records in the Transportation Division of the Corporation Commission

 Department of Public Safety.

SECTION 49. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1801, is amended to read as follows:

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Section 1801. The Commission Department of Public Safety is hereby authorized and empowered, on behalf of the State of Oklahoma, and when it shall deem it to be in the best interest of the residents of this state so to do, to enter into reciprocal compacts and agreements with other states, or the authorized agencies thereof, when such states have made provisions substantially similar to this section, respecting the regulation of motor vehicles engaged in interstate or foreign commerce upon and over the public highways. And such compacts and agreements may provide for the granting, to the residents of such states, privileges substantially similar to those granted thereby to Oklahoma residents: Provided: (1) That no such compact or agreement shall supersede or suspend the operation of any law, rule or regulation of the State of Oklahoma this state which shall apply to vehicles operated intrastate in the State of Oklahoma this state; (2) That any privileges, the granting of which shall be provided by any such compact or agreement, shall extend only in cases of full compliance with the laws of the state joining in such compact or agreement; (3) That no such compact or agreement shall supersede or suspend the operation of any law of the State of Oklahoma this state other than those applying to the payment of fees for registration certificates or identification devices; and (4) That the powers and authority of the Oklahoma Tax Commission to

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administer and enforce the tax laws of this state, pertaining to the taxation of motor vehicles, shall be in no manner superseded or suspended.
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SECTION 50. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 180m, is amended to read as follows:

- Section 180m. In addition to all other duties as provided by law, it is hereby declared to be, and shall be the duty of all sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, district attorneys, enforcement Port of Entry commissioned officers appointed by the Corporation Commission of the State of Oklahoma Department of Public Safety, and all highway patrolmen within the State of Oklahoma this state:
- 1. To enforce the provisions of Sections 180 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995;
- 2. To apprehend and detain any motor vehicle or vehicles and driver or operator and their aides who are operating any motor vehicle, upon or along the highways of this state, for a reasonable length of time, for the purpose of investigating and determining whether such vehicle is being operated in violation of any of the provisions of Sections 180 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995;
- 3. To make arrests for the violation of the provisions of Sections 180 through 180m of this title or the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, without the necessity of procuring a warrant;

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

- 5. To aid and assist in the prosecution of the violator or violators in the name of the State of Oklahoma to the end that this law shall be enforced;
- 6. To report all such arrests for violations of Sections 180 through 180m of this title to the Corporation Commission of Oklahoma

 Department of Public Safety within ten (10) days after making such arrest and to furnish such information concerning same as the Commission Department may request; and
- 7. At the request of the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety, to seize and confiscate any and all identification devices and to forward the same to the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety for cancellation.
- SECTION 51. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.22, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 230.22. A. It is hereby declared that it is necessary in the public interest to regulate transportation by motor carriers and private carriers in such manner as to recognize the need to require all motor carriers and private carriers to have adequate insurance; for motor carriers and private carriers to provide service in a safe and efficient manner; and to establish that the

operations of motor carriers and private carriers will not have a detrimental impact on the environment.

- B. The public policy of this state, as declared by the Legislature, requires that all existing intrastate certificates and permits granted by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, except household goods and used emigrant movables, prior to January 1, 1995, are hereby revoked.
- C. The provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, except as hereinafter specifically limited, shall apply to the transportation of passengers or property by motor carriers and private carriers, except motor carriers of household goods and used emigrant movables, over public highways of this state; and the regulations of such transportation, and the procurement thereof and the provisions of facilities therefor, are hereby vested in the Oklahoma Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety.
- D. Nothing herein shall be construed to interfere with the exercise by agencies of the government of the United States of its power of regulation of interstate commerce.
- E. The terms and provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 shall apply to commerce with foreign nations, or commerce among the several states of this Union, insofar as such application may be permitted under the provisions of the Constitution of the United States and the Acts of Congress.

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

- "Person" means any individual, firm, copartnership, limited partnership, corporation, limited liability corporation, company, association τ or joint-stock association and includes any trustee, receiver, assignee, or personal representative thereof;
- 2. "Commission" "Department" means the Oklahoma Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety;
- 3. "License" means the license issued under authority of the laws of the State of Oklahoma this state to motor carriers and private carriers;
- 4. "Interstate Registration Certificate" (IRC) means a document issued by the Commission Department granting permission to operate upon the highways of the State of Oklahoma this state in interstate commerce exempt from federal motor carrier regulation;
- 5. "Motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, truck-tractor, trailer or semitrailer or any motor bus or any self-propelled vehicle not operated or driven upon fixed rails or tracks;
- "Motor carrier of persons or property" means any person, 6. except a carrier of household goods or used emigrant movables, operating upon any public highway for the transportation of passengers or property for compensation or for hire or for commercial purposes, and not operating exclusively within the limits

of an incorporated city or town within this state. Provided, the provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 shall not apply to the following vehicles and equipment when such vehicles and equipment are being used for the following:

- a. taxicabs and bus companies engaged in the

 transportation of passengers and their baggage, not

 operated between two or more cities and towns, when

 duly licensed by a municipal corporation in which they

 might be doing business,
- b. any person or governmental authority furnishing transportation for school children to and from public schools or to and from public-school-related extracurricular activities under contract with, and sponsored by, a public school board; provided, that motor vehicles and equipment operated for the purposes shall qualify in all respects for the transportation of school children under the Oklahoma School Code and the rules of the State Board of Education adopted pursuant thereto—,
- c. transport trucks transporting liquefied petroleum gases intrastate which are owned or operated by a person subject to and licensed by the Oklahoma Liquefied Petroleum Gas Regulation Act, and

- d. transportation of livestock and farm products in the raw state, when any of such commodities move from farm to market or from market to farm on a vehicle or on vehicles owned and operated by a bona fide farmer not engaged in motor vehicle transportation on a commercial scale;
- 7. "Corporate family" means a group of corporations consisting of a parent corporation and all subsidiaries in which the parent corporation owns directly or indirectly one hundred percent (100%) interest;

- 8. "Intercorporate hauling" means the transportation of property, by motor vehicle, for compensation, by a carrier which is a member of a corporate family, as defined in the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, when the transportation for compensation is provided for other members of the corporate family;
- 9. "Private carrier" means any person engaged in transportation upon public highways, of persons or property, or both, but not as a motor carrier, and includes any person who transports property by motor vehicle where such transportation is incidental to or in furtherance of any commercial enterprise of such person, other than transportation;
- 10. "Market" means the point at which livestock and farm products in the raw state were first delivered by the producer of

1 the livestock and farm products in the raw state, upon the sale 2 thereof;

- 11. "Public highway" means every public street, road or highway, or thoroughfare in this state, used by the public, whether actually dedicated to the public and accepted by the proper authorities or otherwise; and
 - 12. "Commercial enterprise" means all undertakings entered into for private gain or compensation, including all industrial pursuits, whether the undertakings involve the handling of or dealing in commodities for sale or otherwise.
- SECTION 53. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.24, is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 230.24. A. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with power and authority, and it shall be its duty:
 - 1. To supervise and regulate every motor carrier whether operating between fixed termini or over a regular route or otherwise and not operating exclusively within the limits of an incorporated city or town in this state and all private carriers operating vehicles having a gross registered weight of greater than 26,000 pounds and not operating exclusively within the limits of an incorporated city or town in this state;
 - 2. To protect the shipping and general public by supervising and requiring insurance of all motor carriers and private carriers;

- 3. To ensure motor carriers and private carriers are complying with the applicable size and weight laws of this state and safety requirements;
- 4. To establish there will be no detrimental environmental impact; and

- 5. To supervise and regulate motor carriers in all other matters affecting the relationship between such carriers and the traveling and shipping public provided those matters do not exceed federal standards as they apply to this state.
- B. The Commission Department shall have the power and authority by general order or otherwise to prescribe rules applicable to any or all motor carriers and private carriers as applicable.
- C. The Commission shall cooperate and coordinate with the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety in regulating carrier safety, size and weight regulations of motor vehicles and the transportation of hazardous materials. The Commission may enter into interagency agreements with the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of implementing, administering and enforcing any provisions of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act and the rules and regulations of the Department of Public Safety issued pursuant thereto. Any license issued by the Commission Department may be suspended or revoked due to operations conducted in violation of any laws or rules and regulations pertaining to motor carriers, private carriers, carrier safety, size and weight

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- 3 SECTION 54. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.25, is 4 amended to read as follows:
- Section 230.25. A. Every motor carrier, subject to the Motor

 Carrier Act of 1995, receiving property for transportation in

 intrastate commerce shall issue a receipt or bill of lading

 therefor, the form of which shall be prescribed by the Commission

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

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- SECTION 55. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.26, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 230.26. When the Commission Department of Public

 Safety, upon complaint, has reason to believe that any person, motor

 carrier, or shipper is violating or has willfully violated any

 provision of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, the Commission

 Department shall, upon its own initiative, file a contempt

 proceeding and set a date for the proceeding to be heard before the

 Commission Department, and upon conviction, the Commission

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Department shall invoke such contempt penalties as provided herein.

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SECTION 56. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.27, is amended to read as follows:
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Section 230.27. A. Upon the filing by an intrastate motor carrier or private carrier of an application for a license, the applicant shall pay to the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety a filing fee in the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) with an original or subapplication. Any valid license issued will remain in force, unless otherwise revoked by the Commission Department in accordance with the provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995, for one (1) year from date of issuance.

- B. Every motor carrier or private carrier wishing to continue operations under the original license, shall pay to the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety an annual renewal fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). An intrastate license may be renewed for up to three (3) years.
- C. The Commission Department shall, upon the receipt of any fee, deposit the same in the State Treasury to the credit of the Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund.
- 19 SECTION 57. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.28, is 20 amended to read as follows:

Section 230.28. A. It shall be unlawful for any motor carrier to operate or furnish service within this state without first having obtained from the Commission Department a license declaring that all insurance requirements have been met and that the carrier will

operate within all existing rules and state laws pertaining to safety standards, size and weight requirements and, when applicable, lawful handling and disposal of hazardous materials and deleterious substances, and will operate in such a manner as to ensure there will be no detrimental environmental impact. It shall also be unlawful for any private carrier to operate or furnish service within this state without first having obtained from the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety a license declaring that all insurance requirements have been met and that the carrier will operate within all existing rules and state laws pertaining to safety standards, size and weight requirements and, when applicable, lawful handling and disposal of hazardous materials and deleterious substances, and will operate in such a manner as to ensure there will be no detrimental environmental impact. The Commission Department shall have power, and it shall be its duty, to issue the license or set the application for hearing within thirty (30) days of the Commission Department determining that the application is complete. Any such hearing shall be scheduled to occur on a date within an additional forty-five (45) business days of such determination. The mere filing of an application does not authorize any person to operate as a carrier.

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B. In granting applications for licenses, the Commission

Department shall take into consideration the reliability of the applicant; the proper equipment meeting minimum safety criteria as

adequate to perform the service; and the applicant's sense of responsibility toward the public and the environment.

- The Commission Department may, at any time after a public hearing and for good cause, suspend or revoke any license. Provided, the record owner of the license shall be entitled to have ten (10) days' ten-days' written notice by certified mail from the Commission Department of any hearing affecting the license, except as otherwise provided in the Motor Carrier Act of 1995. The right of appeal from such order or orders shall be given as in other cases appealed from orders of the Commission Department.
 - D. The Commission Department shall be authorized to exercise any additional power that may from time to time be conferred upon the state by any Act of Congress. The Commission Department shall adopt rules prescribing the manner and form in which motor carriers and private carriers shall apply for licenses required by the Motor Carrier Act of 1995. Among other rules adopted, the application shall be in writing and shall set forth the following facts:
 - 1. The name and address of the applicant and the names and addresses of its officers, if any;
 - 2. Full information concerning the physical properties of the applicant; and
 - 3. Such other information as the Commission Department may consider pertinent to the application.

SECTION 58. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.29, is amended to read as follows:

Section 230.29. A. As used in this section:

- 1. "Authorized carrier" means a person or persons authorized to engage in the transportation of passengers or property as a licensed motor carrier;
- 2. "Equipment" means a motor vehicle, straight truck, tractor, semitrailer, full trailer, any combination of these and any other type of equipment used by authorized carriers in the transportation of passengers or property for hire;
- 3. "Owner" means a person to whom title to equipment has been issued, or who, without title, has the right to exclusive use of equipment for a period longer than thirty (30) days;
- 4. "Lease" means a contract or arrangement in which the owner grants the use of equipment, with or without driver, for a specified period to an authorized carrier for use in the regulated transportation of passengers or property, in exchange for compensation;
- 5. "Lessor", in a lease, means the party granting the use of equipment, with or without driver, to another;
- 6. "Lessee", in a lease, means the party acquiring the use of equipment, with or without driver, from another;
- 7. "Addendum" means a supplement to an existing lease which is not effective until signed by the lessor and lessee; and

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

- B. An authorized carrier may perform authorized transportation in equipment it does not own only under the following conditions:
- 1. There shall be a written lease granting the use of the equipment and meeting the requirements as set forth in subsection C of this section;
- 2. The authorized carrier acquiring the use of equipment under this section shall identify the equipment in accordance with the requirements of the Commission Department of Public Safety; and
- 3. Upon termination of the lease, the authorized carrier shall remove all identification showing it as the operating carrier before giving up possession of the equipment.
- C. The written lease required pursuant to subsection B of this section shall contain the following provisions. The required lease provisions shall be adhered to and performed by the authorized carrier as follows:
- 1. The lease shall be made between the authorized carrier and the owner of the equipment. The lease shall be signed by these parties or by their authorized representatives;
- 2. The lease shall specify the time and date or the circumstances on which the lease begins and ends and include a description of the equipment which shall be identified by vehicle serial number, make, year model and current license plate number;

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

- 4. The lease shall provide that the authorized carrier lessee shall have exclusive possession, control and use of the equipment for the duration of the lease. The lease shall further provide that the authorized carrier lessee shall assume complete responsibility for the operation of the equipment for the duration of the lease;
- 5. The amount to be paid by the authorized carrier for equipment and driver's services shall be clearly stated on the face of the lease or in an addendum which is attached to the lease;
- 6. The lease shall clearly specify the responsibility of each party with respect to the cost of fuel, fuel taxes, empty mileage, permits of all types, tolls, detention and accessorial services, base plates and licenses, and any unused portions of such items.

 Except when the violation results from the acts or omissions of the lessor, the authorized carrier lessee shall assume the risks and costs of fines for overweight and oversize trailers when the trailers are preloaded, sealed, or the load is containerized, or when the trailer or lading is otherwise outside of the lessor's control, and for improperly permitted overdimension and overweight loads and shall reimburse the lessor for any fines paid by the lessor. If the authorized carrier is authorized to receive a refund or a credit for base plates purchased by the lessor from, and issued

in the name of, the authorized carrier, or if the base plates are authorized to be sold by the authorized carrier to another lessor the authorized carrier shall refund to the initial lessor on whose behalf the base plate was first obtained a prorated share of the amount received;

- 7. The lease shall specify that payment to the lessor shall be made by the authorized carrier within fifteen (15) days after submission of the necessary delivery documents and other paperwork concerning a trip in the service of the authorized carrier. The paperwork required before the lessor can receive payment is limited to those documents necessary for the authorized carrier to secure payment from the shipper. The authorized carrier may require the submission of additional documents by the lessor but not as a prerequisite to payment;
- 8. The lease shall clearly specify the right of the lessor, regardless of method of compensation, to examine copies of the documentation of the carrier upon which charges are assessed;
- 9. The lease shall clearly specify all items that may be initially paid for by the authorized carrier, but ultimately deducted from the compensation of the lessor at the time of payment or settlement together with a recitation as to how the amount of each item is to be computed. The lessor shall be afforded copies of those documents which are necessary to determine the validity of the charge;

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

11. As it relates to insurance:

- a. the lease shall clearly specify the legal obligation of the authorized carrier to maintain insurance coverage for the protection of the public, and
- b. the lease shall clearly specify the conditions under which deductions for cargo or property damage may be made from the lessor's settlements. The lease shall further specify that the authorized carrier must provide the lessor with a written explanation and itemization of any deductions for cargo or property damage made from any compensation of money owed to the lessor. The written explanation and itemization must be delivered to the lessor before any deductions are made; and
- 12. An original and two copies of each lease shall be signed by the parties. The authorized carrier shall keep the original and shall place a copy of the lease in the equipment during the period of the lease. The owner of the equipment shall keep the other copy of the lease.

D. The provisions of this section shall apply to the leasing of equipment with which to perform transportation regulated by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety by motor carriers holding a license from the Commission Department to transport passengers or property.

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SECTION 59. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.30, is amended to read as follows:

Section 230.30. A. No license shall be issued by the Commission Department of Public Safety to any carrier until after the carrier shall have filed with the Commission Department a liability insurance policy or bond covering public liability and property damage, issued by some insurance or bonding company or insurance carrier authorized pursuant to this section and which has complied with all of the requirements of the Commission Department, which bond or policy shall be approved by the Commission Department, and shall be in a sum and amount as fixed by a proper order of the Commission Department; and the liability and property damage insurance policy or bond shall bind the obligor thereunder to make compensation for injuries to, or death of, persons, and loss or damage to property, resulting from the operation of any carrier for which the carrier is legally liable. A copy of the policy or bond shall be filed with the Commission Department, and, after judgment against the carrier for any damage, the injured party may maintain

an action upon the policy or bond to recover the same, and shall be a proper party to maintain such action.

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

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

No carrier, whose principal place of business is in Oklahoma, shall conduct any operations in this state unless the operations are covered by a valid primary bond or insurance policy issued by a provider authorized or approved by the State Insurance Commissioner. No carrier shall conduct any operations in this state unless the operations are covered by a valid bond or insurance policy issued by

a provider authorized and approved by a National Association of Insurance Commissioners and certified by the State Insurance Commission Commissioner.

- insurance required by the laws of this state and the rules of the Commission Department during the operation of the carrier and that the failure for any cause to maintain the coverage in full force and effect shall immediately, without any notice from the Commission Department, suspend the rights of the carrier to operate until proper insurance is provided. Any carrier suspended for failure to maintain proper insurance shall have a reasonable time, not exceeding sixty (60) days, to have its license reactivated, and to provide proper insurance upon showing:
- 1. No operation during the period in which it did not have insurance; and
 - 2. Furnishing of proper insurance coverage.
- D. Any carrier who fails to reactivate its license within sixty (60) days after the suspension, as above provided, shall have the license canceled, by operation of law, without any notice from the Commission Department. No license so canceled shall be reinstated or otherwise made operative except that the Commission Department may reinstate the license of a carrier upon proper showing that the carrier was actually covered by proper insurance during the suspension or cancellation period, and that failure to file with the

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1 | Commission Department was not due to the negligence of the carrier.
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- 2 Any carrier desiring to file for reinstatement of its license shall
- 3 do so within ninety (90) days of its cancellation by law.
- 4 E. The Commission Department shall, in its discretion, permit
- 5 | the filing of certificates of insurance coverage or such form as may
- 6 be prescribed by the Commission Department, in lieu of copies of
- 7 | insurance policies or bonds, with the proviso that if the
- 8 | certificates are authorized the insurance company or carrier so
- 9 filing it, upon request of the Commission Department, will, at any
- 10 time, furnish an authenticated copy of the policy which the
- 11 | certificate represents, and further provided that thirty (30) days
- 12 prior to effective cancellation or termination of the policy of
- 13 | insurance for any cause, the insurer shall so notify the Commission
- 14 Department in writing of the facts or as deemed necessary by the
- 15 | Commission Department.
- 16 SECTION 60. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.31, is
- 17 | amended to read as follows:
- 18 Section 230.31. A. Nothing contained in the Motor Carrier Act
- 19 of 1995 shall be construed to authorize the operation of any
- 20 passenger or freight vehicle in excess of the gross weight, width,
- 21 length or height authorized by law.
- B. Any person who willfully advertises to perform
- 23 transportation services for which the person does not hold a license
- 24 | shall be in violation of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995 and subject

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to the penalties prescribed for contempt of the Commission

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- C. All licenses issued by the Commission Department under any law of the state relating to motor carriers or private carriers shall contain the provision that the Commission Department reserves to itself authority to suspend or cancel any such license for the violation, on the part of the applicant or any operator or operators of any motor vehicle to be operated thereunder, of any law of this state or any rule adopted by the Commission Department.
- D. Licenses shall be considered personal to the holder of the license and shall be issued only to some definite legal entity operating motor vehicles as a motor carrier or private carrier, and shall not be subject to lease, nor shall the holder of the license sublet or permit the exercise, by another, of the rights or privileges granted under the license.
- SECTION 61. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.32, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 230.32. The Commission Department of Public Safety shall have the power and authority by general order or otherwise to promulgate rules and regulations for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of the Motor Carrier Act of 1995.
- 22 SECTION 62. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.34a, is amended to read as follows:

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

- B. The harvest permit shall be recognized in lieu of registration, fuel permit and intrastate operating authority in this state. The harvest permit shall be issued to the operating motor carrier.
- C. Each permit shall be valid for a period of thirty (30) or sixty (60) days. The permit shall identify the time and date of its issuance and shall additionally reflect its effective and expiration dates.
- D. The following information shall be required of an applicant for a harvest permit and shall apply to each vehicle to be operated under the permit:
 - 1. Owner of the vehicle;
- Vehicle registrant;

- 3. Make, model, year, license plate number, state of registration and VIN of each vehicle which will be operated under the permit; and
 - 4. The operating carrier must provide a certificate that each vehicle is operating under a liability insurance policy valid in

Oklahoma for Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) or more.

- E. There shall be a fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per axle for a thirty-day permit or Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00) per axle for a sixty-day permit, for each vehicle registered pursuant to the Motor Carrier Harvest Permit Act of 2006. Revenue derived from this fee shall be apportioned as follows:
- 1. One-half (1/2) of the revenue shall be deposited in the Weigh Station Improvement Revolving Fund as set forth in Section 1167 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and
- 2. The remaining amount shall be deposited in the One-Stop Trucking Fund as set forth in Section 1167 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- F. A harvest permit may be extended in fifteen-day increments. The permit holder shall be required to pay the additional prorated portion of the tag fee at Eight Dollars and seventy-five cents (\$8.75) per axle per fifteen-day extension.
- G. An application for a harvest permit shall be made to the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall allow applications to be submitted by facsimile and electronically or by mail. The Commission Department must provide reasonable access for persons to obtain a harvest permit before taking enforcement action.

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

- I. A harvest permit does not exempt its holder from federal or state safety regulations nor from the state's size and weight laws or rules.
- J. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety may enter into an agreement with any person or corporation located within or outside of the state for transmission of harvest permits by way of facsimile or other device electronically or by mail when the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety determines that such agreements are in the best interest of the state.
- K. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety may promulgate rules to administer the provisions of the Motor Carrier Harvest Permit Act of 2006.
- 20 SECTION 63. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.6, as
 21 last amended by Section 8, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2013 (47 O.S. Supp.
 22 2020, Section 230.6), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 230.6. A. No person prohibited from operating a commercial vehicle shall operate such commercial motor vehicle, nor

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

- B. No person shall operate, authorize to operate, or require the operation of any vehicle or the use of any container when the person has been placed out-of-service or the vehicle or container has been marked out-of-service until all requirements of the out-of-service order of the person have been met or all required corrections for the vehicle or container have been made; provided, upon approval of the Department of Public Safety, the vehicle or container may be moved to another location for the purpose of repair or correction.
- C. No person shall remove an out-of-service marking from a transport vehicle or container unless all required corrections have been made and the vehicle or container has been inspected and approved by an authorized officer, employee, or agent of the Department. No person shall return to duty unless all requirements of the out-of-service order have been met and the person has been approved to return to duty by an authorized officer, employee or agent of the Department.
- D. No employer shall knowingly allow, require, permit or authorize an employee to operate a commercial motor vehicle:
 - 1. During any period in which the employee:

a. has had driving privileges to operate a commercial

motor vehicle suspended, revoked, canceled, denied or

disqualified,

- b. has had driving privileges to operate a commercial motor vehicle disqualified,
- c. is not licensed to operate a commercial motor vehicle; provided, this subparagraph shall not apply to any person who is the holder of a valid commercial learner permit issued by the Department in conjunction with a Class D driver license,
- d. has more than one commercial driver license; provided, this subparagraph shall not apply to any person who is the holder of a valid commercial learner permit issued by the Department in conjunction with a Class A, B or C driver license,
- e. does not have the proper class or endorsements on the driver license or commercial learner permit, or
- f. is in violation of any restriction on the driver license or commercial learner permit;
- 2. During any period in which the employee, the commercial motor vehicle which the employee is operating, the motor carrier business or operation, or the employer is subject to an out-of-service order; or
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a. of a federal, state, or local law, regulation, or ordinance pertaining to railroad-highway grade crossings, or

- b. of any restriction on the driver license or commercial learner permit of the employee.
- E. An employer who is determined by the Commissioner of Public Safety to have committed a violation of subsection D of this section shall be subject to an administrative penalty of not less than Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,750.00) nor more than Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00).
- of Claim that a violation of any provision of this section shall be a conviction for purposes of paragraph 2 of subsection A and subsection G of Section 6-205.2 of this title, twenty-five (25) days after issuance, unless dismissed by order following an administrative hearing. The conviction shall be reported to CDLIS in accordance with Section 18-101 of this title.
- <u>G.</u> An employee who is determined by the Commissioner to have committed a violation of any provision of this section shall be subject to an administrative penalty of not less than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) nor more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).
- H. For any violation of a provision of this section identified during a Compliance Review/Investigation, the administrative penalty

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amount shall be in accordance with federal regulations and

determined by utilizing the Uniform Fine Assessment (UFA) software

and any successor software now or hereafter used by the Federal

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SECTION 64. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 230.9, as amended by Section 13, Chapter 283, O.S.L. 2012 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 230.9), is amended to read as follows:

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

- B. Pursuant to the provisions of this section and except as otherwise provided by subsection subsections D and E of this section, any person who is determined by the Commissioner of Public Safety to have committed:
- 1. An act which is a violation of a recordkeeping requirement of this title or of any rule or regulation promulgated thereto or the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act of 1984, such person shall be liable to the State of Oklahoma for an administrative penalty not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense; provided that the total of all administrative penalties assessed against any

violator pursuant to this paragraph for all offenses related to any single violation shall not exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00);

- 2. An act or acts other than recordkeeping requirements, which evidences a serious pattern of safety violations, as determined by the Commissioner, such person shall be liable to the State of Oklahoma for an administrative penalty not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense, provided, the maximum fine for each pattern of safety violations shall not exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). The Commissioner may consider present and prior offenses in determining a serious pattern of safety violations; or
- 3. An act or acts which evidences to the Commissioner, that a substantial health or safety violation exists or has occurred which could reasonably lead to or has resulted in serious personal injury or death, such person shall be liable to the State of Oklahoma for an administrative penalty not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each offense.
- C. Each day of violation as specified in subsection B of this section shall constitute a separate single violation/offense.
- D. Except for recordkeeping violations, no administrative penalty shall be assessed pursuant to the provisions of this section, against an employee of any person subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act for a violation unless the Commissioner

determines that such actions of the employee constituted gross
negligence or reckless disregard for safety in which case such
employee shall be liable for an administrative penalty not to exceed
One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

- E. For violations identified during a Compliance

 Review/Investigation, the administrative penalty amount shall be in accordance with federal regulations and determined by utilizing the Uniform Fine Assessment (UFA) software and any successor software now or hereafter used by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety

 Administration.
- <u>F.</u> In determining the amount of any administrative penalty and the reasonable amount of time for abatement of the violation, the Commissioner shall include, but not be limited to, consideration of the nature of the violation, circumstances and of the violation, extent of the violation, gravity of the violation, and with respect to the person found to have committed the violation, the degree of culpability, history of prior offenses, effect on ability to continue to do business and such other matters as justice and public safety may require. In each case, the penalty shall be calculated to induce further compliance.
- F. G. The Commissioner or his <u>or her</u> designated representative shall assess the amount of any administrative penalty, after notice and an opportunity for hearing, by written notice to the violator together with notice of findings in the case. An appeal therefrom

- may be made to the district court of Oklahoma County pursuant to the provisions of Sections 318 through 323 of Title 75 of the Oklahoma

 Statutes.
- 4 G. H. An administrative penalty assessed by the Commissioner may be recovered:

- 1. In an action brought by the Attorney General on behalf of the State of Oklahoma. However, before referral to the Attorney General, the administrative penalty may be compromised by the Commissioner;
- 2. By the Commissioner in the appropriate district court of the State of Oklahoma this state; or
- 3. By the Commissioner in an administrative hearing conducted by the Department of Public Safety.
 - I. The Department may deny issuance of documentation needed for operation of a commercial motor vehicle including but not limited to permits, certificates and contracts, when an entity or person has unpaid administrative penalties, fees or charges, until paid.
- J. The Department shall issue an order placing the operating
 authority of any intrastate carrier out-of-service on the sixtyfirst day after the date of a notice of proposed "unsatisfactory"
 safety rating issued by the Department following a Compliance Review
 or Investigation. The out-of-service order or suspension of
 operating authority shall remain in place until the Department
 determines that the carrier has remedied the safety issue as

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    of service if it does not allow the Department to conduct a
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    compliance review/investigation. The Department shall use the
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    methodology.
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        H. L. The first One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00) of
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    the administrative penalties collected each fiscal year pursuant to
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    Materials Transportation Act shall be deposited in the General
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    Revenue Fund of the State of Oklahoma. All other monies collected
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    in excess of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00) each fiscal
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    year shall be deposited to the credit of the Department of Public
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21 SECTION 65. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1120, as
22 amended by Section 2, Chapter 235, O.S.L. 2016 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020,
23 Section 1120), is amended to read as follows:

Safety Restricted Revolving Fund for the purpose of administering

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Transportation Act.

1 Section 1120. A. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety may, when in the interest of the State of Oklahoma this state and its residents, enter into the International Registration Plan or other compacts or agreements with other states to permit motor vehicle registration and license taxes on any truck, bus_{T} or truck-tractor on a proportional basis commensurate with the use of Oklahoma highways. Proportional registration under such plans may be permitted for vehicles engaged in interstate commerce or combined interstate and intrastate commerce. Any action taken by the Oklahoma Tax Corporation Commission with respect to the International Registration Plan or other such compacts or agreements prior to July 1, 2004 January 1, 2023, shall remain in effect unless altered by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety pursuant to its authority to do so after the effective date of this act July 1, 2004.

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The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall require that such proportional registration be based on the percentage of miles actually operated by such vehicles or fleets of vehicles in the State of Oklahoma this state in the reporting period in proportion to the total fleet miles operated both within and without Oklahoma. If the registrant did not incur mileage during the preceding reporting period, the registrant shall pay fees for its future operations in accordance with the International Registration Plan. Such percentage figure, so determined by the

Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety, shall be the Oklahoma mileage factor. In computing the taxes under the foregoing formula, the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall first compute the license fees for the entire fleet and then multiply the amount by the Oklahoma mileage factor on a dollar basis.

- C. Upon receipt of the Oklahoma license and registration tax, which shall be paid by cash and/or certified funds, as computed under the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act, the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall register all such fleet vehicles, and shall issue a license plate, cab card or decal for each of such vehicles identifying it as part of an interstate fleet. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety may, upon satisfactory review of the payment history of an applicant, waive the requirement for payment in cash or certified funds.
 - D. Vehicles so registered on a prorated basis shall be considered fully licensed in Oklahoma and shall be exempt from all further registration or license fees under the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act; provided that such fleet vehicles are proportionally licensed in some other state, territory or possession of the United States or some foreign province, state or country with which the Corporation Commission

<u>Department of Public Safety</u> has entered into a prorationing compact or agreement.

If a vehicle is permanently withdrawn from a proportionally registered fleet and a replacement vehicle is added to the fleet in the same calendar month, the replacement vehicle shall be considered fully registered as provided in Section 1133 of this title and Section 14-109 of this title, if the replacement vehicle is registered for a weight equal to or less than the vehicle permanently withdrawn, or if additional registration fees are paid when the replacement vehicle is registered for a weight greater than the vehicle withdrawn. If a vehicle is permanently withdrawn from a proportionally registered fleet and is not replaced by another vehicle in the same calendar month, credit shall be allowed as otherwise provided in this section.

- E. Vehicles subsequently added to a proportionally registered fleet after commencement of the registration year shall be proportionally registered by applying the mileage percentage used in the original application for such fleet for such registration period to the regular registration fees due with respect to such vehicle for the remainder of the registration year.
- F. If a vehicle is permanently withdrawn from a proportionally registered fleet because it has been destroyed, sold or otherwise completely removed from service, credit shall be allowed. Such credit shall be a sum equal to the amount paid with respect to such

vehicle when it was first proportionally registered in the registration year, reduced by those months elapsing since the beginning of the registration year. The credit may be applied against subsequent additions to the fleet, with the exception of vehicles removed from a renewal fleet and later added back to the same fleet, to be prorated or for other additional registration fees assessed. In no event shall credit be allowed for fees beyond such registration year, nor shall any such amount be subject to refund. Provided, further, that vehicles removed from a prorated fleet or sold to a nonprorated fleet for operation in Oklahoma shall be registered in Oklahoma for the remaining portion of the year.

- G. The records of total mileage operated in all states upon which the application is made for a period of three (3) years following the year upon which the application is based shall be preserved. Upon request of the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety, such records shall be made available for audit as to accuracy of computation and payments. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety may enter into agreements with agencies of other states administering motor vehicle registration laws for joint audits of any such records.
- H. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety may enter into compacts or agreements with other states or other countries or subdivisions of such countries allowing reciprocal

privileges to vehicles based in such other states and operating in interstate commerce if the vehicles are properly registered therein.

- I. Interchanged vehicles properly registered in another state may be granted reciprocal privileges when engaged in a continuous movement in interstate commerce, but must register in this state if used in intrastate commerce.
- J. In addition to those taxes or fees imposed by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act, the same or substantially the same type or category of tax or fee may be imposed upon an out-of-state resident as is imposed upon residents of Oklahoma for the same or substantially similar use of a vehicle in such other state in the amount, or approximate total amount, of any fee or tax, including property, motor fuel, excise, sales, use or mileage tax required by the laws of such other state to be paid by a resident of this state making the same or similar use of a like vehicle in such state.

The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall have the authority to promulgate rules which provide procedures for implementation of comparable regulatory fees and taxes for vehicles used in this state by residents of other states.

Any revenue derived from this subsection shall be apportioned in the same manner as provided in Section 1104 of this title.

It is the intention of the Legislature that the motor vehicle registration and licensing fees assessed against residents of other states operating similar vehicles in Oklahoma be comparably the same

as the motor vehicle registration and licensing fees assessed
against residents of Oklahoma operating a similar vehicle for a
similar purpose in such other state; and that the Corporation

Commission Department of Public Safety diligently monitor the motor
vehicle registration and licensing fees assessed against residents
of Oklahoma by other states and to provide for uniform treatment of
Oklahoma residents operating vehicles in other states and for
residents of other states operating vehicles in Oklahoma.

SECTION 66. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1120.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1120.1. A. The Corporation Commission Department of

Public Safety, when in the interest of the State of Oklahoma this

state and its residents, may enter into the International

Registration Plan or other compacts or agreements with other states
to permit motor vehicle registration and license taxes on any motor
vehicle to be used as a rental motor vehicle as defined in the
International Registration Plan.

- B. The Tax Commission or Corporation Commission the Department of Public Safety, as applicable, shall require that each rental motor vehicle be assessed the following registration fees in lieu of the fee schedule set forth in Section 1132 of this title:
- 1. A fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) shall be assessed for the first year of registration in this or any other state; and

2. A fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) shall be assessed in the first year and each subsequent year of registration in this or any other state.

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- C. Upon registration and payment of the fees required by this section, the owner shall receive a license plate which shall be valid until the vehicle is permanently withdrawn from the rental fleet of the owner.
- 8 SECTION 67. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1166, is 9 amended to read as follows:

10 Section 1166. A. Effective July 1, 2004 January 1, 2023, all 11 powers, duties and responsibilities exercised by the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Section shall be previously transferred from the 12 Oklahoma Tax Commission to the Corporation Commission shall be 13 transferred to the Department of Public Safety. Beginning July 1, 14 2004 2021, and effective July 1, 2005 January 1, 2023, all powers, 15 duties and responsibilities exercised by the International 16 17 Registration Plan Section and the International Fuel Tax Agreement Section shall be transferred from the Tax Commission to the 18 Corporation Commission to the Department of Public Safety. All 19 records, property and matters pending of the sections shall be 20 transferred to the Corporation Commission Department of Public 21 Safety. Funds sufficient to administer the powers, duties and 22 responsibilities exercised by these sections shall be appropriated 23 or allocated to the Corporation Commission Department of Public 24

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1 Safety for fiscal \frac{2005}{2000} years 2023 and 2024 as provided herein.
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- 2 | Such funds appropriated or allocated to the Corporation Commission
- 3 Department of Public Safety shall not be subject to budgetary
- 4 | limitations. The Director of State Finance the Office of Management
- 5 and Enterprise Services is hereby authorized to transfer such funds
- 6 as may be necessary to effect such allocations.
- The period of July 1, 2004 2021, through June 30, 2005 7 В. December 31, 2022, shall be a transitional period in which the 8 9 Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall gradually 10 assume complete administration and management over the powers, 11 duties, responsibilities and staff currently carrying out the 12 administration of the International Registration Plan Section 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 Corporation 16 Commission unless otherwise agreed to by the Tax Commission 17 Department of Public Safety and the Corporation Commission. 18 Effective July 1, 2005 January 1, 2023, the International 19 Registration Plan Section and the International Fuel Tax Agreement 20 Section shall be administered solely by the Corporation Commission 21 Department of Public Safety. For the period of July 1, 2004 2021, 22 through June 30, 2005 December 31, 2022, the Corporation Commission 23

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and the Tax Commission shall enter into a contract whereby funds

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shall be paid to the Tax Commission by the Corporation Commission in

exchange for the Tax Commission's agreement to continue to operate

Department of Public Safety shall develop and implement a reasonable

and expeditious method for expenditure of funds in support of the

International Registration Plan Section and the International Fuel

Tax Agreement Section.

- C. The powers, duties and responsibilities exercised by the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Section of the Tax Commission previously transferred to the Corporation Commission shall be fully transferred to the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety on July 1, 2004 January 1, 2023.
- D. All employees of the Tax Corporation Commission whose duties are transferred under this act shall be transferred to the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety at the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Safety. Personnel transferred pursuant to the provisions of this section shall not be required to accept a lesser salary than presently received; provided, the provisions of this section shall not operate to prohibit the Corporation Commission or the Tax Commission Department of Public Safety from imposing furloughs or reductions-in-force with respect to such personnel as allowed by law. Personnel transferred shall be placed within the classification level in which they meet qualifications without an entrance exam. All such persons shall retain seniority, leave, sick and annual time earned and any

retirement benefits which have accrued during their tenure with the Tax Corporation Commission. The transfer of personnel among the agencies shall be coordinated with the Office of Personnel Management and Enterprise Services.

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Effective July 1, 2004 January 1, 2023, any administrative 5 rules promulgated by the Tax Corporation Commission related to the 6 administration of the International Registration Plan authorized by 7 Section 1120 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the International 9 Fuel Tax Agreement authorized by Section 607 of Title 68 of the 10 Oklahoma Statutes, or the enforcement of Section 1115.1 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be transferred to and become a part 11 of the administrative rules of the Corporation Commission Department 12 13 of Public Safety. The Office of Administrative Rules in the Secretary of State's office shall provide adequate notice in the 14 Oklahoma Register of the transfer of rules, and shall place the 15 transferred rules under the Administrative Code section of the 16 Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety. From and after 17 July 1, 2004 January 1, 2023, any amendment, repeal or addition to 18 the transferred rules shall be under the jurisdiction of the 19 Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety. All documents 20 issued by the sections transferred to the Corporation Commission, 21 Department of Public Safety including, but not limited to, vehicle 22 registrations and permits, shall be deemed to have been issued by 23 the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety. 24

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F. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety may
promulgate rules necessary for the utilization of motor license
agents in the registration of vehicles pursuant to Section 1120 of
Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
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- G. For the period of July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022, the Corporation Commission and the Department of Public Safety shall cooperate to develop and implement a reasonable and expeditious method to transfer powers and duties from the Corporation Commission to the Department of Public Safety including but not limited to the expenditure of funds in support of the International Registration Plan Section and the International Fuel Tax Agreement Section.

 After July 1, 2021, the Corporation Commission shall not increase the number of personnel or the salary of personnel transferred pursuant to the provisions of this section unless otherwise agreed upon by the Department of Public Safety.
- SECTION 68. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1167, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 373, O.S.L. 2016 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1167), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 1167. A. The Corporation Commission Department of

 Public Safety is hereby authorized to promulgate rules pursuant to

 the Administrative Procedures Act to establish the amounts of fees,

 fines and penalties as set forth in Section 1166 et seq. of this

 title. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall

 notify all interested parties of any proposed rules to be

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promulgated as provided herein and shall provide such parties an opportunity to be heard prior to promulgation.

- B. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall adjudicate enforcement actions initiated by Corporation Commission

 Department of Public Safety personnel.
- C. Revenue derived from all fines and penalties collected or received by the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety pursuant to the provisions of the Trucking One-Stop Shop Act shall be apportioned as follows:
- 1. For <u>for</u> the period beginning August 23, 2013, the first

 Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) collected or received

 each fiscal year shall be remitted to the Department of Public

 Safety for the purpose of staffing the port of entry weigh stations

 to conduct safety inspections. The next Five Hundred Fifty Thousand

 Dollars (\$550,000.00) shall be remitted to the Oklahoma Tax

 Commission and apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this

 title; and.
- 2. The remaining amount shall be deposited to the Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund created in subsection D of this section.
- D. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety to be known and designated as the "Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund". The Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund shall consist of:

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

- 2. Fees collected by the Commission Department of Public Safety to be retained as a motor license agent or other Corporation

 Commission Department of Public Safety registration or motor fuel fees as allowed by statute or rule; and
- 3. Any other monies to be utilized for the Trucking One-Stop Shop Act.

The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall not be subject to legislative appropriation.

Monies in the Trucking One-Stop Shop Fund shall only be expended for direct expenses relating to the Trucking One-Stop Shop Act.

Expenditures from the revolving fund shall be made pursuant to the laws of this state. In addition, expenditures from the revolving fund may be made pursuant to The Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act for the purpose of immediately responding to emergency situations, within the Commission's jurisdiction, having potentially critical environmental or public safety impact. Warrants for expenditures from the fund shall be drawn by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

E. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Department of Transportation to be designated the "Weigh Station Improvement Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a

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    continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall
    consist of all monies deposited thereto. All monies accruing to the
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    credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and
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    equipping and maintaining facilities to determine the weight of
    vehicles traveling on the roads and highways of this state.
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    Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the
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    Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for
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        SECTION 69.
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    2020, Section 1168), is amended to read as follows:
        Section 1168. All facilities and equipment under the
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    administrative control of the Oklahoma Tax Commission and used for
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    determining the weight of vehicles operated on the roads or highways
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    of this state are hereby transferred to the Department of
    Transportation. Any funds appropriated to or any powers, duties and
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    shall be transferred to the Department of Transportation.
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    Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services is
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    hereby authorized to transfer such funds as may be necessary. The
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    Department of Transportation is hereby authorized to enter into an
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- 2 | this section shall not be construed to obligate the Department of
- 3 | Transportation to incur expenses in connection with the
- 4 | administration of such facilities and equipment in an amount which
- 5 exceeds deposits to the Weigh Station Improvement Revolving Fund.
- 6 | SECTION 70. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1169, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 Section 1169. A. The Corporation Commission Department of
- 9 Public Safety is authorized to revoke, suspend or deny the issuance,
- 10 extension or reinstatement of any Corporation Commission Department
- 11 of Public Safety issued motor carrier or commercial motor vehicle
- 12 license, permit, registration, certificate or duplicate copy thereof
- 13 issued pursuant to the jurisdiction of the Corporation Commission
- 14 Department of Public Safety, to any person who shall be guilty of:
- 1. Violation of any of the provisions of applicable state law;
- 2. Violation of rules promulgated by the Corporation Commission
- 17 | Department of Public Safety;

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- 3. Failure to observe or fulfill the conditions upon which the
- 19 license, permit, registration or certificate was issued;
- 20 4. Nonpayment of any delinquent tax, fee or penalty to the
- 21 | Commission Department or the State of Oklahoma; or
- 22 5. Nonpayment of a uniform base state program delinquent tax,
- 23 | fee or penalty to a state or province participating with the
- 24 | Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety in that program.

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

- C. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall promulgate rules setting forth the revocation, suspension or denial of a motor carrier or commercial motor vehicle certificate, registration, license or permit issued pursuant to the jurisdiction of the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety. The Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety shall additionally promulgate rules allowing for the collection and remittance of financial liabilities owed by a motor carrier, registrant, licensee or permittee to a state or province participating with the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety in a uniform base state program or to another state agency.
- D. Upon the revocation or expiration of any motor carrier or commercial motor vehicle license, permit, registration or certificate issued pursuant to the jurisdiction of the Corporation Commission Department of Public Safety, all accrued taxes, fees and penalties due and payable under the terms of state law, rules or order imposing or levying such tax, fee or penalty shall become due and payable concurrently upon the revocation or expiration of the

license, permit, registration or certificate and the licensee,

permittee, registrant or certificate holder shall forthwith make a

report covering the period of time not covered by preceding reports

filed by said the person and ending with the date of the revocation

or expiration and shall pay all such taxes, fees or penalties owed.

- E. No person shall knowingly, or intentionally, present an altered or fraudulent credential or document to the Corporation

 Commission Department of Public Safety or to any duly authorized peace officer. Any person or persons violating the provisions of this subsection shall be found guilty of contempt of the Commission Department and shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense.

 SECTION 71. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 262, O.S.L.
- 14 2012 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1201), is amended to read as
 15 follows:
- Section 1201. As used in the Oklahoma Weigh Station Act of 2012:
 - 1. "Authority" means the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority;
 - 2. <u>"Commission" "Department"</u> means the Corporation Commission
 Department of Public Safety;
 - 3. "Fixed facility" means a weigh station or a port of entry;
 - 4. "Port of entry" means a facility, in close proximity to a state line, designed to electronically weigh and screen motor carriers and commercial motor vehicles for compliance with federal

1 and state statutes and rules, allowing compliant carriers to proceed 2 with minimal or no delay;

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- 5. "Roadside enforcement" means a temporary location, with or without portable or semi-portable scales, used to randomly check commercial motor vehicles or motor carriers for compliance with federal or state statutes or rules;
- 6. "Weigh station" means a stationary and permanent weighing facility with fixed scales owned by the state where commercial motor vehicles are checked for compliance with weight and size standards. Weigh stations are also utilized to enforce federal and state laws and rules applicable to motor carriers and the operation of commercial motor vehicles and their drivers; and
- 7. "North American Standard Inspection" means a Level I, Level II, Level III, Hazardous Materials, Cargo Tank or Passenger Carrier inspection conducted by an individual certified by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to conduct such inspections.
- SECTION 72. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 262, O.S.L.
- 18 | 2012, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 373, O.S.L. 2016 (47
- 19 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1202), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 1202. A. The Department of Transportation, the
- 21 Oklahoma Turnpike Authority and the Corporation Commission
- 22 Department of Public Safety may enter into interagency agreements
- 23 | concerning the equipment, maintenance and operations of fixed
- 24 facilities. From July 1, 2021, to January 1, 2023, the Department

of Transportation and the Corporation Commission may enter into
interagency agreements concerning the equipment, maintenance and
operations of fixed facilities.

- B. The Department of Transportation, the Authority and the Commission Department shall endeavor to electronically upgrade weigh stations as practical to minimize the duplication of inspections for compliant commercial motor vehicles and motor carriers.
- C. The Commission Effective January 1, 2023, all powers, duties

 and responsibilities exercised by the International Registration

 Plan Section, the International Fuel Tax Agreement, the Unified

 Carrier Registration program, and the administration of trip

 permits, temporary fuel permits and harvest permits shall be

 transferred from the Corporation Commission to the Department of

 Public Safety.
 - D. Beginning January 1, 2023, the Department shall operate all current and future ports of entry weigh stations eighteen (18) to twenty (20) hours a day and seven (7) days a week upon the availability of funds.
 - D. The Commission shall continue to conduct roadside enforcement in the general area where a fixed facility is planned but no fixed facility currently exists until a fixed facility is located in the general area or July 1, 2016, whichever is earlier.
 - E. When a fixed facility is located in the general area,

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    shall be limited to the fixed facility and a radius surrounding the
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    Section 1201 of this title, the applicable radius shall be seven (7)
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        F. The Commission may assist in roadside enforcement in a joint
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        G. The Commission is authorized to conduct audits, reviews,
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    of the Commission's jurisdiction and are not conducted as roadside
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2012 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1203), is amended to read as

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Section 1203. A. A commercial motor vehicle, its driver or a motor carrier may not be cited for the same violation of motor carrier or commercial motor vehicle requirements on the same date by any Oklahoma officer, provided neither the vehicle configuration nor the load have changed. This subsection is not applicable to a Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance out-of-service violation.
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- B. The Corporation Commission and the Department of Public Safety or other state or local agencies may enter into interagency agreements to share information electronically to facilitate this section.
- 11 SECTION 74. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2011, Section 306, as
 12 amended by Section 571, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (69 O.S. Supp.
 13 2020, Section 306), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 306. Immediately upon the election and qualification of the Director, he <u>or she</u> shall become vested with the duties and powers of the management and control of the Department, under such orders, rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Commission; and in addition thereto he <u>or she</u> shall have the following specific powers and duties:
 - $\frac{\text{(a)}}{1.}$ To supervise the state highway system under rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission;
 - $\frac{\text{(b)}}{2.}$ To appoint and employ, supervise and discharge such professional, clerical, skilled and semiskilled help, labor and other employees as may be deemed necessary for the proper discharge

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of the duties of the Department and to fix and determine the
salaries or wages to be paid subject to all such rules and
regulations as may be promulgated by the Commission, and subject to
the policies, rules and regulations of the Office of Management and
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- $\frac{\text{(c)}}{3.}$ To investigate and determine upon the various methods of road and bridge construction and maintenance in the different sections of the state;
- $\frac{\text{(d)}}{4}$ To aid at all times in promoting highway improvements and maintenance throughout the state;
- (e) 5. To make recommendations to the Commission in the letting of all contracts for construction or improvements of state highways or any contract for road or bridge construction or improvement where the work is being done in whole or in part with state or federal monies; and to act for the Commission in the purchase of all materials, equipment and supplies as provided for in this Code;
- (f) 6. To place on the state highway system any road he or she deems necessary and to the best interest of the state, when approved by a majority of the entire Commission, and to eliminate from the state highway system any road when approved by a majority of the entire Commission;
- (g) 7. To approve and pay claims for the services of professional, clerical, skilled and semiskilled help, laborers and

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other employees, for the Commission, when the salary or wages of

such help and employees shall have been previously approved by the

Commission; and to approve and pay progressive estimates on work

done or contracts performed, where such work or contracts have

theretofore been approved by the Commission; and to approve and pay

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- 8 (h) 8. To make emergency purchases of equipment, materials, and supplies, and emergency contracts for construction and repairs,
- 11 (i) 9. To grant permission to state agencies, municipalities
 12 and water companies or districts to lay any water pipeline within

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- 15 (j) 10. To act for the Department in all matters except as
 16 otherwise provided in this Code; and
 - 11. Subject to the Merit System laws, the Director is hereby
 authorized to employ a supervisor of permit clerks, headquarters

 permit clerks and additional permit clerks, who shall have the duty
 to issue oversize and overweight permits in accordance with the

 provisions of Chapter 14 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes and to
 collect the fees therefor and to remit the same to the Oklahoma Tax

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    and 172.1, are hereby repealed.
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        SECTION 76. This act shall become effective July 1, 2021.
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        SECTION 77. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
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