BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: HB 1788
Version: Introduced
Request Number: 6618
Author: Rep. Pae
Date: 2/4/2021
Impact: OTA budget neutral

Research Analysis

HB 1788, as introduced, establishes a definition for *video toll collection system account* and requires an owner's vehicle to be registered with the Oklahoma Tax Commission or similar registering agency that permits access to registration information with the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority.

The measure requires an owner or operator of a vehicle to pay a charge to the Department of Public Safety or other law enforcement agency for the owner's failure to timely pay an invoice for charges submitted by the Turnpike Authority through its video toll system. Invoices may be sent by other methods, not restricted to certified mail. The bill also prohibits a person to operate a vehicle on a turnpike if the registered owner is liable for outstanding toll violations.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1788, as introduced, makes changes to the collection of outstanding toll evasion violations. The measure makes it unlawful to operate a vehicle on an Oklahoma turnpike if the registered owner has any outstanding toll evasion violations. It further allows law enforcement to charge violators.

The measure allows vehicles to register directly with the Turnpike Authority if the entity that the vehicle is registered with does not have a reciprocal registration information exchange with the Authority to facilitate compliance with toll collection.

Officials with the Authority indicate that the measure is budget neutral.

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Other Considerations

None.