BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: SB512 Version: Engrossed

Request Number:

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Impact: OTA budget neutral

Research Analysis

Engrossed SB512 requires a vehicle to be registered with the Department of Public Safety (or similar registering agency that permits access to registration information by request or agreement) in order for the Turnpike Authority to carry out its functions. A vehicle owner may comply with toll collection regulations by other means if a registering agency does not permit access by the Authority. The measure provides that an owner or operator of a vehicle is subject to penalty for failure to pay an invoice for tolls or charges submitted by the Turnpike Authority through its video toll collection system.

The bill further prohibits a person from operating a vehicle on a turnpike if the registered owner is liable for any outstanding toll violation.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 512 in its current form 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.

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