

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1261
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HB 1261 creates the Wrecker Services Division within the Department of Labor and transfers all duties of the Transportation Division of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission and the Department of Public Safety relating to wrecker and towing services to the Wrecker Services Division. The measure creates the 9-member Oklahoma Wrecker and Towing Services Board which is directed to establish licensure and safety requirements for the towing industry, investigate complaints from consumers, and investigate complaints related to overcharging for nonconsensual towing, storage fees and violations of rules. The measure requires the Department of Public Safety to maintain rotation logs and inspection duties of wrecker towing facilities and equipment. The Department of Labor is to classify wrecker and towing services by the type of services and equipment they are capable of providing for nonconsensual tows and accident remediation. The measure removes towing rate schedules from statute. Wrecker companies are to provide detailed comprehensive lists for all prices for the services it provides. No other rates will be allowed apart from the prices provided to the Department of Labor. Wrecker or towing service companies shall post at their place of business a list of all prices for the standard services it performs or may perform. The measure provide procedure for complaints and for appeals. The existing Corporation Commission towing rates are to remain in effect for 12 months following the effective date of the act.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.