

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB2603</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>INT</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>10049</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Rep. Lowe, Dick</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>2/24/2025</b>
<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Minimum \$20,000,000.00 Decrease</b>
	<b>Est. FY-2026 Total - \$2,720,371</b>
	<b>Est. FY-2027 Total - \$1,885,132</b>
	<b>Est. FY-2028 Total - \$1,052,103</b>
	<b>Est. Additional Costs - \$6,565,601</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB 2603 transfers the powers, duties, and personnel responsible for motor carrier enforcement as well as operations of weigh stations and ports of entry from the Oklahoma Corporation Commission to the Department of Public Safety and requires the transition to be completed by June 30, 2026. The measure creates an eight member transitional task force to help facilitate the transfer. The Corporation Commission is authorized to retain noncommissioned employees to serve as civilian enforcement auditors and inspectors. The Department of Public Safety and the Corporation Commission are allowed to enter into interagency agreements to implement the transfer.

Additionally, the measure clarifies that it is unlawful for a person or employee to operate a motor vehicle if the motor carrier, vehicle, or commercial operator is not in compliance with the rules as set forth in statute and updates statutory references to motor carrier enforcement officers.

Lastly, the measure repeals Title 47 Sections [116.13](#), which relates to enforcement officers and [172.1](#), which relates to qualifications of enforcement officers.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

Section 3 amends [47 O.S. §14-116](#), such that all funds collected are placed in the Weight Station Improvement Revolving Fund, except as provided in 47 O.S. §14-122.

This measure also amends [47 O.S. §14-122](#) such that the first Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) are now apportioned to the Department of Public Safety (DPS), instead of the General Revenue Fund. This would create a revenue decrease to the state budget of \$20,000,000.00.

The Department of Public Safety believes the changes listed above would be enough to help cover the cost to the agency.

In addition to the loss of revenue into the General Revenue Fund, the Oklahoma Corporation Commission (Corp. Comm.) has some additional cost it believes it will bear.

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>
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FY-2026	\$464,519	Training of existing officers, if Corp. Comm. is responsible for cost
FY-2026	\$1,186,173	Est. loss of revenue while officers are in training
FY-2026	\$179,178	Additional staff that may be needed to help offset the task force representative's work
FY-2026	\$40,501	Est. cost of process for new rulemaking
FY-2026	\$850,000	47 O.S. §1167(C) still requires that Corp. Comm. to remit some of the fines and fees to DPS and the Oklahoma Tax Commission, but the source of revenue would be moved away from Corp. Comm.
FY-2026	\$2,720,371	Total
FY-2027	\$157,367	Training of existing officers, if Corp. Comm. is responsible for cost
FY-2027	\$593,086	Est. loss of revenue while officers are in training
FY-2027	\$179,178	Additional staff that may be needed to help offset the task force representative's work
FY-2027	\$40,501	Est. cost of process for new rulemaking
FY-2027	\$850,000	47 O.S. §1167(C) still requires that Corp. Comm. to remit some of the fines and fees to DPS and the Oklahoma Tax Commission, but the source of revenue would be moved away from Corp. Comm.
FY-2027	\$65,000	Transfer of vehicles from Corp. Comm. to DPS (\$1k per vehicle)
FY-2027	\$1,885,132	Total
FY-2028	\$850,000	47 O.S. §1167(C) still requires that Corp. Comm. to remit some of the fines and fees to DPS and the Oklahoma Tax Commission, but the source of revenue would be moved away from Corp. Comm.
FY-2028	\$202,103	Facility operations will revert from Corp. Comm. to DPS
FY-2028	\$1,052,103	Total
Additional Costs Est.	\$6,565,601	Corp. Comm. currently uses several IT systems to help process data for this division that it will need to retain for other divisions. DPS may need investment in something similar.

Some of these costs are still to be determined based on the movement of the divisions and discussions between the agencies. These costs would be in addition to the \$20 million dollar hit to the general revenue fund.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

