**TITLE 595. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**CHAPTER 25. WRECKERS AND TOWING SERVICES**

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT**

[75 O.S. § 303(D)(2)]

**1. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULE:**

The proposed rules clarify definitions. The proposed rules clarify various procedures under the rules. Archaic language and quotations of statutes are removed from the rules. Additional requirements for the release of vehicles are included in the proposed rules. The rules clarify the agency will take adverse action against the license of a licensed wrecker service for violations of any applicable Oklahoma law. Previously, the rule was limited to those actions in contravention of Title 47.

**2. DESCRIPTION OF THE CLASSES OF PERSONS AFFECTED:**

The persons most likely affected by the proposed rule are licensed wrecker services owners and operators.

**3. CLASSES OF PERSONS BENEFITTED:**

The class of persons benefiting from the proposed administrative rules are those members of the public whose vehicles are towed as a result of an accident or other nonconsensual tow based upon the request of a law enforcement officer.

**4. ECONOMIC IMPACT UPON AFFECTED CLASSES OF PERSONS:**

There is no anticipated economic impact related to the proposed rule. There are no fees associated with the proposed rule.

**5. COST AND BENEFITS TO THE AGENCY:**

There are no anticipated costs related to the proposed rule. The benefits to the agency are improved regulations that allow the Department to maintain oversight of wrecker and towing companies and provide a level of protection for citizens whose vehicles are subject to nonconsensual tow as a result of an accident or other encounter with law enforcement.

**6. ECONOMIC IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISION:**

There is no anticipated impact on political subdivisions.

**7. ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS:**

There is no anticipated adverse economic impact on small businesses.

**8. MEASURES TAKEN TO MINIMIZE COMPLIANCE COSTS:**

There are no compliance costs associated with the proposed permanent rules.

**9. EFFECT OF THE PROPOSED RULE ON PUBLIC HEALTH:**

There is no anticipated effect on public health, safety, or environment.

**10. DETRIMENTS TO PUBLIC HEALTH IF THE RULE IS NOT ADOPTED:**

There is no anticipated impact on public health, safety, or environment

if the emergency rule is not adopted.

**11. DATE RULE IMPACT STATEMENT PREPARED:**

January 11, 2023.