

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2325

By: Frix of the House

and

7 **Bergstrom** of the Senate

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9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S.
11 2011, Section 14-120.1, which relates to vehicles
12 requiring escort; making certain escort requirement
13 exception for retail implement dealers; and declaring
14 an emergency.

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-120.1, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 14-120.1 A. Any vehicle or combination of vehicles
19 with an outside width that exceeds twelve (12) feet operating on
20 highways in the state, including the National System of Interstate
21 and Defense Highways, shall, in addition to being in compliance with
22 provisions of Section 14-101 et seq. of this title, be accompanied
23 by an escort vehicle or vehicles, as prescribed by the Department of
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1 Public Safety. However, escort vehicle requirements shall not apply
2 to retail implement dealers.

3 B. No person shall operate an escort vehicle for hire, as
4 required by this section, unless the person has been certified by
5 the Department of Public Safety as an escort vehicle operator.

6 C. Any person not required to be certified by the Department of
7 Public Safety as an escort vehicle operator may tow a trailer when
8 escorting a manufactured home. Such trailer shall not exceed eight
9 and one-half (8 1/2) feet in width and twenty (20) feet in length
10 with siding not to exceed four (4) feet in height measured from the
11 bed of the trailer.

12 The trailer may only be used to transport supplies and equipment
13 necessary to carry out the mission of escort vehicle operators.

14 D. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall promulgate rules for
15 the certification of operators of escort vehicles and the use of
16 escort vehicles, as required by this section.

17 E. The Commissioner of Public Safety is hereby authorized to
18 enter into reciprocal compacts and agreements with other states for
19 the purpose of recognizing escort vehicle operator certifications
20 issued by those states.

21 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
22 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
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1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, dated 02/11/2021 -
5 DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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