

Public Property Towing and Impound Practices Study

Committee

PURPOSE: To: (1) review current fees, rates, fines and administrative charges for the Department of Public Safety initiated accident, arrest, breakdown, disabled and abandoned vehicles tows; (2) examine the qualifications and operational standards for public property towing companies to be considered qualified for government-authorized towing of vehicles; (3) evaluate minimum insurance requirements and background check standards for towing company owners and operators; (4) review the impact of the laws of this State and rules and Department of Public Safety policies relating to public property towing. On or before December 31, 2026, the Committee shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations for administrative or legislative action to the Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and provide a copy of this report to the Secretary of State.

MEMBERSHIP:

House Two members of the House of Representatives from different political parties and one designated as Co-Chair, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Vacant, Vacant

Senate Two members of the Senate from different political parties and one designated as Co-Chair, appointed by the President of the Senate:
Vacant, Vacant

Other One member who represents a statewide public property towing association that is dedicated to advancing the training, safety and professionalism of tow truck operators and that operates in an urban county with a population of more than eight hundred thousand persons, appointed by the President of the Senate:
Vacant

One member who represents the public property towing industry that operates in a rural county with a population of eight hundred thousand persons or less, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Vacant

One person who represents the Department of Public Safety, appointed by the Governor:
Vacant

Notes: The Committee may request information and data from state and local agencies regarding towing contracts and impound statistics and hold public hearings to receive testimony from industry experts, law enforcement agencies and the public.

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