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# BILL ANALYSIS

## **Transportation Committee**

### **SB 5568**

**Brief Description:** Clarifying business location requirements for tow truck operators.

**Sponsors:** Senators Prentice and Benton.

#### **Brief Summary of Bill**

· Business license locations for registered tow truck operators are defined.

**Hearing Date:** 3/4/02

**Staff:** Penny Nerup (786-7335).

#### **Background:**

The business location of a registered tow truck operator is the location in which its files are kept. Registered tow truck operators may have multiple business locations, each of which are required to have a separate registration.

### **Summary of Bill:**

The business location of a registered tow truck operator serves as its business location for all purposes including for business licensure. Registered tow truck operators are exempt from licensing in a political subdivision based solely upon an operator picking up or delivering a towed vehicle within the political subdivision.

However, a registered tow truck operator may be required to have a business license: 1) in a jurisdiction in which the operator has a fixed place of business, 2) in a jurisdiction in which the operator has a contract with police agencies to perform law enforcement impounds, or 3) in a jurisdiction in which the operator has contracts with businesses to perform private impounds.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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