

Amend HB 2630 as follows:

(1) Strike the prefatory language to SECTION 9 of the bill (House engrossment, page 5, lines 24 and 25) and substitute:

"Section 2303.152, Occupations Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:".

(2) In SECTION 9 of the bill (House engrossment, page 6, between lines 13 and 14), insert:

(e) Notice to the registered owner and the primary lienholder of a vehicle towed to a vehicle storage facility may be provided by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the vehicle is stored if:

(1) the vehicle does not display a license plate or a vehicle inspection certificate indicating the state of registration;

(2) the identity of the registered owner cannot reasonably be determined by the operator of the storage facility;
or

(3) the operator of the storage facility cannot reasonably determine the identity and address of each lienholder.

(3) Strike SECTION 11 of the bill (House engrossment, page 6, line 22 through page 7, line 2) and substitute:

SECTION 11. Sections 2303.155(e) and (f), Occupations Code, are amended to read as follows:

(e) The operator of a vehicle storage facility or governmental vehicle storage facility may charge a daily storage fee under Subsection (b):

(1) for not more than five days before the date notice is mailed or published under this subchapter, if the vehicle is registered in this state; ~~and~~

(2) for not more than five days before the date the request for owner information is sent to the appropriate governmental entity as required by this subchapter, if the vehicle is registered in another state; and

(3) for each day the vehicle is in storage after the date the notice is mailed or published until the vehicle is removed and all accrued charges are paid.

(f) The operator of a vehicle storage facility or

governmental vehicle storage facility may not charge an additional fee related to the storage of a vehicle other than a fee authorized by this section or a towing fee authorized by Chapter 643, Transportation Code [~~that is similar to a notification, impoundment, or administrative fee~~].

(4) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber existing SECTIONS accordingly:

SECTION __. Subchapter D, Chapter 2303, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 2303.158 to read as follows:

Sec. 2303.158. FORMS OF PAYMENT OF CHARGES. (a) The operator of a vehicle storage facility shall accept payment by an electronic check, debit card, or credit card for any charge associated with delivery or storage of a vehicle.

(b) In this section, "vehicle storage facility" includes a governmental vehicle storage facility as defined by Section 2303.155.