

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1376  
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Transportation  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties note that current law concerning the classification of a vehicle as a "junked vehicle" is ambiguous and often interpreted differently by various municipalities. H.B. 1376 seeks to clarify the requirements for classifying a vehicle as a "junked vehicle."

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1376 amends the Transportation Code to redefine "junked vehicle" in provisions of law governing abandoned motor vehicles that are junked vehicles for purposes of abatement of a public nuisance to mean a self-propelled vehicle that meets certain criteria, including that it displays an expired license plate or invalid motor vehicle inspection certificate or does not display a license plate or motor vehicle inspection certificate, rather than does not have lawfully attached to it an unexpired license plate and a valid motor vehicle inspection certificate.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2011.