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MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation

From: Adam Siebers, Assistant Revisor

Date: March 17, 2021

Subject: Senate Bill No. 158

Summary

Senate Bill No. 158 prohibits the towing of vehicles outside the state of Kansas without prior consent, requires an interstate search of registered owners and lienholders prior to sale of nonrepairable vehicles and vehicles less than 10 years old and requires publication in the newspaper seven days prior to sale of vehicles and property at auction.

Section 1 – amends the definition section inserting the definition of “person”.

Section 2 – prohibits a towing service provider from towing a vehicle to a location outside the State of Kansas without the consent of the driver or owner of the vehicle or the motor club of which the driver or owner is a member.

Section 3 – requires that prior to sale, a towed vehicle that cannot be verified by the division of vehicles is required to have an interstate search performed unless the vehicle is 10 years of age or older or a nonrepairable vehicle. Additionally, there is a requirement that the notice of an auction be published seven days prior to the scheduled auction.