



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2251

PRINTER'S NO. 3023

PRIME SPONSOR: Neilson

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
Motor License Fund	\$0	\$0

**SUMMARY:** HB 2251 PN 3023 creates a timeline and requires PennDOT to execute steps necessary to process abandoned vehicles and certificates of salvage within 10 business days. This legislation will take effect in 60 days.

**ANALYSIS:** This legislation amends Title 75 (Vehicles) Section 7305 (related to Notice to Owner and Lienholders of Abandoned Vehicles), Section 7307 (related to Authorization for Disposal of Unclaimed Vehicles), and Section 7309 (related to Processing of Nonrepairable or Salvage Vehicles) to make the following changes:

**Section 7305**

- Within 10 business days of receipt of an abandoned vehicle information report, PennDOT must notify by certified mail (return receipt requested), the last known registered owner and all lienholders on record that the vehicle in question is being held abandoned;
- Within 10 business days of the date PennDOT determines that it's unable to establish the registered owner and lienholder of a vehicle, it must publish a notice in one newspaper of general circulation the area where the vehicle was abandoned;

**Section 7307**

- Within 10 business days of receipt of the written statement from the holder of the vehicle, PennDOT must process the authorization for the disposal of the abandoned vehicle;

**Section 7309**

- Within 10 business days of receipt of the application, PennDOT must approve or deny the certificate of salvage, if all other requirements have been met;
- PennDOT must review the salvor's report, within 10 business days of receipt, if the identity of the last registered owner cannot be determined, and it is not possible to establish the identity and addresses of any lienholder. Additionally, the department must issue a certificate of salvage;

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The enactment of this legislation would not have a fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds, as the bill simply provides for a timeline in processing abandoned vehicles and certificates of salvage.

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*Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.*