

HCS HB 1201 -- DISPOSAL OF DAMAGED VEHICLES

SPONSOR: Crawford (Dusenberg)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Transportation and Motor Vehicles by a vote of 18 to 0.

This substitute allows Kansas City to adopt by ordinance regulations for the removal and sale of abandoned property by requiring:

- (1) The Department of Revenue to search the records to determine ownership of the abandoned property;
- (2) Notification to the owner by mail advising of the towing and impoundment;
- (3) Vehicles older than six years and more than 50% damaged by collision, fire, or decay that are valued at less than \$200, be held at least 10 days before being sold to a licensed salvage or scrap business; and
- (4) All other vehicles be held at least 30 days before being sold.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2005, FY 2006, and FY 2007.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that disposing of abandoned, junked vehicles is time consuming, costly, and troublesome.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Dusenberg; and City of Kansas City.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

Robert Triplett, Legislative Analyst