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Research Analysis

The propose policy committee substitute to HB 1934 creates the Jamie Lea Pearl Act. The measure establishes the requirements for a medical needs motor carrier to provide for the transportation of passengers and their baggage at little or no cost for nonemergency medical needs, including, but not limited to, dialysis, cancer treatments, prosthetics, pain management, and physical rehabilitation. A medical needs motor carrier may engage in the transportation of passengers and their baggage, by use of vehicles owned or leased by the company or vehicles owned or leased by drivers of the company. The measure requires every driver and vehicle to carry commercial insurance, have quarterly vehicle inspections, limit the number of hours a driver may work in a 24-hour period and retain records showing that all drivers have a five-year clean motor vehicle record, federal and state background checks, drug testing results and fingerprint cards.

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Fiscal Analysis

In its current form, HB 1934 creates the Jamie Lea Pearl Act, establishing requirements for medical needs motor carriers. The measure tasks the Oklahoma Corporate Commission with promulgating rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of the bill. Any cost associated with this measure would stem from the newly created administrative responsibility placed upon the Corporate Commission.

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Other Considerations

None.

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