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Bill Analysis

SB 158 creates the Oklahoma Emergency Weather Response and Tracking Regulatory Act of 2025. The measure authorizes Service Oklahoma to create a professional severe weather tracker license. Any tracker employed by a qualified media outlet must keep his or her license on file with the outlet, display his or her license and Federal Communications Commission license number of the outlet on his or her vehicle, pass a criminal background check, supply Service Oklahoma with a letter from the chief meteorologist of the qualified media outlet, and provide Service Oklahoma with proof of continuing insurance coverage. The measure establishes a \$500.00 fee for the initial license and a \$250.00 annual fee. Service Oklahoma may suspend or revoke the license. The measure also creates the Severe Weather Tracker Licensure Fund. Any vehicle designated for use by the tracker may be considered an emergency vehicle during a significant weather event.

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