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ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION
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Roy K. Dockum, Executive Director
Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission
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Oklahoma City, OK 73116

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Dear Executive Director Dockum:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding action that the Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission intends to take pursuant to consent agreement with licensees 819 and 577. The Commission proposes to fine each licensee \$500 for improper content and use of a temporary license plate.

Oklahoma law authorizes the Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission to “impose a fine not to exceed . . . [\$1,000] against a dealer per occurrence” for “any failure to comply with . . . any rule promulgated by the Commission.” 47 O.S.Supp.2016, § 565 (A), (A)(3). The Commission’s rules require specific form and substance for a temporary license plate. OAC 465-20-3-1. The Board may reasonably believe that the proposed action is necessary to prevent future violations.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State’s policy to protect consumers from fraudulent acts by new motor vehicle dealers.

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MIKE HUNTER
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA

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