

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION 2018-23A

John W. Maile, Executive Director Oklahoma Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission 421 NW 13th Street, Ste. 330 Oklahoma City, OK 73103 January 31, 2018

Dear Executive Director Maile:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding action that the Oklahoma Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission intends to take pursuant to a consent agreement with used motor vehicle dealer licensee UD 7256. The licensee was found to not be operating from its licensed location. The Commission proposes to impose a \$500 fine per violation, for a total fine of \$1,000.

Oklahoma law authorizes the Commission to fine licensees who violate the Commission's rules and its authorizing statutes. 47 O.S.Supp.2017, § 584(A). Commission rules require that licensees "operat[e] from the address shown on the license [unless] this change has . . . been reported to the Commission." *Id.* § 584(A)(7)(c). The Commission may reasonably believe that the proposed action is necessary to deter future violations.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State's policy of protecting the public by requiring that used motor vehicle dealers operate from only reported locations.

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