DIGEST

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HB 300 Original	2019 Regular Session	Carmody

Abstract: Provides that the Public Service Commission prescribe the fees associated with obtaining a common carrier certificate, contract carrier permit, or a wrecker license.

<u>Present law</u> requires that every motor carrier as defined in <u>present law</u> (R.S. 45:162) pay a special fee to the Louisiana Public Service Commission (commission) for each vehicle or combination of vehicles operated by the motor carrier. <u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> to delete the \$10 fee specification and provide instead that the commission prescribes the amount of the fee.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the special fee shall be paid annually between January 1 and February 1 at the time of the issuance of the common carrier certificate or contract carrier permit. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> allows the commission to fix an additional fee in a reasonable amount for any emergency or temporary demand for transportation. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> requires that every application for a common carrier certificate or contract carrier permit include a filing fee of \$50 and every application for a permit shall include a filing fee of \$25 in addition to any other fees and taxes. <u>Proposed law</u> removes the specific amounts in <u>present law</u> and provides that the commission shall prescribe the amount of the fees.

<u>Present law</u> requires persons engaged in the business operation and use of wreckers and towing services to obtain a wreckers license and display the number on the side of the vehicle in operation. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a fee of up to \$10 per wrecker license. <u>Proposed law</u> deletes the specific amount range and provides that the commission will determine the amount of the fee.

(Amends R.S. 45:169 and 180.1(D))