BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute for HB 1157 modifies the fees imposed on the sale of propane tanks. The measure clarifies that the fee must be used to offset the cost of inspecting those tanks and also clarifies that distributors who ship propane tanks into Oklahoma from out-of-state must also pay such fee. The measure requires each separate Class VII permitted location where propane tanks are sold to pay a flat, annual fee. The state Liquified Petroleum Gas Administrator is authorized to adopt a system that identifies the tanks on which the fees have been paid, which may include identification tags. A 25% penalty is added if the fee is not paid within 35 days of notice.

Tanks must be marked as to who owns them. Containers owned by one permit holder can only be used or filled by another permit holder with the owner's authorization.

The measure authorizes the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board to investigate propane tank accidents, and requires certain officials to notify the Board within one business day any time an accident occurs.

Lastly, the measure:

- removes the appointed position for Chief Deputy State Liquified Petroleum Gas Administrator;
- Allows the Administrator to lease or purchase vehicles; and
- Allows the Administrator to issue Class V miscellaneous permits.

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Fiscal Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to HB 1157 modifies various provisions related to the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Administrative as well as authorizes the administration to investigate liquefied petroleum gas accidents or fires. The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Administration is a non-appropriated state entity; therefore, this measure has no direct fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

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