

**168B.14 REGULATION OF VEHICLE TOWERS LIMITED.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them:

(a) "Vehicle tower" means a person engaged in the business of towing or recovering vehicles by means of a crane, hoist, tow bar, tow line, or dolly for the purpose of moving or transporting wrecked, damaged, disabled, replacement, or abandoned vehicles; and

(b) "Municipality" means a statutory or home rule charter city or a town.

Subd. 2. **Request by owner.** No municipality may prohibit the operation within its boundaries of a vehicle tower who is not licensed by that municipality and who is responding to a service request from a person who is the owner or operator or the agent of the owner or operator of the motor vehicle for which vehicle towing service is requested.

Subd. 3. **Private property.** No vehicle tower may remove a motor vehicle by towing, carrying, hauling or pushing from private property except at the request of a person who is the owner or operator or the agent of the owner or operator of the vehicle, or the owner or agent of the owner of the private property.

**History:** 1983 c 115 s 1; 2012 c 287 art 3 s 64