# Storage and Towing Fees for ARDs

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#### **Purpose for Proposed Regulation**

- Clarify BAR's authority to address storage fee issues as provided for by AB 1263 (Berman, Chapter 681, Statutes of 2023)
- Codify BAR's guidance to the automotive repair industry regarding storage fees
- Bring together existing laws governing storage fees from the Business and Professions Code, Civil Code, and Vehicle Code under one unified regulation

### § 3351.8 Storage Fees (1 of 2)

The proposed regulations will clarify:

- What an ARD must do to charge storage fees after completion of repairs
- Storage fees can be assessed prior to any authorized repairs when receiving a vehicle for storage
- No storage fees can be assessed while a vehicle is undergoing repairs
- Access to a stored vehicle, and the requirement to accept multiple payment methods as specified in Vehicle Code section 22651.07

### § 3351.8 Storage Fees (2 of 2)

The proposed regulations will require:

- Storage fees resulting from an accident or theft recovery to be charged in accordance with Vehicle Code section 22524.5
- An itemize invoice of storage fees when charged
- Posting of daily storage rates
- Additional storage fee notifications when providing a tear down estimate

Create a process for BAR to obtain daily storage rates from the industry and provide that data on its website

## § 3351.9 Towing Fees

The proposed regulations will require:

- Any towing fees resulting from an accident or theft recovery to be charged in accordance with Vehicle Code section 22524.5
- An itemize invoice of towing fees when charged
- For ARDs that provide towing:
  - Posting of Towing and Storage Fees Access Notice

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