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Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments

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Live auctions

Eliminates a stipulation that audiences of a live auction must be in the same physical location as the auctioneer conducting the auction.

Self-service storage facilities

Lien enforcement notices

- Removes the requirement for lien enforcement notices sent by email to also be sent by certified or first-class mail.
- Allows a lien enforcement notice to be sent by email to an occupant, but to no other parties and only if certain conditions apply.
- If successful delivery cannot be established, requires the owner to re-send the notice via certified mail, first-class mail, or private delivery service.
- Replaces a provision deeming an email notice delivered when it is properly addressed and sent with a provision deeming it delivered when the owner receives a response or return receipt.

Towing

- Grants self-service storage facility owners discretion in deciding whether and when to have motor vehicles, trailers, and watercraft removed from self-service storage spaces when an occupant is in default or when other personal property in the space will be or was sold to collect amounts due.
- Adds trailers to the list of property for which a 30-day notice is required prior to towing such property due to default.

- Removes a provision requiring a response to a facility owner's lien enforcement notice from a person holding a lien on a motor vehicle or watercraft prior to a facility owner towing it.
- Adds trailers to the list of property for which a facility owner is not liable for damages following towing.
- Requires a lien enforcement notice to include the name of the towing service or storage facility.
- Requires the name and street address of the towing service or storage facility to be made available to the occupant or lienholder upon presentation of proof of an interest in the motor vehicle, trailer, or watercraft.