

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 5 - 0 - 1
Yeas: Atkinson, Burdick, Edwards, Starr, Beyer
Nays: 0
Exc.: Girod
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Meeting Dates: 3/31, 4/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Expands application requirements for dismantler certificate to include the applicant's National Motor Vehicle Title Information System identification number. Defines "mobile motor vehicle crusher" and "crushed motor vehicle." Establishes requirements for use of mobile motor vehicle crushers by dismantlers. Expands Authority of Department of Transportation to impose sanctions. Authorizes Department to impose civil penalties for violations on person who holds dismantler certificate.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Liability for cars that are not properly cleared of contaminants before being crushed
- Regulating mobile motor vehicle crushers

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) is national database that maintains vehicle histories so consumers can verify odometer readings, total loss history, and salvage history of a particular used vehicle they might purchase. State motor vehicle titling agencies, insurance carriers, auto recyclers, and junk and salvage yards make reports to the system. NMVTIS is designed to protect consumers from fraud and unsafe vehicles and to keep stolen vehicles from being resold. NMVTIS is also a tool that assists states and law enforcement in deterring and preventing title fraud and other crimes.