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Brief Description: Strengthening accountability for salvage vehicles.

**HB 2908 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Authorizes the Washington state patrol to conduct inspections of salvage vehicles presented to the state for titling or licensing. In addition to those powers and duties elsewhere granted, the chief of the Washington state patrol shall adopt, apply, and enforce such rules relating to salvage vehicles and salvage vehicle inspections as may be deemed necessary by the chief for the public welfare and safety.

Declares that a physical examination of the vehicle is mandatory if the vehicle was declared totaled or salvage under the laws of this state, or the vehicle is presented with documents from another state showing the vehicle was totaled or salvage and has not been reissued a valid registration from that state after the declaration of total loss or salvage.

Requires the inspection to verify that the vehicle identification number is genuine and agrees with the number shown on the original documents supporting the vehicle purchase or ownership.