

**SB 5204.E - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Authorizes the director to establish points of inspection for vehicles transporting animals on the public roads of this state to determine if the animals being transported are accompanied by valid health certificates, permits, or other documents as required by this chapter or its rules. Vehicles transporting animals on the public roads of this state are subject to inspection and must stop at any posted inspection point established by the director.

Authorizes the director or appointed officers to stop a vehicle transporting animals upon the public roads of this state at a place other than an inspection point if there is reasonable cause to believe the animals are being transported in violation of chapter 16.36 RCW or its rules.

Declares that any person found transporting animals on the public roads of this state that are not accompanied by valid health certificates, permits, or other documents as required by chapter 16.36 RCW or its rules has committed a class 1 civil infraction.

Provides that any person in violation of this chapter or its rules may be subject to a civil penalty in an amount of not more than one thousand dollars for each violation. Each violation is a separate and distinct offense.

Provides that livestock dealers must carry animal identification and animal health documents as required by chapters 16.36 and 16.57 RCW and rules adopted by the director under those chapters.