

HB 2139 -- MOTOR VEHICLE JUNKING CERTIFICATES

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Currently, upon receipt of a properly completed application for a motor vehicle junking certificate, the Director of the Department of Revenue must issue a junking certificate to the applicant authorizing the holder to possess, transport, or transfer ownership by assignment in the parts, scrap or junk, and a certificate of title cannot again be issued for the vehicle except that the initial purchaser must be allowed to rescind the application within 90 days.

This bill repeals those provisions and specifies that the Department of Revenue can only issue a junking certificate for a motor vehicle that has been designated as junk or any substantially equivalent designation, regardless of whether the designation was made in Missouri or any other state. The department cannot issue a salvage certificate or an original certificate of title if the motor vehicle has been designated as junk in any state. If a vehicle has not previously been designated as junk or any other substantially equivalent designation from any state, an applicant making the original junking certification application must be allowed to rescind the application within 90 days by surrendering the junking certificate and applying for a salvage certificate of title in the applicant's name.