

Sixty-third  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1126**

Introduced by

Transportation Committee

(At the request of the Highway Patrol)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-05-20.2 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to salvage certificates of title.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-05-20.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **39-05-20.2. Issuance of salvage certificate of title.**

7 1. The owner of a vehicle that is damaged in excess of seventy-five percent of the  
8 vehicle's retail value as determined by the national automobile dealers association  
9 official used car guide shall forward the title for that vehicle to the department within  
10 ten days and the department shall issue a salvage certificate of title. Glass damage  
11 and hail damage must be excluded in the determination of whether a vehicle has been  
12 damaged in excess of seventy-five percent of the vehicle's retail value.

13 2. If a vehicle for which a salvage certificate of title has been issued is reconstructed, a  
14 regular certificate of title may be obtained by completing an application for the  
15 certificate. The applicant shall include with the application a certificate of inspection in  
16 the form required by the department, the salvage certificate of title, and a five dollar  
17 fee. The department shall place on the regular certificate of title and on all subsequent  
18 certificates of title issued for the vehicle the words "previously salvaged" and a  
19 notation that damage disclosure information is available from the department. The  
20 department may not issue a new certificate unless the vehicle identification number of  
21 the vehicle has been inspected and found to conform to the description given in the  
22 application or unless other proof of the identity of the vehicle has been provided to the  
23 satisfaction of the department.

- 1        3.    The certificate of inspection required under this section must be completed by a
- 2        ~~national institute for automotive service excellence-certified~~ mechanic ~~that~~ certified by
- 3        ~~an industry-recognized certificate~~ who must state the vehicle is in compliance with the
- 4        requirements of chapter 39-21.