

Summary of Legislation effective January 1, 2016:

***NOTE: links may summarize legislation and may not be all inclusive of what is required by law.

[HF 563](#)

Amends Chapter [321H](#) as follows:

- Requires a licensed vehicle recycler to register with the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS)
- Requires every person who applies for a vehicle recycler license to provide proof of registration with NMVTIS
- Requires every licensed vehicle recycler to report the acquisition of vehicles to NMVTIS, that are subject to federal reporting requirements, within two business days of the date of purchase
- Provides criminal and administrative sanctions for failure of a licensed recycler to comply with NMVTIS reporting requirements

Amends chapter [321](#) as follows:

- Allows an owner of a motor vehicle to dispose of a vehicle to a licensed recycler for scrap or junk without surrendering a certificate of title or a junking certificate if:
 1. The motor vehicle is 12 model years old or older
AND
 2. The motor vehicle is sold to the vehicle recycler for less than \$1000.00
- Exempts a person from the requirement to obtain a certificate of title or junking certificate for a vehicle as described above

Recommendations from the Recycler's Association:

Complete a Vehicle Purchase by Affidavit form. There is not a DOT approved form. You can create your own or use the [Recycler's Association's Affidavit](#).

- Fill in the Vehicle information on the Affidavit
- Verify using NMVTIS that the vehicle is not stolen or crushed and that there is no lien recorded in the system
- Fill in the Seller's Information
- Print the Form
- Attach a copy of the seller's Driver's License or ID to the Affidavit
- Report the vehicle in NMVTIS within 2 business days

Another good practice will be to check ARTS for lien, you can use the following process:

- Go to <http://www.iowadot.gov/mvd/vehicleregistration/default.htm>
- Click on “Fee Calculator” under “Registering a Vehicle”
- An “ARTS” page will appear that says “Welcome Motor Vehicle Guest” Hover over where it says “Tools” in the upper left hand corner, and
- Click on Dealer Inquiry
- Click on Vehicle Inquiry
- Enter VIN
- Click search: In the middle of the report shown there is a section that says “Security Interest Exists” then either “yes” or “no” telling you if there is a lien

To register with NMVTIS you can go to the below websites:

- http://www.vehiclehistory.gov/nmvtis_auto.html (this is the website the state recommends) OR
- <http://www.aamva.org/NMVTIS-Reporting-Service/>
- There is a FAQ page at http://www.vehiclehistory.gov/nmvtis_faq.html
- Another good source of information is <http://www.iowaautomotiverecyclers.com/>

If you have further questions, please contact us at 319-824-3132 or contact the Office of Vehicle Services at 515-237-3050.