## Amendment No. 1064

	Senate Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 169 Third Reprint			
<b>Proposed by:</b> Senator Nola	n			
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A.B. No. 169—Makes various changes relating to abandoned motor vehicles.

- 2. A dealer or rebuilder may obtain one or two cards for his business. If a dealer obtains two cards for his business, one of the cards may be issued to a salesman who is an employee of the dealer and who is:
  - (a) Licensed pursuant to NRS 482.362; and
- (b) Acting as an agent for the dealer in the purchase of a vehicle from an operator of a salvage pool.
  - 3. The Department shall charge a fee of \$50 for each card issued.
- 4. A card issued pursuant to this section expires on December 31 of the year in which it was issued. The dealer or rebuilder must submit to the Department an application for renewal accompanied by a renewal fee of \$25 for each card. The application must be made on a form provided by the Department and contain such information as the Department requires.
- 5. Fees collected by the Department pursuant to this section must be deposited with the State

  Treasurer to the credit of the Account for Regulation of Salvage Pools, Automobile Wreckers, Body

  Shops and Garages.".

Amend the title of the bill, fifth line, after "vehicle;" by inserting:

"allowing a card authorizing a dealer of motor vehicles to bid to purchase a vehicle from an operator of a salvage pool to be issued to a salesman who is employed by the dealer;".

Amend the summary of the bill to read as follows:

"SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to removal and disposal of motor vehicles.

(BDR 43-967)".

## If this amendment is adopted, the Legislative

## Counsel's Digest will be changed to read as follows:

## **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Under existing law, any person who abandons a vehicle is responsible for the cost of its removal and disposition. A vehicle is presumed to have been abandoned by the registered owner of the vehicle unless the registered owner proves that he complied with the laws governing the transfer of title to or an interest in the vehicle. (NRS 487.220)

This bill additionally authorizes the registered owner to rebut the presumption that he is the person who abandoned the vehicle by showing that: (1) he transferred his interest in the vehicle as indicated by a bill of sale for the vehicle that is signed by him; or (2) he reported the vehicle as stolen before it was discovered abandoned.

This bill also provides that if a sheriff's office or other law enforcement agency discovers, or is notified of the existence of, a vehicle abandoned on public lands, the sheriff's office or law enforcement agency must notify the Department of Motor Vehicles if the vehicle so abandoned has not been reported as stolen and the identity of the owner of the vehicle can be determined. Upon receipt of such notice and if the registration of the vehicle has not expired, the Department is required to send a notice to the owner demanding that he remove the abandoned vehicle from the public lands within 30 days.

In addition, this bill provides that an owner who receives a notice demanding removal of a vehicle from public lands may submit to the Department an affidavit stating that he has taken the actions necessary to rebut the presumption that he abandoned the vehicle. If an owner who receives a notice

demanding removal of a vehicle from public lands does not submit such an affidavit and fails to remove the abandoned vehicle from those lands within 30 days, the Department is required to suspend the registration of each vehicle that is owned by the person and registered in this State. A person whose registration is suspended in this manner may reinstate the registration by providing to the Department proof that he removed the abandoned vehicle from the public lands and redeemed any applicable liens applied to the abandoned vehicle to cover costs of towing and storage.

Existing law authorizes a dealer of new or used motor vehicles to obtain two cards that allow him to bid to purchase a vehicle from an operator of a salvage pool. (NRS 487.475)

This bill authorizes one of those cards to be issued to a salesman who is an employee of the dealer.