WHAT ARE THE AGENCY'S REASONS FOR ADOPTING THIS RULE?

To align WAC 308-96A with new license plate replacement requirements following a legislative change. License plates must now be replaced when a vehicle changes ownership in most cases instead of every seven years.

SUMMARY OF ALL PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS RULE PROPOSAL AND THE AGENCY'S RESPONSE TO THOSE COMMENTS:

Comment received on 4/12/15 by email:

I think that the car dealers should have to run there cars through emissions the same that we the general public who want to sell a car have too. I personaly do not think this is a far thing. after all they sell a car as is yes I can sell as is but I or we have to make the car or ruck pass emissions and show proof to change title where dealers DO NOT and there are some dealers that take the public to the cleaners as it is. I have talked to others that think the same as I do.

Agency response:
Thank you for your comments. State law (RCW 70.120.190) requires motor vehicle dealers selling used vehicles to include a notice in the vehicle purchase form that explicitly states that the new owner may be required to make repairs if the vehicle does not meet vehicle emissions standards. The Department of Licensing is unable to impose the requirement that you suggest through an administrative rule.

**WAC Changes:**

Language was added to WAC 308-96A-065 stating that the department does not issue personalized plates with a number or letter combination that was previously reported as stolen. This is a technical correction; this is current policy and similar language exists in other WAC sections.