

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Diamond of Windham.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Require an Annual Motor Vehicle Inspection to Coincide with  
Vehicular Registration.**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Sec. 1. 29 MRSA § 2122, first sentence**, as amended by PL 1971, c. 69, § 1, is further amended to read:

The Chief of the State Police shall require ~~twice each year~~ that every vehicle registered in this State ~~except motorcycles and motor-driven cycles~~ be inspected **once annually** at an official inspection station, duly appointed and certified ~~as such~~ by the Chief of the State Police, to determine the proper adjustment and sufficiency of the following required equipment: Brakes, lights, safety seat belts on 1966 and subsequent models, running gear, wheels, tires, horns, glazing, mechanical windshield wipers, rear view mirrors, reflectors, exhaust system and body components.

**Sec. 2. 29 MRSA § 2122, 2nd sentence**, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 69, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**Every motor vehicle subject to inspection shall be inspected during the month that it is registered or during the month which it is reregistered as required by chapter 5.**

**Sec. 3.** 29 MRSA § 2122, 3rd ¶, last sentence, as amended by PL 1973, c. 291, § 2, is further amended to read:

The ~~\$2~~ \$5 fee as required by law for ~~semiannual~~ the annual inspection shall not apply in such case.

**Sec. 4.** 29 MRSA § 2125, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 291, § 4, is further amended to read:

**§ 2125. Fees**

The operator of any official inspection station, or his agent, shall conduct the inspection of motor vehicles presented to him for that purpose in accordance with section 2122 and with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Chief of the State Police, for which he shall receive a fee of ~~\$2~~ \$5 for each vehicle inspected, this sum not to include labor or material used in correction of faults in equipment.

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

The intent of this bill is to require an annual motor vehicle inspection at the time that the vehicle is registered or reregistered and to increase the inspection fee to \$5 to cover the costs of conducting an inspection.