

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 136, L.D. 169, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Application Fees for Official Inspection Stations."

Amend the Amendment by inserting after the first paragraph the following:

'Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §2122, 1st sentence, as amended by 1971, c.69, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The chief of the State Police shall require that every vehicle registered in this State, except motorcycles and motor driven cycles, be inspected 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. This inspection shall be conducted during the calendar month preceeding the month in which the registration on that vehicle expires. The Chief of the State Police shall promulgate rules governing and authorizing the inspection of vehicles and issuance of inspection stickers in HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P.136, L.D.169

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instances where, in order to comply with the laws of this State, it is necessary to inspect vehicles at a time other than that specified in this section. Any temporary inspection sticker issued pursuant to these rules shall expire in the celendar month preceeding the month in which the registration on that vehicle next expires. The fee for any temporary inspection sticker shall be that figure which bears the same ratio to the fee charged for an annual inspection sticker as the number of months for which the temporary sticker is valid shall bear to 12 months. No temporary inspection sticker shall be valid for any period of time exceeding 12 months.'

Further amend the Amendment by striking out in the first underlined line of the 2nd paragrap' the abbreviated word and figure "Sec. 1." and inserting 'Sec. 2.'

Further amend the Amendment by inserting after the 2nd paragraph the following:

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

The \$2 <u>\$5</u> fee as required by law for **semiannual** <u>annual</u> inspection shall not apply in such case.' HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P.136, L.D.169

Further amend the Amendment by striking out the 4th paragraph and inserting the following:

'Further amend the Bill by renumbering sections 1 and 2 to be sections 4 and 5.'

Further amend the Amendment by striking out in the 6th word paragraph the underlined abbreviated/and figure "Sec. 4." and inserting 'Sec. 6.'

Further amend the Amendment by inserting at the end before the Statement of Fact the following:

Sec. 7. 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 $\frac{52}{5}$ for each vehicle inspected, this sum not to include labor or material used in correction of faults in equipment.

Effective date. This Act shall become effective 90 days after adjournment, except for sections 1, 3 and 7, which shall

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become effective on December 1, 1977, and shall apply to all vehicles whose registration shall expire after January 1, 1978.

Statement of Fact

This Amendment would provide for annual inspection of motor vehicles. This inspection would take place in the month prior to registration of that vehicle, and the fee for inspection would be \$5.

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