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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
115TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1500, L.D. 2112, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Salvage Laws"

Amend the amendment by inserting after the 3rd paragraph after the title the following:

'Further amend bill by inserting after section 4 the following:

'Sec. 5. 29 MRSA §2377, sub-§3, ¶A, as repealed and replaced by PL 1981, c. 696, §8, is amended to read:

A. The identification number of the vehicle and its component parts are inspected for identity, and the vehicle ~~is able to pass a safety inspection in accordance with the Maine vehicle inspection laws~~ satisfies the requirements for inspection of repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles established in section 2519-C before the vehicle may be offered, advertised or exposed for sale;'

Further amend the bill in section 6 in subsection 6 by inserting at the end the following:

'E. The legend "used" and "rebuilt" must appear on the state certificate of title issued for a repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicle that has passed the inspection provided in section 2519-C.'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the 4th and 5th paragraphs (page 1, lines 30 to 34 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'Further amend the bill by inserting after section 6 the following:

2 Sec. 7. 29 MRSA §2519-C is enacted to read:

4 §2519-C. Inspection of repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles

6 1. Vehicles required to be inspected. Any vehicle declared
8 a salvage vehicle under chapter 21 that is repaired or rebuilt
10 for the purpose of again operating that vehicle on the highways
 must be inspected as provided in this section before being titled
 or registered for operation in this State.

12 2. Scope of inspection. The Chief of the State Police
14 shall adopt rules for the inspection of repaired or rebuilt
16 salvage vehicles as described in subsection 1. The rules must
18 include the inspection standards established pursuant to this
 chapter for the inspection of various types of motor vehicles
 plus additional standards designed to address special safety and
 anti-theft concerns for repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles.

20 3. Inspection stations. The Chief of the State Police may
22 license up to 50 inspection stations geographically distributed
24 throughout the State as official inspection stations for rebuilt
 salvage vehicles. The decision of the Chief of the State Police
 on which inspection stations to license is final.

26 A. To qualify as an official inspection station for
28 repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles, a garage must meet the
30 requirements of section 2511 and additional equipment,
32 facility and training requirements established by the Chief
 of the State Police designed to address special safety and
 anti-theft concerns for repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles.

34 B. The license to operate an official inspection station
36 for repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles is valid for 2
 years from January 1st of the year of issue.

38 C. A license for an official inspection station for
40 repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles may not be assigned or
42 transferred or used at any location other than designated on
 the license. Every license must be posted in a conspicuous
 place at the location designated.

44 D. The application fee for a license for an inspection
 station under this subsection is \$50.

46 4. Inspection fee. The fee for inspection of a repaired or
 rebuilt salvage vehicle under this section is \$100. One-half of

that amount must be sent to the Chief of the State Police to be paid to the Highway Fund.

5. Salvage vehicle inspectors. Only a person holding a valid inspection mechanic's certificate issued by the Chief of the State Police may perform an inspection or issue or sign a certificate of inspection for a repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicle. The Chief of the State Police may adopt rules governing the issuance of inspection mechanic certificates under this section.

6. Certificate of title. A certificate of title issued for a repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicle that passes the inspection provided in this section must indicate that that vehicle is a used and rebuilt vehicle.

7. Temporary operation permit. The Chief of the State Police may issue a temporary permit to operate a repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicle for the purpose of operating the vehicle on the highways of the State to and from the place of inspection. The fee for such a permit is \$10.

Sec. 8. Implementation. The program of inspection of repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicles established in this Act must be implemented beginning January 1, 1993. The Chief of the State Police may adopt rules and take other administrative steps necessary to implement this Act beginning on the effective date of this Act. The Chief of the State Police shall report on the implementation of this Act to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters by December 1, 1992. The report may include draft legislation necessary for implementation. After consideration of the report, the committee may introduce legislation to the First Regular Session of the 116th Legislature.

Sec. 9. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from the Highway Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1992-93

PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF

Motor Vehicle Inspection

Positions	(2.0)
Personal Services	\$60,146
All Other	29,862
Capital Expenditures	37,492

2 Provides funds for 2 state police troopers,
3 rulemaking expenses, contractual services
4 and general operating expenses to administer
5 the salvage vehicle inspection program.

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7 **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**
8 **TOTAL**

\$127,500'

10 Further amend the amendment by inserting before the fiscal
11 note the following:

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13 'Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read
14 consecutively.

16 Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of
17 fact the following:

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FISCAL NOTE

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1992-93

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APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

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Highway Fund

\$127,500

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REVENUES

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Highway Fund

\$127,500

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33 Establishing an inspection program for certain repaired or
34 rebuilt vehicles will increase revenue to the Highway Fund by
35 \$127,500 for fiscal year 1992-93 and require a Highway Fund
36 allocation of \$127,500 to the Department of Public Safety to
37 provide funds for two state police troopers, rulemaking,
38 contractual services and general operating expenses to implement
39 this program. The increase in revenue will be derived from the
40 collection of \$2,500 from inspection station application fees and
41 \$125,000 from anticipated inspection fees and temporary operation
42 permit fees.

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45 Costs associated with reporting to the Joint Standing
46 Committee on Transportation will be absorbed by the Department of
Public Safety utilizing existing budgeted resources.

2 STATEMENT OF FACT

4 In order to provide greater safety precautions for vehicles
6 that have been salvaged and subsequently rebuilt, this amendment
8 establishes an inspection program for repaired or rebuilt salvage
10 vehicles to be administered by the Chief of the State Police.
12 Inspection standards are required to meet special safety and
14 anti-theft issues presented by salvage vehicles. A vehicle that
16 meets the inspection standards qualifies for a certificate of
title as a "used" and "rebuilt" vehicle. The Chief of the State
Police is authorized to license a limited number of inspection
stations for salvage vehicles and to certify salvage vehicle
inspectors. A temporary operating permit may be issued to permit
operation of a repaired or rebuilt salvage vehicle to and from an
inspection station.

18 The program of inspection of repaired or rebuilt salvage
20 vehicles begins January 1, 1993. Prior to that time, the Chief
22 of the State Police will adopt rules for the program and report
to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation on any
legislative changes necessary in the program.

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