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No. 796

S.P. 258

In Senate, March 4, 1993

An Act Regarding the Motor Vehicle Emission Inspection Program.

Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: JACQUES of Waterville, MARSH of West Gardiner,
MITCHELL of Freeport.

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

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Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §2403, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 818, §2, is amended to read:

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2. Repairs. If a vehicle upon initial inspection fails to pass the designated emissions standard established pursuant to subsection 1, the contractor operating the public emission inspection station at which the inspection took place shall issue a notice specifically identifying the cause of failure and the repairs or adjustments necessary to bring a vehicle into compliance with the applicable emission limitations. Repairs or adjustments necessary to bring a vehicle into compliance with applicable emission limitations are the responsibility of the vehicle owner.

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Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §2403, sub-§5 is enacted to read:

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5. Duration of certificate of compliance. A certificate of compliance issued in accordance with this program is valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issuance of the certificate. Transfer of title of a vehicle does not, in any way shorten or otherwise limit the validity of the certificate of compliance.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill requires a contractor operating a public emissions inspection station to issue a notice for a motor vehicle that fails to meet public emission standards. The notice must state the cause of failure and the repairs necessary to bring the vehicle into emission standards compliance.

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The bill also makes a certificate of compliance valid for 2 years from the date of issuance.