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House of Representatives, March 8, 2011

### An Act Regarding Motorcycle Proof of Inspection

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Clerk

Presented by Representative WILLETTE of Presque Isle.  
Cosponsored by Senator SHERMAN of Aroostook and  
Representatives: BENNETT of Kennebunk, CEBRA of Naples, CLARK of Easton, COTTA of  
China, JOHNSON of Eddington, SHAW of Standish, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §355** is enacted to read:

3 **§355. Motorcycle registration**

4 **1. Registration.** Notwithstanding section 351, a person may not register a  
5 motorcycle unless the person satisfies the Secretary of State that the motorcycle is  
6 inspected pursuant to section 1751 and covered by a liability insurance policy as  
7 established according to section 402, subsection 2.

8 **2. Requirement.** After January 1, 2012, a person shall have a motorcycle registered  
9 and inspected within the same month.

10 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1758, sub-§3,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 624, §2 and  
11 affected by §4, is repealed.

12 **Sec. 3. Prorated inspections.** The Secretary of State shall implement a system  
13 that allows for an initial term of inspection that may be for less than one year in order that  
14 the following renewal of inspection falls in the same month as the renewal date for the  
15 motorcycle's registration. The system must allow for a proration of the initial inspection  
16 fee to reflect a term of less than one year.

17 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill requires a person to have a motorcycle inspected and insured prior to  
19 registering the motorcycle. The bill also requires that the inspection and registration take  
20 place during the same month. The bill requires the Secretary of State to implement a  
21 system that allows for the synchronization of motorcycle inspection and registration  
22 renewals.