

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 112

House of Representatives, January 19, 2017

### **An Act To Reform Maine's Motor Vehicle Inspection Guidelines**

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative CEBRA of Naples.  
Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and  
Representatives: COREY of Windham, DILLINGHAM of Oxford, ESPLING of New  
Gloucester, PRESCOTT of Waterboro, SUTTON of Warren.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1756, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and  
3 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4 **1. Inspection standards.** Equipment subject to inspection must:

5 A. Be in good working order;

6 B. Be safely attached or secured to the chassis or body of the vehicle;

7 C. Be mechanically safe;

8 D. Not pose a hazard to the occupant of the vehicle or to the general public; and

9 E. Meet the standards set forth in rules adopted by the Chief of the State Police.

10 A vehicle may not fail an inspection under this section for an aesthetic reason or a minor  
11 mechanical defect. A vehicle may fail an inspection only for a defect that reasonably  
12 affects the safety of the vehicle.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill provides that a motor vehicle may not fail its annual inspection for aesthetic  
15 reasons or for minor mechanical defects. A vehicle may fail the inspection only for  
16 defects that reasonably affect the safety of the vehicle.