

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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SENATOR CORMAN, APPROPRIATIONS, RE-REPORTED AS AMENDED, OCTOBER
2, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for
3 requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 ~~Section 1. Section 4702(g) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania~~ ←
7 ~~Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding paragraphs and the~~
8 ~~section is amended by adding subsections to read:~~

9 SECTION 1. SECTION 4702(A) AND (G) OF TITLE 75 OF THE ←
10 PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED AND THE SECTION
11 IS AMENDED BY ADDING SUBSECTIONS TO READ:

12 § 4702. Requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles.

13 (A) ANNUAL SAFETY INSPECTION.--EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN ←
14 [SUBSECTION (B)] SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (B.1), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
15 ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF ANNUAL SAFETY INSPECTION OF VEHICLES,
16 INCLUDING EMERGENCY VEHICLES, FARM VEHICLES WITH A GROSS WEIGHT
17 OR GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING OF GREATER THAN 17,000 POUNDS FOR

1 WHICH A TYPE I BIENNIAL CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION HAS BEEN ISSUED
2 AND PRIVATE NONCOMMERCIAL VEHICLES USED TO TRANSPORT STUDENTS.

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4 (B.1) NEW VEHICLES.--A VEHICLE SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM SAFETY
5 INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FIRST TWO YEARS AFTER THE
6 VEHICLE IS MANUFACTURED. AFTER THE SECOND YEAR, THE VEHICLE
7 SHALL BE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION AS REQUIRED IN THIS SECTION.

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9 (g) Exceptions.--The following are exceptions to subsection
10 (f):

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12 (5) Emission inspection criteria for newest model year
13 vehicles.--A subject vehicle never before registered in this
14 Commonwealth or any other jurisdiction shall be exempt from
15 the requirements for emission inspection for ten years from
16 the date of original registration.

17 (6) Emission inspection criteria for alternative fuel
18 vehicles.--A subject vehicle powered by electric, hybrid
19 electric or compressed natural gas shall be exempt from the
20 requirements for emission inspection. A certificate of
21 exemption shall be affixed to the subject vehicle in a manner
22 prescribed by department regulations.

23 (h) Notification to Environmental Protection Agency.--The
24 department, in consultation with the Department of Environmental
25 Protection, shall immediately notify the Environmental
26 Protection Agency of the modifications to the vehicle emission
27 program in subsection (g) (5) and (6) and of the intent to seek
28 its approval of the plan in accordance with the requirements of
29 Federal law.

30 (i) Anti-tampering inspections.--Notwithstanding the

1 provisions of subsection (g) (5) and (6), newest ten model year
2 and alternative fuel vehicles shall be subject to visual anti-
3 tampering inspections for the presence of emissions control
4 components installed on the vehicle by manufacturers.

5 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.