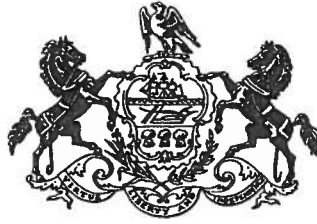


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**TO:** ALL SENATORS  
**FROM:** Stewart J. Greenleaf *Stewart*  
**SUBJECT:** Cosponsorship -- **Motor vehicle inspections**

I am reintroducing **Senate Bill 341**, amending the Vehicle Code, Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, to eliminate the possibility that a new motor vehicle will have to be inspected twice in one year.

Under the current law for annual state inspections, a vehicle's registration and inspection must expire at the same time. When purchasing a new car, there is a good possibility that the expiration date on the new car's inspection sticker will not match the registration date on the new or transferred plate. As a result, some new cars may have to be inspected twice in one year.

Under the Vehicle Code, as amended by this legislation, when a new motor vehicle is purchased, the dealer must place an inspection sticker on the car that will expire 12 months after the expiration of the vehicle's registration. For example, if a person buys a new car in June of 2011 and the vehicle's registration expires in December of 2011, the dealer must place an inspection sticker on the car that expires in December of 2012 (12 months after the initial registration). In this case, the inspection on the car is valid for 18 months. The car will not have to be inspected twice in one year.

Since this legislation only applies to new vehicles, there should not be any safety concerns.

*If you would like to cosponsor this legislation, please contact Pat Snively of my office by e-mailing her at [psnively@pasen.gov](mailto:psnively@pasen.gov).*