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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 17, 2021

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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 a subsection to read:

9 § 4702. Requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles.

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11 (g) Exceptions.--The following are exceptions to subsection  
12 (f):

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14 (5) Emission inspection criteria for newest model year  
15 vehicles.--A subject vehicle shall be exempt from the  
16 requirements for emission inspection for five years after the  
17 vehicle is manufactured. A one-time certificate of exemption  
18 shall be affixed to the subject vehicle for the entire

1 duration of the exemption and in a manner prescribed by  
2 department regulation. After the fifth year, the subject  
3 vehicle shall receive an emission inspection in accordance  
4 with this section. The following shall apply:

5 (i) The department shall notify each official  
6 inspection station on a periodic basis of vehicles exempt  
7 from the requirements for emission inspection.

8 (ii) This paragraph shall not apply to the extent  
9 that Federal funding would not be received by the  
10 Commonwealth due to the exemption under this paragraph.  
11 Notice of nonapplicability under this subparagraph shall  
12 be transmitted by the department to the Legislative  
13 Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania  
14 Bulletin.

15 (6) Gas cap test not required for certain vehicles.--A  
16 subject vehicle that was manufactured without a gas cap shall  
17 not be required to receive a gas cap test to determine  
18 whether or not the subject vehicle's gas cap is functioning  
19 as designed.

20 (h) Anti-tampering inspection.--Notwithstanding subsection  
21 (g) (5), the five most recent model year vehicles shall be  
22 subject to visual anti-tampering inspections for the presence of  
23 emissions control components installed on the vehicle by  
24 manufacturers, which may occur during the annual safety  
25 inspection.

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