

HB 1114 - AS INTRODUCED

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11/06**HOUSE BILL 1114**

AN ACT relative to state motor vehicle inspections.

SPONSORS: Rep. Conley, Straf. 13; Rep. Prout, Hills. 37; Rep. Torosian, Rock. 14; Rep. St. Clair, Belk. 9

COMMITTEE: Transportation

ANALYSIS

This bill eliminates the requirement that private passenger vehicles, light trucks, and motorcycles undergo annual equipment inspection to determine whether such vehicles are fit to be driven, provided that such vehicles are not used in the regular course of business.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.

Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 Equipment of Vehicles; Inspection Authorized. Amend RSA 266:1, I-II to read as follows:

I. The director ~~[may]~~ ***shall*** require the inspection of any vehicle, except ***as provided in paragraph I-a or*** an OHRV, snowmobile, moped, or any other vehicle exempted under this chapter, to determine whether it is fit to be driven. Such inspection shall be made at such times and in such manner as the director may specify, subject to the requirements set forth in this section.

I-a. The director shall not require the inspection of any private passenger vehicle, light truck, or motorcycle, if such private passenger vehicle, light truck, or motorcycle is not used in the regular course of business, to determine whether it is fit to be driven. Inspections of such vehicles shall be limited to inspections of emission control equipment pursuant to RSA 266:59-b.

2 Equipment of Vehicles; Inspection Required. Amend RSA 266:1, III to read as follows:

III. If the owner of the vehicle is a company or corporation or other than a natural person, the annual inspection shall be made during the month designated by the director as the registration month for such legal entity. ~~[Vehicles registered as antique motor vehicles and antique motorcycles and which are 40 years old and over shall be inspected biennially. Antique motor vehicles and custom vehicles shall be inspected in the month of April. Without regard to the owner's birth date or registration month, motorcycles, autoicycles, and recreational vehicles shall be inspected annually by July 1.]~~

3 Equipment of Vehicles; Sales of Unsafe Vehicles. Amend RSA 266:8 to read as follows:

266:8 Sales of Unsafe Vehicles. A dealer selling a vehicle at retail which, in his judgment, is unsafe for driving upon the ways of this state shall destroy any inspection sticker applied to the windshield thereof and shall within 5 days after said sale file with the department notice of said sale on a form provided by the director and signed by both the purchaser and dealer. A copy of said notice shall be retained by the dealer and a copy shall be delivered to the purchaser. ***This section shall only apply to vehicles required to be inspected pursuant to RSA 266:1, I to determine whether such vehicles are fit to be driven.***

4 Repeal. The following are repealed:

- I. RSA 266:1, V-a, relative to motorcycle only inspections stations.
- II. RSA 266:1, VII-a(a)(1), relative to motorcycle inspections.

5 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.