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An Act To Reform Maine's Motor Vehicle Inspection Guidelines

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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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 3	Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1756, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and 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 11 12	A vehicle may not fail an inspection under this section for an aesthetic reason or a minor mechanical defect. A vehicle may fail an inspection only for a defect that reasonably affects the safety of the vehicle.
13	SUMMARY
14 15 16	This bill provides that a motor vehicle may not fail its annual inspection for aesthetic reasons or for minor mechanical defects. A vehicle may fail the inspection only for defects that reasonably affect the safety of the vehicle.