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2 Introduced by Representatives Macaig of Williston and McCullough of  
3 Williston

4 Referred to Committee on

5 Date:

6 Subject: Motor vehicles; inspections; commerce; consumer protection

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to provide that:

8 (1) a motor vehicle registered in Vermont with an unexpired inspection  
9 from another state is not required to be inspected in Vermont until on or before  
10 the expiration of the other state's inspection; and

11 (2) the Vermont "lemon law" applies to a certified pre-owned motor  
12 vehicle to the extent of the warranties provided and representations made as  
13 part of a manufacturer's certified pre-owned motor vehicle program.

14 An act relating to motor vehicle inspections and consumer protection

15 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

16 Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 1222 is amended to read:

17 § 1222. INSPECTION OF REGISTERED VEHICLES

18 (a)(1) Except for school buses which shall be inspected as prescribed in  
19 section 1282 of this title and motor buses as defined in subdivision 4(17) of  
20 this title which shall be inspected twice during the calendar year at six-month

1 intervals, all motor vehicles registered in this State shall be inspected once  
2 each year.

3 (2)(A) Any Except as provided in subdivision (B) of this subdivision  
4 (2), any motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer not currently inspected in this  
5 State shall be inspected within 15 days from the date of its registration in the  
6 State of Vermont.

7 (B) Any motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer registered in Vermont  
8 with an unexpired inspection from another state shall be inspected in Vermont  
9 on or before expiration of the other state's inspection.

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11 Sec. 2. 9 V.S.A. § 4171 is amended to read:

12 § 4171. DEFINITIONS

13 As used in this chapter:

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15 (9) A “new motor vehicle” means a passenger motor vehicle ~~which~~

16 that is:

17 (A) still under the manufacturer's express warranty; or

18 (B) certified by an authorized dealer as a certified pre-owned vehicle

19 under the manufacturer's certified pre-owned vehicle program and still under a

20 manufacturer's warranty or certified pre-owned warranty.

21 (10) “Warranty” ~~shall be defined as including~~ includes the following:

1           (A) “Express warranty,” which means express warranties as defined in  
2           the Uniform Commercial Code, 9A V.S.A. § 2-313, and specifically includes  
3           an affirmation of fact or description in a certified pre-owned inspection report  
4           concerning a certified pre-owned vehicle; ~~plus~~ and

5           (B) any written warranty of the manufacturer, including a  
6           manufacturer’s certified pre-owned warranty.

7           Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

8           This act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.