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Introduced by Representative Burditt of West Rutland

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Motor vehicles; inspection sticker; inspection certificate; obstruction
of windshield

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require that
inspection certificates be displayed in the lower corner of the operator's side of
a motor vehicle with a windshield.

An act relating to the placement of inspection certificates

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

Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 1125(b) is amended to read:

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a person may operate a
motor vehicle with material or items painted or adhered on or over, or hung in
back of, the windshield, vent windows, or side windows:

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(2) in such space as the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may specify
for location of any sticker required by governmental regulation, which for
purposes of the inspection certificate shall be in the lower left-hand corner of
the windshield on the operator's side;

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Sec. 2. 23 V.S.A. § 1224 is amended to read:

§ 1224. INSPECTION CERTIFICATES

(a) For each inspection certificate issued by the Department, the designated station shall pay the Commissioner the fee required under section 1230 of this title. All unused inspection certificates and number tabs shall be returned to the Department within two months of the certificate's expiration date. A designated inspection station shall receive a refund for each unused certificate returned during the two-month period. If the station's designation is revoked or suspended under section 1228 of this title, the station shall return all unused certificates to the Department and shall not receive a refund.

(b) Certified inspection mechanics shall place the inspection certificate in the lower left-hand corner of the windshield on the operator's side.

Sec. 3. RULEMAKING

(a) As soon as practicable after the effective date of this section, and not later than June 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall file with the Secretary of State a proposed amended rule governing motor vehicle inspections that is consistent with 23 V.S.A. §§ 1125 and 1223 as amended by Secs. 1 and 2 of this act.

(b) The amended rule described in subsection (a) of this section shall be adopted so as to take effect no later than July 1, 2020.

1 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATES

2 (a) This section and Sec. 3 (rulemaking) shall take effect on passage.

3 (b) Sec 2. (inspection certificate placement) shall take effect on July 1,
4 2019.

5 (c) Sec. 1 (obstruction of windshields) shall take effect on July 1, 2020.