

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Transportation to which was referred Senate Bill No.  
3 211 entitled “An act relating to motor vehicle inspections” respectfully reports  
4 that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended by  
5 striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the  
6 following:

7 Sec. 1. TWO-YEAR MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTIONS;  
8 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN; REPORT

9 (a) The Secretaries of Transportation and of Natural Resources shall  
10 develop a plan to transition to a safety and emissions inspections program that  
11 requires pleasure cars to be inspected once every two years beginning in  
12 January 2028. The plan shall:

13 (1) establish a timeline for developing and implementing changes to the  
14 existing safety and emissions inspection program to ensure that the program  
15 can transition to a biennial inspection requirement for pleasure cars beginning  
16 in January 2028;

17 (2) identify specific actions that are necessary to ensure that Vermont  
18 remains in compliance with the requirements of the Clean Air Act, including  
19 any necessary changes to the emissions inspection program and the State  
20 Implementation Plan;

1           (3) identify potential options for mitigating impacts to State revenues  
2           during the transition to biennial inspections for pleasure cars;

3           (4) outline an outreach and education program to inform inspection  
4           mechanics, inspection stations, vehicle owners, and other interested parties of  
5           the requirements of the new biennial inspection program; and

6           (5) identify any changes to the Vermont Statutes Annotated and the  
7           Code of Vermont Rules that are necessary to implement the plan.

8           (b) While developing the plan pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the  
9           Secretaries of Transportation and of Natural Resources shall solicit feedback  
10           from stakeholders, including inspection station owners, inspection mechanics,  
11           motor vehicle owners, motor vehicle dealers, and other interested parties.

12           (c) On or before October 15, 2026, the Secretaries of Transportation and of  
13           Natural Resources shall submit a written report to the House Committees on  
14           Environment and on Transportation and the Senate Committees on Natural  
15           Resources and Energy and on Transportation regarding the plan developed  
16           pursuant to this section and any recommendations for legislative action.

17           Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

18           This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

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1 (Committee vote: \_\_\_\_\_)

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Senator \_\_\_\_\_

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FOR THE COMMITTEE