

State of Vermont Inspection Program

2-Year Inspections

What are the impacts to this change?

- ▶ Revenue adjustment - fluctuation in revenue
- ▶ Cost of inspection stickers
- ▶ Contract adjustment
- ▶ Logistical framework and communication
- ▶ Emissions tied to DMV inspections
- ▶ MBUF

Proposal from DMV

- ▶ Not opposed but apprehensive
- ▶ Discussions with key stakeholders
- ▶ MBUF implementation
- ▶ Strategize and review after session

Current Inspection Program

Vermont inspections performed by year

- ▶ 2019 - 592,857
- ▶ 2020 - 541,700
- ▶ 2021 - 538,775
- ▶ 2022 - 523,166
- ▶ 2023 - 526,302
- ▶ 2024 - 513,495
- ▶ 2025 - 495,588

Overall, the number of inspections completed have gone down 16.41% from 2019 to 2025. Additionally, revenue decreased by 9.7% within that same timeframe.

Current Inspection Program

Common repair issues reported by Vermonters (by percentage):

Brake Rotors - 45%

Body Rust - 32%

Electrical - 13%

Tires - 36%

Steering/Suspension - 36%

Emissions - 21%

Vermonters also reported that there is inconsistency within the current process leading to distrust. Examples of inconsistency can also be found in the reported varying cost of inspections by county ranging from \$61-\$280.

Proposal on changes

- ▶ Making quicker changes or updates after careful research makes a quick impact on Vermonters
- ▶ Proposed changes to the inspection manual include:
 - ▶ Wheels and tires
 - ▶ Power steering belt
 - ▶ Brake test
 - ▶ Rotors and drums
 - ▶ Lighting (non-critical lamps)
 - ▶ Headlamp aiming
 - ▶ Vehicle glass
 - ▶ Side windows
 - ▶ Wiper blades
 - ▶ Sheet metal and body