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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 268

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

MTR VEHICLE/COMMERCIAL: Urges and requests various state agencies to study the process and fees associated with commercial motor vehicle inspections required under federal provisions

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Louisiana State Police to work in conjunction with the Louisiana
3 office of motor vehicles, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and
4 Development, and the Louisiana Motor Transport Association to study the feasibility
5 of updating the process and applicable fees for the inspection of commercial motor
6 vehicles required to be inspected under the provisions of federal regulations.

7 WHEREAS, R.S. 32:1306(C)(5) provides for the operation of official inspection
8 stations and provides in pertinent part for the fees charged for the inspection of all
9 commercial motor vehicles required to be inspected under the provisions of Part 396 of Title
10 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including Part 396.17 and "Appendix G" thereof; and

11 WHEREAS, R.S. 32:1306(C)(5) also provides, in pertinent part, that the Legislature
12 of Louisiana declares that a commercial motor vehicle inspection is much more extensive
13 than state inspections and that the increase in the fee or charge for the inspection of
14 commercial vehicles is based on the difference in the two types of inspections; and

15 WHEREAS, although the Legislature of Louisiana has recognized that the extensive
16 inspection involved in a federal inspection of a commercial motor vehicle mandates an
17 increase in fees compared to the state inspection of a commercial motor vehicle, there is no
18 standard fee established for the inspection, causing fewer stations to offer federal
19 inspections; and

1 WHEREAS, R.S. 32:1311(E)(2) authorizes the owner or operator of a commercial
2 motor vehicle, truck, or tractor to obtain a Louisiana commercial motor vehicle inspection
3 certificate to satisfy the requirements of federal regulations as an alternate means of
4 compliance, yet with fewer stations offering the federal inspection, there are ongoing issues
5 with the option to purchase either inspection and a select group of commercial motor
6 vehicles that receive citations for failure to have the federal inspection.

7 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
8 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana State Police to work in
9 conjunction with the Louisiana office of motor vehicles, the Louisiana Department of
10 Transportation and Development, and the Louisiana Motor Transport Association to study
11 the feasibility of updating the process and applicable fees for the inspection of all
12 commercial motor vehicles required to be inspected under the provisions of Part 396 of Title
13 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including Part 396.17.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana State Police, in conjunction with
15 the Louisiana office of motor vehicles, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and
16 Development, and the Louisiana Motor Transport Association, shall submit a report detailing
17 the results of its study to the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana no
18 later than February 1, 2023.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
20 secretary of the Louisiana State Police, the Louisiana office of motor vehicles, the Louisiana
21 Department of Transportation and Development, and the Louisiana Motor Transport
22 Association.

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the La. State Police to work in conjunction with the La. office of motor vehicles, the La. Dept. of Transportation and Development, and the La. Motor Transport Association to study the feasibility of updating the process and applicable fees for the inspection of all commercial motor vehicles required to be inspected under the provisions of federal law. Requires the La. State Police, in conjunction with the La. office of motor vehicles, the La. Dept. of Transportation and Development, and the La. Motor Transport

Association, submit a report detailing the results of the study to the La. House of Representatives by Feb. 1, 2023.