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Subject: Eliminates State Inspection Stickers for Certain Vehicles	

MOTOR VEHICLES EG -\$14,544,855 SG RV See Note
Removes the requirement for motor vehicle inspection stickers

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Under the present law, every motor vehicle, trailer, semi-trailer and pole trailer registered in the state must have a safety inspection sticker for an annual fee of \$10, which \$5.25 remitted to the Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Public Safety Services (\$4 to Office of State Police and \$1.25 to the Office of Motor Vehicles). Proposed law eliminates the requirement of a safety inspection sticker. Proposed law modifies present law by requiring only commercial vehicles and student transportation vehicles to have a safety inspection sticker. Present law exempts overweight and oversize mobile homes when being moved by a bonded carrier and used motor vehicles in transit by a dealer from obtaining a certificate of inspection and approval. Proposed law retains present law requires vehicles registered in parishes or municipalities governed by the US Clean Air Act/US EPA obtain an emissions inspection as required by present law. Proposed law eliminates inspection stickers and safety statements for assembled vehicles. Proposed law eliminates law enforcement's ability to require drivers to submit to a vehicle inspection and test.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$72,724,275)
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$14,544,855)	(\$72,724,275)

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will decrease annual expenditures by approximately \$155,000 for the Department of Public Safety (DPS), Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV) associated with the cost to produce inspections stickers. DPS reports the average annual cost of stickers from FY 21 to FY 23 was \$188,773. Currently, OMV issues approximately 4.4 M stickers. Proposed law will reduce the number of stickers issued by approximately 3.6 M or 82%.

While the proposed law does not directly impact other expenditures, \$3.5 M of the revenues collected by OMV is utilized as general operating expenses. Additionally, approximately \$11 M of SGR revenues is transferred to the Office of State Police to be utilized for general operations. A reduction of approximately \$14.5 M in SGR revenues may require an offsetting appropriation of SGF to maintain current activity levels or may require a significant SGR expenditure reduction within OMV or State Police.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law reduces annual SGR revenues in the Department of Public Safety (DPS), Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV) by approximately \$3.5 M and the Office of State Police (OSP) by approximately \$11 M, resulting in a total reduction of \$14.5 M. Proposed law removes the inspection sticker requirement for all vehicles except for commercial motor vehicles and student transportation vehicles, which will eliminate approximately 82% of the inspection stickers sold each year.

The annual inspection sticker fee is \$10. For each \$10 fee collected, State Police receives \$4, OMV receives \$1.25, and the remaining \$4.75 is retained by the local Motor Vehicle Inspection (MVI) station. OMV also collects an \$8 handling fee per book of inspection stickers sold. In FY 19, OMV collected \$148,169 in handling fees. Based on actual inspection sticker sales in FY 19 under present law, excluding commercial motor vehicles and student transportation vehicles, OMV anticipates a total loss of state revenue of approximately \$14.5 M (\$14.4 M inspection stickers + \$148,169 handling fees). The table below illustrates projected annual revenue reductions of this measure by agency.

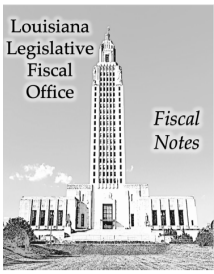
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 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

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 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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	Projected Reduction Annual SGR Revenues			
	<u>Insp. Stickers</u>	<u>OMV</u>	<u>State Police</u>	<u>Total</u>
1 year Inspection Stickers	1,135,284	(\$709,553)	(\$2,270,568)	(\$2,980,121)
2 year Inspection Stickers	2,174,584	(\$2,718,230)	(\$8,698,336)	(\$11,416,556)
# Sticker Books (\$8/book)*	18,521	(\$148,168)	\$0	(\$148,168)
Total		(\$3,575,951)	(\$10,968,904)	(\$14,544,855)

*This represents FY 19 figures for sticker books to inspection sites. The LFO is working with OMV to get more recent data.

For informational purposes

Department of Environmental Quality

Proposed law does not eliminate vehicles in parishes governed by the US Clear Air Act from obtaining an annual emissions control sticker and paying the accompanying \$8 fee to Motor Vehicle Inspection (MVI) stations performing the test. Emission control stickers are required in East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, Ascension, Livingston, and Iberville parishes. For reference, MVI stations retain \$6 of the \$8 emission test fee and the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) receives the remaining \$2. DEQ will still receive the \$2 associated with emissions tests under the provisions of proposed law. Annually, approximately 322,000 emission control stickers are sold resulting in \$640,000 of revenue for DEQ.

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