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An Act to Establish a Biennial Inspection System for Vehicle Rental Companies

Reported by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle for the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation pursuant to Resolve 2025, chapter 78, section 2.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R(t) B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1751, sub-§1-A** is enacted to read:

3 **1-A. Biennial inspection; rental vehicles.** A business that rents noncommercial
4 motor vehicles to the public may receive a 2-year certificate of inspection for each vehicle
5 if the business:

6 A. Has at least 1,000 noncommercial motor vehicles registered in the State per year;
7 and

8 B. Files an affidavit with the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police that
9 includes a statement that the fleet of rental vehicles under paragraph A will meet or
10 exceed the inspection standards set forth in section 1756 and administered by the Chief
11 of the State Police over the 2-year period.

12 **SUMMARY**

13 This bill is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation pursuant
14 to Resolve 2025, chapter 78. The committee is reporting the bill out for the sole purpose
15 of having a bill printed that can be referred to the committee for an appropriate public
16 hearing and subsequent processing in the normal course. The committee is taking this
17 action to ensure clarity and transparency in the legislative review of the proposals contained
18 in the bill.

19 The bill authorizes a business that rents noncommercial motor vehicles to the public to
20 receive a 2-year certificate of inspection for each vehicle if the business has at least 1,000
21 noncommercial motor vehicles registered in the State per year and files an affidavit with
22 the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police that includes a statement that the
23 fleet of rental vehicles will meet or exceed the inspection standards set forth in law and
24 administered by the Chief of the State Police over the 2-year period.