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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to S.P. 141, L.D. 437, Bill, "An Act To Reduce Motor Vehicle Inspection Costs"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act Relating to Inspection Requirements for New Motor Vehicles'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1754, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. New motor vehicles exempt from inspection. A new motor vehicle owned by a new vehicle dealer, as defined in section 851, subsection 9, with a dealer plate is exempt from motor vehicle inspection requirements under section 1751 only if the motor vehicle is operated in a manner consistent with section 1002, subsection 1, paragraphs A and E. For purposes of this subsection, "new motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle of the current model year or model year immediately preceding the current model year that has not been previously registered or titled.

This subsection does not allow the operation of unsafe motor vehicles on a public way.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1766, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2001, c. 234, §3, is further amended to read:

3. Fee. Stickers Except as provided in subsection 3-A, stickers are furnished by the Chief of the State Police at \$2.50 each.

Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §1766, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Fee for new vehicle dealers. Stickers furnished to a new vehicle dealer, as defined in section 851, subsection 9, by the Chief of the State Police are \$3.50 each.'

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**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill and provides that a new motor vehicle owned by a new vehicle dealer with a dealer plate is exempt from motor vehicle inspection requirements only if the vehicle is operated for purposes directly connected with the business of buying, selling, testing, adjusting, servicing, demonstrating or exchanging the vehicle or for use by customers for not more than 7 days to demonstrate the vehicle.

The amendment defines "new motor vehicle" as a motor vehicle of the current model year or model year immediately preceding the current model year that has not been previously registered or titled.

This amendment also increases the cost of inspection stickers for new vehicle dealers by \$1, from \$2.50 to \$3.50 per sticker.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**