

SENATE BILL NO. 158—SENATOR GUSTAVSON

FEBRUARY 16, 2011

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the frequency of required inspections of the emissions of certain motor vehicles. (BDR 40-310)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted-material]** is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to air pollution; revising provisions governing the frequency of required inspections of the emissions of certain motor vehicles; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the State Environmental Commission, in cooperation with the Department of Motor Vehicles and any local air pollution control agency, to adopt regulations for the control of emissions from motor vehicles in areas designated by the Commission. (NRS 445B.770) Existing law also imposes limitations on compulsory inspection programs established by the Commission. (NRS 445B.795)

This bill further limits the authority of the State Environmental Commission by requiring that the regulations adopted by the Commission require: (1) the initial inspection of a new passenger car or new light-duty motor vehicle 3 years after the initial registration of the vehicle or when the odometer of the vehicle registers 100,000 miles, whichever occurs first; and (2) the subsequent inspection of a passenger car or light-duty motor vehicle not more often than every 2 years or when the odometer of the vehicle registers 100,000 miles since the most recent inspection, whichever occurs first, except that if a vehicle fails a required inspection, the regulations must provide for annual inspections of the vehicle thereafter.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 445B.795 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445B.795 The authority set forth in NRS 445B.770 providing for a compulsory inspection program is limited as follows:

1. In a county whose population is 100,000 or more, the following categories of motor vehicles which are powered by motor vehicle fuel or special fuel and require inspection pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission under NRS 445B.770 are required to have evidence of compliance upon registration or reregistration:

(a) All passenger cars;

(b) Light-duty motor vehicles;

(c) Heavy-duty motor vehicles that are powered by diesel fuel and have a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating which does not exceed 14,000 pounds; and

(d) Heavy-duty motor vehicles that are powered by motor vehicle fuel or special fuel, excluding diesel fuel.

2. In areas which have been designated by the Commission for inspection programs and which are located in counties whose populations are 100,000 or more, all used motor vehicles which require inspection pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission under NRS 445B.770 are required to have evidence of compliance upon registration or reregistration.

3. In designated areas in other counties where the Commission puts a program into effect, all used motor vehicles which require inspection pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission under NRS 445B.770 are required to have evidence of compliance upon registration or reregistration.

4. The board of county commissioners of a county containing a designated area may revise its program for the designated area after receiving the approval of the Commission.

5. Before carrying out the inspections of vehicles required pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission pursuant to NRS 445B.770, the Commission shall, by regulation, adopt testing procedures and standards for emissions for those vehicles.

6. The regulations adopted by the Commission pursuant to NRS 445B.770 must require that:

(a) The initial inspection of a new passenger car or new light-duty motor vehicle be conducted 3 years after initial registration of the vehicle or when the odometer of the vehicle registers 100,000 miles, whichever occurs first;



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1 ***(b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (a) or (c), the***
2 ***inspection of a passenger car or light-duty motor vehicle be***
3 ***conducted not more often than every 2 years or when the odometer***
4 ***of the vehicle registers 100,000 miles since the most recent***
5 ***inspection, whichever occurs first; and***

6 ***(c) If a passenger car or light-duty motor vehicle fails a***
7 ***required inspection, the vehicle must be inspected annually***
8 ***thereafter.***

9 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2011.

