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By: **Delegate Malone**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study the Establishment of ~~Annual~~ Biennial Motor Vehicle**
3 **Safety Inspections**

4 FOR the purpose of creating the Task Force to Study the Establishment of ~~Annual~~
5 Biennial Motor Vehicle Safety Inspections; providing for the membership of the
6 Task Force; requiring the Task Force to select a chair from among its members;
7 requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to staff the Task Force; requiring
8 the Task Force to make certain findings and recommendations related to the
9 establishment of a certain motor vehicle safety inspection requirement;
10 providing for reimbursement for the expenses of a member of the Task Force;
11 providing that certain provisions of the Maryland Public Ethics Law do not
12 apply under certain circumstances to certain regulated lobbyists who serve on
13 the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to submit a certain report to the
14 Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for
15 the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study
16 the Establishment of ~~Annual~~ Biennial Motor Vehicle Safety Inspections.

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
18 MARYLAND, That:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (a) There is a Task Force to Study the Establishment of ~~Annual~~ Biennial
2 Motor Vehicle Safety Inspections.

3 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

4 (1) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
5 of the House;

6 (2) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
7 President of the Senate;

8 (3) the Motor Vehicle Administrator, or the Administrator's designee;

9 (4) the Secretary of State Police, or the Secretary's designee;

10 (5) a representative of the Washington, Maryland, Delaware Service
11 Station and Automotive Repair Association, appointed by the President of the
12 Association; ~~and~~

13 (6) a representative of AAA Mid-Atlantic, appointed by the Director of
14 Public and Governmental Affairs for AAA Mid-Atlantic; and

15 ~~(6)~~ (7) a consumer representative, appointed by the Governor.

16 (c) From among its members, the Task Force shall select a chair of the Task
17 Force.

18 (d) The Motor Vehicle Administration shall provide staff for the Task Force.

19 (e) (1) A member of the Task Force:

20 (i) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task
21 Force; but

22 (ii) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the
23 Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

24 (2) If a regulated lobbyist is appointed to serve as a member of the
25 Task Force, the lobbyist:

26 (i) is not subject to § 15-504(d) of the State Government Article
27 with respect to that service; and

1 (ii) is not subject to § 15-703(f)(3) of the State Government
2 Article as a result of that service.

3 (f) The Task Force shall:

4 (1) examine the positive and negative aspects of requiring ~~annual~~
5 biennial motor vehicle safety inspections;

6 (2) consider motor vehicle safety inspection programs implemented by
7 other states;

8 (3) examine the costs, to the State and to a motor vehicle owner,
9 associated with requiring ~~an annual~~ a biennial motor vehicle safety inspection; and

10 (4) make findings and recommendations as to:

11 (i) whether requiring ~~annual~~ biennial motor vehicle safety
12 inspections would benefit citizens of the State; and

13 (ii) if applicable, how to implement the ~~annual~~ biennial motor
14 vehicle safety inspections requirement.

15 (g) On or before December 31, 2007, the Task Force shall report its findings
16 and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State
17 Government Article, the General Assembly.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 June 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of May 31,
20 2008, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
21 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.