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AN ACT

To repeal section 307.350, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to motor vehicle inspection requirements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 307.350, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 307.350, to read as follows:

307.350. 1. The owner of every motor vehicle as defined in section 301.010 [which is]2 required to be registered in this state, except:

3 (1) Motor vehicles, for the five-year period following their model year of manufacture,
4 excluding prior salvage vehicles immediately following a rebuilding process and vehicles subject
5 to the provisions of section 307.380;

6 (2) Those motor vehicles which are engaged in interstate commerce and are 7 proportionately registered in this state with the Missouri highway reciprocity commission, 8 although the owner may request that such vehicle be inspected by an official inspection station, 9 and a peace officer may stop and inspect such vehicles to determine whether the mechanical 10 condition is in compliance with the safety regulations established by the United States 11 Department of Transportation; and

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(3) Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to section 301.131;

(4) Vehicles registered in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds for a period of less than
 twelve months; and

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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15 (5) Motor vehicles whose operations are confined solely to the transportation of 16 property owned or leased by any person who is the owner or operator of such vehicle to 17 or from a farm owned by such person or under the person's control by virtue of a landlord 18 and tenant lease within an area that extends not more than a radius of fifty miles from such 19 farm, provided that any such property transported to or from any such farm is for use in 20 the operation of such farm;

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22 shall submit such vehicles to a biennial inspection of their mechanism and equipment in 23 accordance with the provisions of sections 307.350 to 307.390 and obtain a certificate of 24 inspection and approval and a sticker, seal, or other device from a duly authorized official 25 inspection station. The inspection, except the inspection of school buses which shall be made 26 at the time provided in section 307.375, shall be made at the time prescribed in the rules and regulations issued by the superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol; but the inspection 27 28 of a vehicle shall not be made more than sixty days prior to the date of application for 29 registration or within sixty days of when a vehicle's registration is transferred. Any vehicle 30 manufactured as an even-numbered model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved pursuant 31 to the safety inspection program established pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390 in each 32 even-numbered calendar year and any such vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model 33 year vehicle shall be inspected and approved pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390 in each 34 odd-numbered year. The certificate of inspection and approval shall be a sticker, seal, or other 35 device or combination thereof, as the superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol prescribes by regulation and shall be displayed upon the motor vehicle or trailer as prescribed 36 by the regulations established by him. The replacement of certificates of inspection and approval 37 38 which are lost or destroyed shall be made by the superintendent of the Missouri state highway 39 patrol under regulations prescribed by him.

2. For the purpose of obtaining an inspection only, it shall be lawful to operate a vehicle over the most direct route between the owner's usual place of residence and an inspection station of such owner's choice, notwithstanding the fact that the vehicle does not have a current state registration license. It shall also be lawful to operate such a vehicle from an inspection station to another place where repairs may be made and to return the vehicle to the inspection station notwithstanding the absence of a current state registration license.

3. No person whose motor vehicle was duly inspected and approved as provided in this section shall be required to have the same motor vehicle again inspected and approved for the sole reason that such person wishes to obtain a set of any special personalized license plates available pursuant to section 301.144 or a set of any license plates available pursuant to section 301.142, prior to the expiration date of such motor vehicle's current registration. HB 2046

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 307.390, violation of this section shall bedeemed an infraction.