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# SENATE BILL NO. 149

91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 307.366 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate committee substitute for house committee substitute for house bills nos. 603, 722 and 783, ninetieth general assembly, first regular session and section 307.366 as enacted by conference committee substitute for house substitute for senate substitute for senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 19, ninetieth general assembly, first regular session, relating to motor vehicle emissions inspections in certain counties without a charter form of government, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the same subject, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Section 307.366 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate committee substitute for house committee substitute for house bills nos. 603, 722 and 783, ninetieth general assembly, first regular session and section 307.366 as enacted by conference committee substitute for house substitute for senate substitute for senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 19, ninetieth general assembly, first regular session, are repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 307.366, to read as follows:

[307.366. 1. This enactment of the emissions inspection program is a mandate of the United States Congress pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 7401, et seq. In any city not within a county, any county of the first classification having a population of over nine hundred thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census, any county of the first classification with a charter form of government and a population of not more than two hundred twenty thousand inhabitants and not less

**EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

than two hundred thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census, any county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of not more than one hundred eighty thousand inhabitants and not less than one hundred seventy thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census and any county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of not more than eighty-two thousand inhabitants and not less than eighty thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census certain motor vehicles shall be tested annually to determine that the emissions system is functioning within the emission standards as specified by the Missouri air conservation commission and as required to attain the national health standards for air quality. The motor vehicles to be tested shall be all motor vehicles except those specifically exempted pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3) of subsection 1 of section 307.350 and those exempted pursuant to this section.

2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to:

(1) Motor vehicles with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating in excess of eight thousand five hundred pounds;

(2) Motorcycles and motortricycles;

(3) Model year vehicles prior to 1971;

(4) School buses;

(5) Diesel-powered vehicles;

(6) Motor vehicles registered in the area covered by this section but which are based and operated exclusively in an area of this state not subject to the provisions of this section if the owner of such vehicle presents to the director a sworn affidavit that the vehicle will be based and operated outside the covered area; and

(7) New motor vehicles not previously titled or registered prior to the initial motor vehicle registration or the next succeeding registration which is required by law. Each official inspection station which conducts safety or emissions inspections in a city or county referred to in subsection 1 of this section shall indicate the gross vehicle weight rating of the motor vehicle on the safety inspection certificate if the vehicle is exempt from the emissions inspection pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

3. (1) At the time of sale, a licensed motor vehicle dealer, as defined in section 301.550, RSMo, may choose to sell a motor vehicle subject to the inspection requirements of this section either:

(a) With prior inspection and approval as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection; or

(b) Without prior inspection and approval as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(2) If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle with prior inspection and approval, the

dealer shall disclose, in writing, prior to sale, whether the vehicle obtained approval by meeting the emissions standards established pursuant to this section or by obtaining a waiver pursuant to subsection 6 of this section. A vehicle sold pursuant to this subdivision by a licensed motor vehicle dealer shall be inspected and approved within the one hundred twenty days immediately preceding the date of sale, and, for the purpose of registration of such vehicle, such inspection shall be considered timely.

(3) If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle without prior inspection and approval, the purchaser may return the vehicle within fourteen days of the date of purchase, provided that the vehicle has no more than one thousand additional miles since the time of sale, if the vehicle fails, upon inspection, to meet the emissions standards specified by the commission and the dealer shall have the vehicle inspected and approved without the option for a waiver of the emissions standard and return the vehicle to the purchaser with a valid emissions certificate and sticker within five working days or the purchaser and dealer may enter into any other mutually acceptable agreement. If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle without prior inspection and approval, the dealer shall disclose conspicuously on the sales contract and bill of sale that the purchaser has the option to return the vehicle within fourteen days, provided that the vehicle has no more than one thousand additional miles since the time of sale, to have the dealer repair the vehicle and provide an emissions certificate and sticker within five working days if the vehicle fails, upon inspection, to meet the emissions standards established by the commission, or enter into any mutually acceptable agreement with the dealer. A violation of this subdivisions shall be an unlawful practice as defined in section 407.020, RSMo. No emissions inspection shall be required pursuant to this section for the sale of any motor vehicle which may be sold without a certificate of inspection and approval, as provided pursuant to subsection 2 of section 307.380.

4. In addition to the fee authorized by subsection 5 of section 307.365, a fee, not to exceed eight dollars and fifty cents for inspections conducted prior to January 1, 1993, and not to exceed ten dollars and fifty cents for inspections conducted thereafter, as determined by each official emissions inspection station located in any city or county described in subsection 1 of this section, may be charged for an automobile emissions and air pollution control inspection in order to attain the national health standards for air quality. Such fee shall be conspicuously posted on the premises of each such inspection station. The official emissions inspection station shall issue a certificate of inspection and an approval sticker or seal certifying the emissions system is functioning properly. The certificate or approval issued shall bear the legend: "This cost is mandated by your United States Congress.". No owner shall be charged an additional fee after having corrected defects or unsafe conditions in the automobile's emissions and air pollution control system if the reinspection is

completed within twenty consecutive days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, and if such follow-up inspection is made by the station making the initial inspection.

5. The air conservation commission shall establish, by rule, a waiver amount which may be lower for older model vehicles and which shall be no greater than seventy-five dollars for model year vehicles prior to 1981 and no greater than two hundred dollars for model year vehicles of 1981 and all subsequent model years.

6. An owner whose vehicle fails upon reinspection to meet the emission standards specified by the Missouri air conservation commission shall be issued a certificate of inspection and an approval sticker or seal by the official emissions inspection station that provided the inspection if the vehicle owner furnishes a complete, signed affidavit satisfying the requirements of this subsection and the cost of emissions repairs and adjustments is equal to or greater than the waiver amount established by the air conservation commission pursuant to this section. The air conservation commission shall establish, by rule, a form and a procedure for verifying that repair and adjustment was performed on a failing vehicle prior to the granting of a waiver and approval. The waiver form established pursuant to this subsection shall be an affidavit requiring:

(1) A statement signed by the repairer that the specified work was done and stating the itemized charges for the work; and

(2) A statement signed by the inspector that an inspection of the vehicle verified, to the extent practical, that the specified work was done.

7. The department of revenue shall require evidence of the inspection and approval required by this section in issuing the motor vehicle annual registration in conformity with the procedure required by sections 307.350 to 307.370.

8. Each emissions inspection station located in any city or county described in subsection 1 of this section shall purchase from the highway patrol sufficient forms and stickers or other devices to evidence approval of the motor vehicle's emissions control system. In addition, emissions inspection stations may be required to purchase forms for use in automated analyzers from outside vendors of the inspection station's choice. The forms must comply with state regulations.

9. In addition to the fee collected by the superintendent pursuant to subsection 5 of section 307.365, the highway patrol shall collect a fee of seventy-five cents for each automobile emissions certificate issued to the applicable official emissions inspection stations, except that no charge shall be made for certificates of inspection issued to official emissions inspection stations operated by governmental entities. All fees collected by the superintendent pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the "Missouri Air Pollution Control Fund", which is hereby created.

10. The moneys collected and deposited in the Missouri air pollution control fund

pursuant to this section shall be allocated on an equal basis to the Missouri state highway patrol and the Missouri department of natural resources, air pollution control program, and shall be expended subject to appropriation by the general assembly for the administration and enforcement of sections 307.350 to 307.390. The unexpended balance in the fund at the end of each appropriation period shall not be transferred to the general revenue fund, except as directed by the general assembly by appropriation, and the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, relating to the transfer of funds to the general revenue fund at the end of the biennium, shall not apply to this fund. The moneys in the fund shall be invested by the treasurer as provided by law, and the interest shall be credited to the fund.

11. The superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol shall issue such rules and regulations as are necessary to determine whether a motor vehicle's emissions control system is operating as required by subsection 1 of this section, and the superintendent and the state highways and transportation commission shall use their best efforts to seek federal funds from which reimbursement grants may be made to those official inspection stations which acquire and use the necessary testing equipment which will be required to perform the tests required by the provisions of this section.

12. The provisions of this section shall not apply in any county for any time period during which the air conservation commission has established a motor vehicle emissions inspection program pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355, RSMo, for such county.

13. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 307.390, violation of this section shall be deemed a class C misdemeanor.]

307.366. 1. This enactment of the emissions inspection program is a mandate of the United States Congress pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 7401, et seq. In any city not within a county, any county of the first classification having a population of over nine hundred thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census, any county of the first classification with a charter form of government and a population of not more than two hundred twenty thousand inhabitants and not less than two hundred thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census, any county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of not more than one hundred eighty thousand inhabitants and not less than one hundred seventy thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census and any county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of not more than eighty-two thousand inhabitants and not less than eighty thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census certain motor vehicles shall be tested annually to determine that the emissions system is functioning within the emission standards as specified by the Missouri air conservation commission and as required to attain the national health standards for air quality. The motor vehicles to be tested shall be all motor vehicles except those specifically exempted pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3) of subsection 1 of section

307.350 and those exempted pursuant to this section.

2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to:

(1) Motor vehicles with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating in excess of eight thousand five hundred pounds;

(2) Motorcycles and motortricycles;

(3) Model year vehicles prior to 1971;

(4) School buses;

(5) Diesel-powered vehicles;

(6) Motor vehicles registered in the area covered by this section but which are based and operated exclusively in an area of this state not subject to the provisions of this section if the owner of such vehicle presents to the director a sworn affidavit that the vehicle will be based and operated outside the covered area;

(7) New motor vehicles not previously titled or registered prior to the initial motor vehicle registration or the next succeeding registration which is required by law; and

(8) Motor vehicles owned by a person who resides in a county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of less than one hundred thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census who has chosen to have a biennial motor vehicle registration pursuant to section 301.147, RSMo, and who has completed an emission inspection pursuant to section 643.315, RSMo. Each official inspection station which conducts [safety or] emissions inspections in a city or county referred to in subsection 1 of this section shall indicate the gross vehicle weight rating of the motor vehicle on the [safety] inspection certificate if the vehicle is exempt from the emissions inspection pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

3. (1) At the time of sale, a licensed motor vehicle dealer, as defined in section 301.550, RSMo, may choose to sell a motor vehicle subject to the inspection requirements of this section either:

(a) With prior inspection and approval as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection; or

(b) Without prior inspection and approval as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(2) If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle with prior inspection and approval, the dealer shall disclose, in writing, prior to sale, whether the vehicle obtained approval by meeting the emissions standards established pursuant to this section or by obtaining a waiver pursuant to subsection 6 of this section. A vehicle sold pursuant to this subdivision by a licensed motor vehicle dealer shall be inspected and approved within the one hundred twenty days immediately preceding the date of sale, and, for the purpose of registration of such vehicle, such inspection shall be considered timely.

(3) If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle without prior inspection and approval, the purchaser may return the vehicle within ten days of the date of purchase, provided that the vehicle has no more than one thousand additional miles since the time of sale, if the vehicle fails, upon

inspection, to meet the emissions standards specified by the commission and the dealer shall have the vehicle inspected and approved without the option for a waiver of the emissions standard and return the vehicle to the purchaser with a valid emissions certificate and sticker within five working days or the purchaser and dealer may enter into any other mutually acceptable agreement. If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle without prior inspection and approval, the dealer shall disclose conspicuously on the sales contract and bill of sale that the purchaser has the option to return the vehicle within ten days, provided that the vehicle has no more than one thousand additional miles since the time of sale, to have the dealer repair the vehicle and provide an emissions certificate and sticker within five working days if the vehicle fails, upon inspection, to meet the emissions standards established by the commission, or enter into any mutually acceptable agreement with the dealer. A violation of this [subdivisions] **subsection** shall be an unlawful practice as defined in section 407.020, RSMo. No emissions inspection shall be required pursuant to this section for the sale of any motor vehicle which may be sold without a certificate of inspection and approval, as provided pursuant to subsection 2 of section 307.380.

4. [In addition to the fee authorized by subsection 5 of section 307.365,] A fee, not to exceed eight dollars and fifty cents for inspections conducted prior to January 1, 1993, and not to exceed ten dollars and fifty cents for inspections conducted thereafter, as determined by each official emissions inspection station located in any city or county described in subsection 1 of this section, may be charged for an automobile emissions and air pollution control inspection in order to attain the national health standards for air quality. Such fee shall be conspicuously posted on the premises of each such inspection station. [The official emissions inspection station shall issue] A certificate of [inspection and an approval sticker or seal certifying the emissions system is functioning properly] **approval shall be issued, according to the procedures established by the air conservation commission, for each vehicle found to be in compliance with the standards established by the commission.** The certificate or approval issued shall bear the legend: "This cost is mandated by your United States Congress.". No owner shall be charged an additional fee after having corrected defects or unsafe conditions in the automobile's emissions and air pollution control system if the reinspection is completed within twenty consecutive days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, and if such follow-up inspection is made by the station making the initial inspection.

5. The air conservation commission shall establish, by rule, a waiver amount which may be lower for older model vehicles and which shall be no greater than seventy-five dollars for model year vehicles prior to 1981 and no greater than two hundred dollars for model year vehicles of 1981 and all subsequent model years.

6. An owner whose vehicle fails upon reinspection to meet the emission standards specified by the Missouri air conservation commission shall be issued a certificate of inspection and an approval sticker or seal by the official emissions inspection station that provided the inspection if

the vehicle owner furnishes a complete, signed affidavit satisfying the requirements of this subsection and the cost of emissions repairs and adjustments is equal to or greater than the waiver amount established by the air conservation commission pursuant to this section. The air conservation commission shall establish, by rule, a form and a procedure for verifying that repair and adjustment was performed on a failing vehicle prior to the granting of a waiver and approval. The waiver form established pursuant to this subsection shall be an affidavit requiring:

(1) A statement signed by the repairer that the specified work was done and stating the itemized charges for the work; and

(2) A statement signed by the inspector that an inspection of the vehicle verified, to the extent practical, that the specified work was done.

7. The department of revenue shall require evidence of the inspection and approval required by this section in issuing the motor vehicle annual registration in conformity with the procedure required by sections 307.350 to 307.370.

8. Each emissions inspection station located in any city or county described in subsection 1 of this section shall [purchase from the highway patrol sufficient] **furnish** forms and stickers or other devices to evidence approval of the motor vehicle's emissions control system **according to procedures established by the commission**. [In addition, emissions inspection stations may be required to purchase forms for use in automated analyzers from outside vendors of the inspection station's choice. The forms must comply with state regulations.]

9. [In addition to the fee collected by the superintendent pursuant to subsection 5 of section 307.365,] The [highway patrol] **department of natural resources** shall collect a fee of seventy-five cents for each automobile emissions [certificate issued to the applicable official emissions inspection stations, except that no charge shall be made for certificates of inspection issued to official emissions inspection stations operated by governmental entities] **inspection**. All fees collected by the [superintendent] **department** pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the "Missouri Air Pollution Control Fund", which is hereby created.

10. The moneys collected and deposited in the Missouri air pollution control fund pursuant to this section shall be allocated [on an equal basis] to the Missouri [state highway patrol and the Missouri] department of natural resources, air pollution control program, and shall be expended subject to appropriation by the general assembly for the administration and enforcement of [sections 307.350 to 307.390] **this section**. The unexpended balance in the fund at the end of each appropriation period shall not be transferred to the general revenue fund, except as directed by the general assembly by appropriation, and the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, relating to the transfer of funds to the general revenue fund at the end of the biennium, shall not apply to this fund. The moneys in the fund shall be invested by the treasurer as provided by law, and the interest shall be credited to the fund.

11. The [superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol] **air conservation commission** shall issue such rules and regulations as are necessary to determine whether a motor vehicle's emissions control system is operating as required by subsection 1 of this section, and the [superintendent and the state highways and transportation] commission shall use [their] **its** best efforts to seek federal funds from which reimbursement grants may be made to those official inspection stations which acquire and use the necessary testing equipment which will be required to perform the tests required by the provisions of this section.

12. The provisions of this section shall not apply in any county for any time period during which the air conservation commission has established a motor vehicle emissions inspection program pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355, RSMo, for such county, except where motor vehicle owners have the option of biennial testing pursuant to chapter 643, RSMo. In counties where such option is available, the emissions inspection may be conducted in stations conducting only an emissions inspection under contract to the state.

13. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 307.390, violation of this section shall be deemed a class C misdemeanor.

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