

CHAPTER 157 LAWS OF N. J. 1975
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ASSEMBLY, No. 3011

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JANUARY 14, 1975

By Assemblymen ESPOSITO and HYNES

Referred to Committee on Transportation and Communications

AN ACT concerning inspection of motor vehicles and amending
R. S. 39:8-4.

1 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
2 of New Jersey:

1 1. R. S. 39:8-4 is amended to read as follows:

2 39:8-4. If inspections as required by section 39:8-1 of this Title
3 disclose the necessity for adjustments, corrections or repairs, it
4 shall be incumbent upon the owner of any such motor vehicle to
5 have such adjustments, corrections or repairs made within the
6 period designated by the [commissioner] director.

7 The director may cause a certificate of approval to be issued for
8 a motor vehicle needing an adjustment, correction or repair in order
9 to conform to the requirements of chapter 3 and chapter 8 of this
10 Title, but which, in the director's determination, is nevertheless
11 safe. In such cases the director shall issue notice to the vehicle
12 owner to have said adjustment, correction or repair made within a
13 specified period of time, subject to the penalties of R. S. 39:8-9.

1 2. The director may promulgate such rules and regulations as
2 may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.

1 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill gives the Director of Motor Vehicles the authority to promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to cause the issuance of a certificate of approval to a vehicle that does not conform to chapter 3 and chapter 8 of Title 39 with respect to certain equipment, if in the director's judgment such nonconforming

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

equipment will not endanger the safe operation of a vehicle nor pose a danger to life or property. The effect of this bill is to reduce the number of vehicles which must be reinspected. The efficiency and speed with which the motor vehicle inspection system operates will therefore be improved.

FISCAL NOTE TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 3011

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 9, 1975

Assembly Bill No. 3011 authorizes the Director of Motor Vehicles to cause the issuance of a certificate of approval to a motor vehicle that does not conform to certain requirements but which nevertheless will not endanger the safe operation of the vehicle nor pose a danger to life or property.

Assuming the companion bill A-3010 is enacted, the Department of Law and Public Safety estimates that enactment of this legislation will bring about savings of \$9,000.00 during the remainder of fiscal 1974-75, \$33,000.00 in fiscal 1975-76 and nothing thereafter. If A-3010 is not enacted the estimated savings resulting from enactment of A-3011 are \$78,000.00 in each of the fiscal years 1975-76 and 1976-77.

The fiscal note is based on an estimate of costs rather than actual cost information.

In compliance with written request received, there is hereby submitted a fiscal estimate for the above bill, pursuant to P. L. 1962, c. 27.

ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND
COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3011

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 20, 1975

This bill gives the Director of Motor Vehicles the authority to promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to cause the issuance of a certificate of approval to a vehicle that does not conform to chapter 3 and chapter 8 of Title 39 with respect to certain equipment, if in the director's judgment such non-conforming equipment will not endanger the safe operation of a vehicle nor pose a danger to life or property.

The committee is well aware of the intolerable waiting times New Jersey motorists have experienced at most of the inspection stations. The Division of Motor Vehicles projects for 1975 a volume of 5.8 million handlings by a system which can handle satisfactorily about 4 to 4.5 million vehicles. It is recognized by the committee that passage of this bill would improve the efficiency and speed of the presently overburdened motor vehicle inspection system and such passage would eliminate the need for many motorists with rejected vehicles to spend the time, effort and gasoline to return to State inspection lanes after corrections have been made.

SENATE LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND
DEFENSE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. No. 3011

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 17, 1975

This bill gives the Director of Motor Vehicles the authority to promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to cause the issuance of a certificate of approval to a vehicle that does not conform to chapter 3 and chapter 8 of Title 39 with respect to certain equipment, if in the director's judgment such nonconforming equipment will not endanger the safe operation of a vehicle nor pose a danger to life or property.

This bill is intended to facilitate and improve the Motor Vehicle inspection system and the committee recognizes that it will greatly reduce the number of motor vehicles in inspection lines, many of which simply need reinspection for minor repairs.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

JULY 16, 1975

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DICK CAMPBELL

Governor Brendan Byrne signed into law Wednesday two bills designed to reduce waiting lines at motor vehicle inspection stations.

One bill, A-3010, sponsored by Assemblyman Michael Esposito, D-Hudson, permits vehicles which have failed inspection to be reinspected at licensed private service stations.

The other measure, A-3011, also sponsored by Assemblyman Esposito, permits the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue a certificate of approval for a motor vehicle needing an adjustment or repair but which the Director determines will not endanger the safe operation of the vehicle. The owner of the motor vehicle would be required to make the adjustment or repair within a specified period of time.

The reinspection bill provides for the Director to license as reinspection centers as many service stations as are necessary to certify that motor vehicles in need of adjustments have been repaired in accordance with motor vehicle standards. The reinspection center would issue an approval sticker.

The service station would be permitted to charge a reinspection fee to be determined by the Director.

The service station would be required to post a schedule of charges for reinspection and certification.

The Director may suspend or revoke a reinspection center license for violating the provisions of the law.

The bill also provides fines of up to \$200 for a first offense and up to \$1,000 for subsequent offenses for the wrongful certification of a motor vehicle

The measure is effective until November 30, 1977, to permit an evaluation of the new program.

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