

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Austin, Texas

MAY 27 2017

Date

Honorable Dan Patrick  
President of the Senate

Honorable Joe Straus  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sirs:

We, Your Conference Committee, appointed to adjust the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on SB 1001 have had the same under consideration, and beg to report it back with the recommendation that it do pass in the form and text hereto attached.

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Note to Conference Committee Clerk:

Please type the names of the members of the Conference Committee under the lines provided for signature. Those members desiring to sign the report should sign each of the six copies. Attach a copy of the Conference Committee Report and a Section by Section side by side comparison to each of the six reporting forms. The original and two copies are filed in house of origin of the bill, and three copies in the other house.



# CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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S.B. No. 1001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to vehicle safety inspections, including vehicles exempt  
3 from those inspections.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 502, Transportation Code,  
6 is amended by adding Section 502.012 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 502.012. NOTICE REGARDING WHETHER CERTAIN TRAILERS ARE  
8 SUBJECT TO INSPECTION. The department shall include in each  
9 registration renewal notice for a vehicle that is a trailer,  
10 semitrailer, or pole trailer a statement regarding whether the  
11 vehicle is subject to inspection under Chapter 548.

12 SECTION 2. Section 548.005, Transportation Code, is amended  
13 to read as follows:

14 Sec. 548.005. INSPECTION ONLY BY CERTAIN [~~STATE-CERTIFIED~~  
15 ~~AND SUPERVISED~~] INSPECTION STATIONS [~~STATION~~]. A compulsory  
16 inspection under this chapter may be made only by an inspection  
17 station, except that the department may:

18 (1) permit inspection to be made by an inspector under  
19 terms and conditions the department prescribes;

20 (2) authorize the acceptance in this state of a  
21 certificate of inspection and approval issued in another state  
22 having a similar inspection law; [~~and~~]

23 (3) authorize the acceptance in this state of a  
24 certificate of inspection and approval issued in compliance with 49

1 C.F.R. Part 396 to a motor bus, as defined by Section 502.001, that  
2 is registered in this state but is not domiciled in this state; and  
3 (4) authorize the acceptance in this state of a  
4 certificate of inspection and approval issued:

5 (A) by an inspector qualified under 49 C.F.R.  
6 Part 396 acting as an employee or authorized agent of the owner of a  
7 commercial fleet, as defined in Section 502.001; and

8 (B) to a motor vehicle or trailer that is:

9 (i) part of the fleet; and

10 (ii) registered or in the process of being  
11 registered in this state.

12 SECTION 3. Section 548.052, Transportation Code, is amended  
13 to read as follows:

14 Sec. 548.052. VEHICLES NOT SUBJECT TO INSPECTION. This  
15 chapter does not apply to:

16 (1) a trailer, semitrailer, pole trailer, or mobile  
17 home moving under or bearing a current factory-delivery license  
18 plate or current in-transit license plate;

19 (2) a vehicle moving under or bearing a paper dealer  
20 in-transit tag, machinery license, disaster license, parade  
21 license, prorated tab, one-trip permit, vehicle temporary transit  
22 permit, antique license, custom vehicle license, street rod  
23 license, temporary 24-hour permit, or permit license;

24 (3) a trailer, semitrailer, pole trailer, or mobile  
25 home having an actual gross weight or registered gross weight of  
26 7,500 [~~4,500~~] pounds or less;

27 (4) farm machinery, road-building equipment, a farm

1 trailer, or a vehicle required to display a slow-moving-vehicle  
2 emblem under Section 547.703;

3 (5) a former military vehicle, as defined by Section  
4 504.502;

5 (6) a vehicle qualified for a tax exemption under  
6 Section 152.092, Tax Code; or

7 (7) a vehicle for which a certificate of title has been  
8 issued but that is not required to be registered.

9 SECTION 4. Subchapter H, Chapter 548, Transportation Code,  
10 is amended by adding Section 548.510 to read as follows:

11 Sec. 548.510. FEE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES NOT SUBJECT TO  
12 INSPECTION; COLLECTION OF FEE DURING REGISTRATION. (a) A vehicle  
13 described by Section 548.052(3) that has an actual gross weight or  
14 registered gross weight of more than 4,500 pounds is subject to a  
15 fee in the amount of \$7.50.

16 (b) The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles or a county  
17 assessor-collector that registers a vehicle described by  
18 Subsection (a) shall collect at the time of registration of the  
19 vehicle the fee prescribed by Subsection (a). The Texas Department  
20 of Motor Vehicles or the county assessor-collector, as applicable,  
21 shall remit the fee to the comptroller. Each fee remitted to the  
22 comptroller under this section shall be deposited as follows:

- 23 (1) \$3.50 to the credit of the Texas mobility fund;  
24 (2) \$2 to the credit of the general revenue fund; and  
25 (3) \$2 to the credit of the clean air account.

26 (c) The fee collected under Subsection (a) is not a motor  
27 vehicle registration fee and the revenue collected from the fee is

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1 not required to be used for a purpose specified by Section 7-a,  
2 Article VIII, Texas Constitution.

3 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

**Senate Bill 1001**  
Conference Committee Report  
Section-by-Section Analysis

SENATE VERSION	HOUSE VERSION (IE)	CONFERENCE
<i>No equivalent provision.</i>	SECTION __. Subchapter A, Chapter 502, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 502.012 to read as follows: <u>Sec. 502.012. NOTICE REGARDING WHETHER CERTAIN TRAILERS ARE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION. The department shall include in each registration renewal notice for a vehicle that is a trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer a statement regarding whether the vehicle is subject to inspection under Chapter 548. [FA1]</u>	SECTION 1. Same as House version.
SECTION 1-3. Sections 548.005 and 548.052 and Subchapter H, Chapter 548, Transportation Code, are amended.	SECTION 1-3. Same as Senate version.	SECTION 2-4. Same as Senate version.
<i>No equivalent provision.</i>	SECTION __. Section 548.101, Transportation Code, is amended. [added by FA3, but deleted by FA1,3rd(1)]	Same as Senate version.
<i>No equivalent provision.</i>	SECTION __. Subchapter C, Chapter 548, Transportation Code, is amended. [added by FA3, but deleted by FA1,3rd(2)]	Same as Senate version.
<i>No equivalent provision.</i>	SECTION __. Section 548.3075(b), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows: (b) A department rule that allows <u>an</u> <del>a-qualified</del> inspection station to perform a limited emissions inspection of a motor vehicle may not restrict the <u>number of limited emissions</u> <del>[station to fewer than 150]</del> inspections <u>conducted by the station</u> <del>[per month]</del> . [FA2]	Same as Senate version.
SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.	SECTION 4. Same as Senate version.	SECTION 5. Same as Senate version.

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 27, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor, Senate  
Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: SB1001** by Taylor, Larry (Relating to vehicle safety inspections, including vehicles exempt from those inspections.), **Conference Committee Report**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code to exempt from required safety inspections certain vehicles with a gross weight of 4,500 pounds to 7,500 pounds. The bill would require a fee of \$7.50 for each such vehicle exempted, and would dedicate this new fee in the following manner:

- 1) \$3.50 fee is dedicated to the Texas Mobility Fund;
- 2) \$2.0 is dedicated to the Clean Air Account. Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (\$2 x 138,623);
- 3) \$2.0 is dedicated to the General Revenue Fund.

It is assumed this new fee would eliminate any revenue loss resulting from the bill's exemption of certain vehicles with a gross weight of 4,500 pounds to 7,500 pounds from safety inspections.

The bill would require the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to include notification in registration renewal notices for certain trailer vehicles whether the trailer vehicle is subject to inspection.

The bill would also authorize the acceptance by the state of a vehicle's certificate of inspection issued by an inspector qualified under Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 396, who is also an employee or authorized agent of the owner of a commercial vehicle fleet, provided the vehicle is part of the owner's fleet, and is registered or in the process of being registered in the state. The Comptroller has indicated that because this provision would only expand the list of individuals DPS could authorize to perform inspections, and would not exempt those vehicles from state registration fees, the provision would have no fiscal impact on the state.

It is assumed any costs associated with implementing the bill could be absorbed within current resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.



**Source Agencies:** 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 405 Department of Public Safety, 601 Department of Transportation, 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

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