

1-1 By: Shapleigh S.B. No. 44
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed July 10, 2003; July 14, 2003, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Infrastructure Development
1-4 and Security; July 17, 2003, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 44 By: Shapleigh

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the use of the TexasOnline project in connection with
1-11 the purchasing of motor vehicle inspection certificates and the
1-12 sending of inspection records, reports, and information to the
1-13 Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas.

1-14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-15 SECTION 1. Sections 548.251 and 548.253, Transportation
1-16 Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-17 Sec. 548.251. DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE INSPECTION
1-18 CERTIFICATES AND VERIFICATION FORMS. (a) The department shall
1-19 provide serially numbered inspection certificates and verification
1-20 forms to inspection stations. The department may issue a unique
1-21 inspection certificate for:

1-22 (1) a commercial motor vehicle inspected under Section
1-23 548.201; or

1-24 (2) a vehicle inspected under Subchapter F.

1-25 (b) The department may adopt rules that require an
1-26 inspection station to purchase inspection certificates by using the
1-27 TexasOnline project under Subchapter I, Chapter 2054, Government
1-28 Code, as added by Chapter 342, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular
1-29 Session, 2001.

1-30 Sec. 548.253. INFORMATION TO BE RECORDED ON ISSUANCE OF
1-31 INSPECTION CERTIFICATE AND VERIFICATION FORM. (a) An inspection
1-32 station or inspector, on issuing an inspection certificate and
1-33 verification form, shall:

1-34 (1) make a record and report as prescribed by the
1-35 department of the inspection and certificate issued; and

1-36 (2) include in the inspection certificate and
1-37 verification form the information required by the department for
1-38 the type of vehicle inspected.

1-39 (b) The department may adopt rules that require an
1-40 inspection station to send a record, report, or information
1-41 required by the department to the department by using the
1-42 TexasOnline project under Subchapter I, Chapter 2054, Government
1-43 Code, as added by Chapter 342, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular
1-44 Session, 2001.

1-45 SECTION 2. Subchapter H, Chapter 548, Transportation Code,
1-46 is amended by adding Section 548.5075 to read as follows:

1-47 Sec. 548.5075. ADDITIONAL FEES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH
1-48 USE OF TEXASONLINE PROJECT. (a) In addition to any other fee under
1-49 this subchapter for inspection of a motor vehicle, including a
1-50 commercial motor vehicle, an inspection station may charge and
1-51 collect an amount in reasonable proportion to the costs incurred by
1-52 the inspection station in connection with:

1-53 (1) the purchase of inspection certificates from the
1-54 department under a rule adopted under Section 548.251(b); or

1-55 (2) the sending of records, reports, or information to
1-56 the department under a rule adopted under Section 548.253(b).

1-57 (b) The department shall adopt rules to implement and
1-58 administer this section.

1-59 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-60 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-61 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-62 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-63 Act takes effect on November 1, 2003.

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