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H.B. No. 1250

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to fees, adjustments, corrections, and repairs in connection with a vehicle inspection.

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

SECTION 1. Section 548.053, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) If an inspection discloses the necessity for adjustment, correction, or repair and if the inspection station is in the business of making those adjustments, corrections, or repairs, the owner or operator of the vehicle is entitled to an estimate of the cost, including the cost of all parts and labor, that the inspection station would charge to make the needed adjustment, correction, or repair. The inspection station may not charge the owner or operator for an adjustment, correction, or repair that is not specifically authorized in advance by the owner or operator.

SECTION 2. Section 548.501, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) An inspection station may collect the applicable inspection fee at the time of the original inspection of a vehicle, regardless of whether an inspection certificate is issued at that time. An inspection fee may be included with charges for other products or services but must be shown on a work order for the products or services as a separate item. An inspection fee may be

1 advertised in conjunction with other products or services.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.