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H.B. No. 2777

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the requirement that an applicant for registration of a  
3 vehicle provide proof that the vehicle has passed a compulsory  
4 vehicle inspection.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 502.1535, Transportation Code, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 502.1535. EVIDENCE OF VEHICLE OR VEHICLE EMISSIONS  
9 INSPECTION. (a) A county assessor-collector may not register a  
10 vehicle subject to Section 548.051 unless proof that the vehicle  
11 has passed an inspection as required by that section, in a form  
12 authorized by that section, is presented to the county  
13 assessor-collector with the application for registration.

14 (b) A county assessor-collector may not register a motor  
15 vehicle subject to Section 548.3011 unless proof that the vehicle  
16 has passed a vehicle emissions test as required by that section, in  
17 a form authorized by that section, is presented to the county  
18 assessor-collector with the application for registration.

19 SECTION 2. Section 548.051, Transportation Code, is amended  
20 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

21 (c) A vehicle subject to this section is not eligible for  
22 registration under Chapter 502 unless proof is presented with the  
23 application for registration that the vehicle has passed the  
24 inspection required by this section. The proof required by this

1 subsection may be in the form of a Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR)  
2 or other proof of inspection as authorized by the department. A  
3 Vehicle Inspection Report or other authorized proof of inspection  
4 must include, in type larger than other type on the Vehicle  
5 Inspection Report or other proof of inspection, the following  
6 statement:

7 "A motor vehicle may not be registered in this state on or  
8 after September 1, 2010, unless the applicant for registration  
9 provides proof that the vehicle has passed the inspection required  
10 by law. This document, or a copy of this document, is acceptable  
11 proof that the vehicle has passed such an inspection."

12 SECTION 3. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this  
13 section, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

14 (b) Section 502.1535(a), Transportation Code, as added by  
15 this Act, takes effect September 1, 2010.