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H.B. No. 3129

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the exemption of authorized emergency vehicles from vehicle safety inspections.

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

SECTION 1. Section 548.052, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 548.052. APPLICABILITY [~~VEHICLES NOT SUBJECT TO INSPECTION~~]. (a) This chapter does not apply to:

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

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

(3) a trailer, semitrailer, pole trailer, or mobile home having an actual gross weight or registered gross weight of 7,500 pounds or less;

(4) farm machinery, road-building equipment, a farm trailer, or a vehicle required to display a slow-moving-vehicle emblem under Section 547.703;

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

1 (6) a vehicle qualified for a tax exemption under
2 Section [152.092](#), Tax Code; or

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

5 (b) The vehicle safety inspection requirements of this
6 chapter do not apply to an authorized emergency vehicle.

7 SECTION 2. Section [548.510\(a\)](#), Transportation Code, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 (a) A vehicle described by Section [548.052\(a\)\(3\)](#)
10 [~~[548.052\(3\)](#)~~] that has an actual gross weight or registered gross
11 weight of more than 4,500 pounds is subject to a fee in the amount of
12 \$7.50.

13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.