

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 386

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAVARD

MTR VEHICLE/INSPECTION: Provides relative to required documents for trailer inspections

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:1304(A)(3)(b), relative to required documents for trailer
3 inspections; to provide that a valid inspection sticker is sufficient to meet the trailer
4 inspection requirements; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:1304(A)(3)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §1304. Secretary to require periodical inspection

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13 (b) The secretary is hereby authorized to make necessary rules and
14 regulations for the administration and enforcement of this Section and to designate
15 any periods of time during which owners of vehicles, subject to this Section, shall
16 display upon such vehicles certificates of inspection and approval and shall produce
17 the same on demand of any officer or employee of the department designated by the
18 secretary or any police or peace officer when authorized by the secretary. However,
19 an owner or operator of a light trailer, utility trailer, boat trailer, or farm trailer need

1 only provide a valid inspection sticker on demand of an inspecting officer to be in
2 compliance with the inspection requirements of this Chapter.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Allows the driver of a trailer to show only a valid inspection sticker when stopped by a police officer or other officer authorized to inspect the trailer rather than having to be in immediate possession of the title and registration.

Present law allows police officers to issue traffic citations for failing to comply with the inspection requirements to drivers of trailers who do not have the title and registration on their person.

Proposed law provides that in order to be in compliance with the inspection laws, an owner or operator of a light trailer, utility trailer, boat trailer, or farm trailer need only provide the inspecting officer with a valid inspection sticker, as opposed to the title and registration of the trailer.

(Amends R.S. 32:1304(A)(3)(b))