

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 316

BY REPRESENTATIVE BURFORD

MTR VEHICLE/INSPECTION: Exempts single axle two-wheel trailers from motor vehicle inspection requirements

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:1311(B), (C), and (D), and to enact R.S. 32:1311(E), relative  
3 to motor vehicle inspection requirements; to remove the requirement that single axle  
4 two-wheel trailers bear a valid safety inspection certificate; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 32:1311(B), (C), and (D) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
8 32:1311(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §1311. Exemptions

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11 B. Single axle two-wheel trailers and semitrailers are exempt from the  
12 inspection requirements of this Chapter.

13 C. Motor vehicles which are less than twenty-five years old or older and  
14 which are used primarily for exhibition in shows, parades, tours, and other special  
15 uses and not for general transportation and which are registered and licensed as  
16 antique as provided in R.S. 32:707(L) shall be exempt from the inspection  
17 requirements of this Chapter.

18 ~~C.~~ D. Motor vehicles which display a current safety inspection sticker as  
19 certified by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall be exempt from  
20 the inspection requirements of this Chapter.

1           ~~D. E.~~(1) Commercial motor vehicle truck tractors, trailers, and semitrailers  
2           in interstate commerce which are subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety  
3           Regulations shall be exempt from the inspection requirements of this Chapter  
4           provided that these commercial motor vehicles shall comply with the requirements  
5           of the Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR 396.17) requiring periodic and annual  
6           inspections of commercial motor vehicles.

7           (2) As an alternate means of compliance with the requirements of 49 CFR,  
8           the owner or operator of a commercial motor vehicle truck tractor may opt to obtain  
9           a Louisiana commercial motor vehicle inspection certificate which satisfies the  
10          requirements of 49 CFR 396.17. A trailer or semitrailer being used in combination  
11          with a truck tractor meeting such exemption may opt to obtain a Louisiana  
12          commercial motor vehicle inspection certificate which satisfies the requirements of  
13          49 CFR 396.17.

14          (3) As used in this Subsection, "commercial motor vehicle" means any self-  
15          propelled truck tractor or towed vehicle which is used on public highways to  
16          transport property in interstate commerce, has been issued an apportioned plate  
17          through the International Registration Plan; and

18               (a) Has a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) or gross combination weight  
19               rating (GCWR) of 10,001 pounds or more; or

20               (b) Is used in the transportation of hazardous materials in a quantity  
21               placarding under regulations issued by the secretary under the Hazardous  
22               Transportation Act (49 USC app. 1801-1813).

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#### DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Exempts single axle two-wheel trailers from motor vehicle inspection requirements.

Proposed law adds single axle two-wheel trailers to the list of exemptions to the inspection requirements in present law.

(Amends R.S. 32:1311(B), (C), and (D); Adds R.S. 32:1311(E))