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HOUSE BILL ***1362***

AN ACT relative to motor vehicle equipment specifications.

SPONSORS: Rep. T. Walsh, Merr. 10

COMMITTEE: Transportation

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes motor vehicle standards for tire tread depth and brake lining measurements and inspection standards for vehicle steering and suspension systems.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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1 266:118 Steering and Suspension Standards.

2 I. No vehicle shall be operated on the ways of this state if, upon inspection, any of the following
3 conditions are found:

4 (a) Steering linkage free-play exceeds the manufacturer's specifications.

5 (b) Any wheel bearing that is not within the manufacturer's tolerance for looseness.

6 (c) Any ball joint is broken, cracked, or exceeds the manufacturer's specifications.

7 II. For purposes of this section, "manufacturer's specifications" means the tolerances and
8 standards established by the original equipment manufacturer for the safe operation of the specified
9 system or component.

 302:4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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