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HOUSE BILL ***1403***

AN ACT relative to temporary waivers for vehicle emission control equipment.

SPONSORS: Rep. Coulon, Graf. 5; Rep. Phillips, Rock. 7; Rep. Berezhny, Graf. 11; Rep. Granger, Straf. 2; Rep. Brouillard, Rock. 1

COMMITTEE: Transportation

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill extends the repair period for vehicles that fail the OBD II test to 120 days.

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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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Four

AN ACT relative to temporary waivers for vehicle emission control equipment.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 Motor Vehicles; Emission Control Equipment; Waiver Period Extended. Amend RSA 266:59-b, V to read as follows:

V. If a vehicle fails the EPA OBD II test and it passes all other inspection requirements under this chapter, then it shall be issued a temporary waiver that permits its operation for [~~60~~] ***120*** days from the date of issuance, in order to make required repairs. A vehicle shall be eligible for only one such waiver during its inspection cycle. The department shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, that have the effect of establishing the broadest possible waivers for consumers consistent with 40 C.F.R. sections 51.350 through 51.373. It is the intent of the legislature to provide appropriate waivers to persons for whom the making of OBD II repairs would constitute economic hardship. The committee established in paragraph VII shall make recommendations for such waivers and the department shall consider such recommendations during the rulemaking process required by this paragraph.

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.