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**HOUSE BILL 15-1134**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE NEW VEHICLE EXEMPTION FOR EMISSIONS TESTING**  
102 **OF HEAVIER DIESEL VEHICLES WITH A MODEL YEAR THAT IS NO**  
103 **OLDER THAN 2014.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/bills summaries>.)*

Currently, heavy-duty diesel vehicles are exempt from testing until their fourth model year. The bill extends this exemption to the sixth model year if the gross vehicle weight is at least 26,000 pounds and is a model year of 2014 or newer.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

HOUSE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
February 25, 2015

HOUSE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
February 24, 2015

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-406, **amend**

3 (1) (b) (II) as follows:

4 **42-4-406. Requirement of certification of emissions control for**  
5 **registration - testing for diesel smoke opacity compliance.**

6 (1) (b) (II) Notwithstanding ~~the provisions of~~ subparagraph (I) of this  
7 paragraph (b), new diesel vehicles, required under this section to have a  
8 certification of emissions control, shall be issued a certification of  
9 emissions compliance without inspection or testing. Prior to the  
10 expiration of ~~such~~ THE certification, ~~such~~ THE OWNER SHALL HAVE THE

11 vehicle ~~shall be~~ inspected and a SHALL OBTAIN A certification of  
12 emissions control ~~shall be obtained~~ for diesel smoke opacity compliance.

13 ~~Such~~ THE certificate shall expire on the earliest to occur of the following:

14 (A) The anniversary of the day of the issuance of ~~such~~ THE  
15 certification when ~~such~~ THE vehicle has reached its fourth model year if  
16 it is a light-duty diesel vehicle;

17 (B) The anniversary of the day of the issuance of ~~such~~ THE  
18 certification when ~~such~~ THE vehicle has reached its fourth model year if  
19 it is a heavy-duty diesel vehicle; ~~or~~

20 (C) ~~On the date of the transfer of ownership if such date is within~~  
21 ~~twelve months before such certification would expire pursuant to~~  
22 ~~sub-subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subparagraph (II), unless such~~  
23 ~~transfer of ownership is a transfer from the lessor to the lessee. THE~~  
24 ANNIVERSARY OF THE DAY OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATION WHEN  
25 THE VEHICLE HAS REACHED ITS SIXTH MODEL YEAR IF THE VEHICLE HAS A  
26 GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING OF TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND POUNDS OR

1 MORE AND IT IS OF A MODEL YEAR OF 2014 OR NEWER; OR

2 (D) ON THE DATE OF THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP IF THE DATE IS  
3 WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS BEFORE THE CERTIFICATION WOULD EXPIRE  
4 UNDER SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A), (B), OR (C) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (II),  
5 UNLESS THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP IS A TRANSFER FROM THE LESSOR TO  
6 THE LESSEE.

7 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-414, **amend** (2)  
8 (c) as follows:

9 **42-4-414. Heavy-duty diesel fleet inspection and maintenance**  
10 **program - penalty - rules.** (2) (c) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN  
11 SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c), the commission shall exempt  
12 a new diesel vehicle enrolled in the fleet inspection and maintenance  
13 program from testing until the vehicle has reached its fourth model year  
14 or, if ownership of the vehicle is transferred after the vehicle has reached  
15 its third model year, ~~but before expiration of the exemption period,~~ until  
16 the date of the transfer of ownership.

17 (II) IF A NEW DIESEL VEHICLE HAS A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT  
18 RATING OF AT LEAST TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND POUNDS AND IS OF A MODEL  
19 YEAR OF 2014 OR NEWER, THE COMMISSION SHALL EXEMPT THE VEHICLE  
20 FROM TESTING UNTIL THE VEHICLE HAS REACHED ITS SIXTH MODEL YEAR  
21 OR, IF OWNERSHIP OF THE VEHICLE IS TRANSFERRED AFTER THE VEHICLE  
22 HAS REACHED ITS FIFTH MODEL YEAR, UNTIL THE DATE OF THE TRANSFER  
23 OF OWNERSHIP.

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25 **SECTION 3. No appropriation.** The general assembly has  
26 determined that this act can be implemented within existing  
27 appropriations, and therefore no separate appropriation of state moneys

1 is necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

2           **SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
3 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
4 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
5 5, 2015, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2015); except that, if a  
6 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
7 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
8 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
9 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
10 November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
11 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.