## §1768. Unlawful acts

- 1. Display of fictitious certificate. A person commits a Class E crime if that person displays or permits to be displayed on a vehicle a certificate of inspection knowing the certificate to be fictitious or issued to another vehicle or issued without an inspection having been made. [PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]
- **2.** Use of counterfeit certificate of inspection. A person commits a Class E crime if the person makes, possesses, issues or knowingly uses an imitation or counterfeit of an official certificate of inspection or a certificate of inspection that was not issued by an official inspection station in accordance with law.

[PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

**3. Misrepresentation of vehicle inspection station.** A person commits a Class E crime if that person represents a place as an official inspection station and the station is not operating under a valid license.

[PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

**4. Issuance of certificate for substandard vehicle.** A person commits a Class E crime if that person knowingly causes an official inspection sticker to be attached to a vehicle that does not conform to the inspection standard.

[PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

- **5. Operation of defective vehicle.** A person may not operate a vehicle on a public way with equipment on the vehicle that does not conform to the standards set forth in rules adopted by the Chief of the State Police pursuant to section 1769.
  - A. Except as provided in paragraphs B and C, a person who violates this subsection commits a traffic infraction. [PL 2003, c. 688, Pt. C, §13 (NEW).]
  - B. A person who violates this subsection commits a Class E crime if the vehicle is unsafe for operation because it poses an immediate hazard to an occupant of the vehicle or the general public. [PL 2003, c. 688, Pt. C, §13 (NEW).]
  - C. A person who violates this subsection and is involved in a motor vehicle accident caused by nonconformance with the rules adopted by the Chief of the State Police pursuant to section 1769 commits a Class E crime. [PL 2003, c. 688, Pt. C, §13 (NEW).]

[PL 2003, c. 688, Pt. C, §13 (RPR).]

- **6. Alteration after inspection.** A person commits a Class E crime if that person alters equipment after inspection so that the equipment does not conform to the standards of this subchapter. [PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]
- 7. Operation of vehicle without certificate of inspection. An owner or operator of a vehicle required to be inspected commits a traffic infraction if that person operates that vehicle or permits that vehicle to be operated without displaying a current and valid certificate of inspection or producing the certificate on demand of a police officer.

[PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

- **8.** Performance of inspections, issuance of inspection certificate by a person with a suspended or revoked inspection mechanic license. A person commits a Class E crime if, at a time when the person's inspection mechanic license is suspended or revoked pursuant to section 1763, the person:
  - A. Performs a state motor vehicle inspection or federally approved motor vehicle inspection in order for a certificate of inspection or report to be issued by a 3rd party; or [PL 2011, c. 448, §1 (NEW); PL 2011, c. 448, §4 (AFF).]

B. Issues a state or federally approved certificate of inspection or report. [PL 2011, c. 448, §1 (NEW); PL 2011, c. 448, §4 (AFF).]

[PL 2011, c. 448, §1 (NEW); PL 2011, c. 448, §4 (AFF).]

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