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Good afternoon.

My name is Alphee Lambert. I was a police officer in the city of Biddeford for 25 years. During my time of service, I have seen many motor vehicles that were unsafe to be on the road.

It is my professional opinion, that if you eliminate the motor vehicle inspection program in the state of Maine, it will cause far many more problems in regards to the overall safety for drivers within this state. It is unfortunate that the policy has already been changed from inspections occurring every year now rather than every six months as previously required. That in itself has shown a hazardous increase in accidents as well as injuries resulting from this negligence.

This longer period of time between inspections has given way to well-worn tires not being replaced, car chassis are becoming rusted and not easily visible, emission controls not working properly are hampering our air quality, inadequate brakes are failing at inopportune times, all just being many examples creating generally unsafe vehicles driving along the roads of Maine.

I am asking that you reconsider the bill that will altogether eliminate vehicle inspections. This would prove to be an unwise decision regarding the safety of many Maine citizens.

I hope that my letter leaves you something to think about and I thank you for your time regarding this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Alphee Lambert