

House Bill 2774
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

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(2) the person or an employee of the person installs a tire on a motor vehicle to be used on a public street or highway;

(3) the tire is or will be subject to inspection under Section 548.051; and

(4) the person knows that the tire:

(A) has tire tread less than one-sixteenth of an inch deep;

(B) has a localized worn spot that exposes the ply or cord through the tread;

(C) has a tread or sidewall crack, cut, or snag as measured on the outside of the tire that is more than one inch long and deep enough to expose the body cords;

(D) has any visible bump, bulge, or knot apparently related to tread or sidewall separation or partial failure of the tire structure, including bead area;

(E) has been regrooved or recut below the original groove depth, except for a special regroovable tire that has extra undertread rubber for that purpose and is identified as a regroovable tire;

(F) has been repaired temporarily by the use of a blowout patch or boot;

(G) has worn tread wear indicators that contact the road in any two adjacent major grooves in the center or middle of the tire; or

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(b) An offense under this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$500.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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(b) This section does not apply to the reinstallation of a tire on a motor vehicle that had been removed from the motor vehicle.

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