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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

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**RESOLUTION:**

**DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES IN THE SENATE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, *IN AID OF LEGISLATION*, INTO THE REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL PROCESS FOR BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC (FOR HIRE) VEHICLES OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ADDRESSING THE PROLIFERATION OF SMOKE-BELCHING AND DILAPIDATED VEHICLES TO SAFEGUARD THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of the State to take measures to ensure the safety of the general public especially our motorists and commuters;

**WHEREAS**, all vehicles are required to be registered with the Land Transportation Office where emission testing and actual inspection of motor vehicles are conducted;

**WHEREAS**, the emission test is a mandatory procedure that measures pollutant emissions of engines, and as such is aimed at reducing pollutants that are detrimental to the environment with particular focus on improving the quality of the air we breathe;

**WHEREAS**, the actual inspection of motor vehicles is being required to inspect and determine, through a comprehensive checklist called the Motor Vehicle Inspection Report, if the vehicle being registered is safe and in good working condition to travel the country's thoroughfares;

**WHEREAS**, while the Land Transportation Office follows strict guidelines in the registration of new and old vehicles, smoke-belching and dilapidated vehicles are regularly seen plying the streets;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to implement rules or guidelines as to how to properly discipline and penalize erring private emission testing centers which allows smoke-belching vehicles to continue plying our streets;

**WHEREAS**, there is also a need to review as to how the Land Transportation Office conduct their motor vehicle inspection because countless dilapidated vehicles with varying degree of impairment and mutilation ranging from broken tail lights to the use of mineral water containers as makeshift gas tanks continue to roam our streets thus posing danger to the general public especially motorists and commuters;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to investigate this matter and institute legislative measures to address this recurring issue;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved to direct the appropriate committees in the Senate to conduct an inquiry, in Aid of Legislation, into the registration and renewal process for both private and public (for hire) vehicles of the Land Transportation Office with the end in view of addressing the proliferation of smoke-belching and dilapidated vehicles to safeguard the general public.

**Adopted,**

  
**MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID**  
*Senator*