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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair  
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### SB 1064 (Dahle) - Heavy-Duty Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program: testing

**Version:** April 23, 2026

**Urgency:** No

**Hearing Date:** May 11, 2026

**Policy Vote:** E.Q. 7 - 0, TRANS. 12 - 0

**Mandate:** No

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**Bill Summary:** This bill would limit the frequency of Clean Truck Check testing for all non-gasoline heavy-duty on-road motor vehicles that are considered low use, as defined, and would also require the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to adopt rules and regulations implementing the change.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

1. CARB estimates ongoing costs of \$1 million in the first year, \$750,000 in the second year, and \$100,000 annually thereafter (Truck Emissions Check Fund) in order to amend and update its existing Heavy-Duty Inspection and Maintenance regulation as well as to conduct additional and more in-depth analysis in order to account for fewer and less frequent testing submissions, which would include greater levels of staff analysis to detect fraud, identifying testing criteria needed for the extended testing timeframe, and more granular review of reported activities in order to account for and offset lost emissions reductions.

**Background:** Clean Truck Check, California's heavy-duty vehicle inspection and maintenance program, was established pursuant to SB 210 (Leyva, Chapter 298, Statutes of 2019), Clean Truck Check is a regulation to test heavy-duty vehicles' emissions control systems for proper operation, and it applies to nearly all diesel and alternative fuel heavy-duty vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating over 14,000 pounds that operate on California public roads and highways even if they are not registered in California. This includes public vehicles (federal, state, and local government); motorcoaches; transit, shuttle and school buses; hybrid vehicles; commercial vehicles; personal vehicles; California registered motorhomes; single vehicle fleets; and vehicles registered outside of California (not including motorhomes).

Clean Truck Check began its phase-in starting January 2023 and is currently being fully implemented. The program combines periodic (ranging from annually to quarterly depending on vehicle class and use) vehicle testing requirements with other emissions monitoring techniques and expanded enforcement strategies to identify vehicles in need of emissions related repairs and ensure any needed repairs are performed. According to CARB, the program provides significant reductions in smog-forming and carcinogenic toxic air pollution necessary to achieve federal air quality mandates and healthy air in California's communities. Zero-emission trucks are exempt from the Clean Truck Check program.

**Proposed Law:** This bill would decrease the frequency of "Clean Truck Check" testing for certain vehicles to once a year at most.

Specifically, AB 1064 would require Clean Truck Check testing not more frequently than annually for all non-gasoline, heavy-duty, on-road motor vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 14,000 pounds that are considered low use: It would define "low use" as a vehicle driven fewer than 1,000 miles per calendar year in California as determined through a process developed by CARB.

**Related Legislation:**

SB 210 (Leyva, Chapter 298, Statutes of 2019) directed CARB to establish the Clean Truck Check program.

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