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I own vehicle inspection stations in the Houston, Harris County area that perform vehicle inspections only. This location does no repairs and no oil changes.

One of my locations is the 3rd highest volume inspection station in Harris County. Based on its current volume of vehicles being inspected, removing the \$7.00 safety inspection fee would result in a loss of over \$10,000 dollars a month and over \$125,000 annually in Gross Revenue, which is much more than the Net Profit of this location.

Even if the inspection fee, set in 2002 of twenty-five dollars and fifty cents (\$25.50) remained unchanged, I would still sustain a loss of revenue from older vehicles and diesels that are safety only and will no longer be required to have any inspection.

While any reduction in the current \$25.50 inspection fee would be damaging to my business, it will be catastrophic for all inspection only stations doing less volume.

I ask this commission to consider the viability of the inspection only stations and increase the inspection fee to ensure the future of all that participate in the inspection program.

Thank you.