New Ohio Legislation HB 54

The effective date for this legislation is June 29th. Therefore, if your registration falls on June 29th or after, new vehicle exemptions will be for the first 6 years (vs 4) and includes non-plug-in hybrids for the first 7 years. Plug-in hybrids are already permanently exempt. Vehicle testing begins for model years 2019 for gas and diesels and 2018 for non-plug-hybrids.

If your registration falls before June 29th, those vehicles still fall under the 4-year exemption with the initial test on model year 2021 and will need to be tested. Because of the effective date of this legislation, if your registration falls on or after June 29th and you wish obtain your registration before June 29th you will need to obtain a passing E-Check certificate. If your vehicle fails and your vehicle applies to the new 6-year exemption you may want to wait until after June 29th to obtain your registration.