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STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 207

Honorable Members Twenty-first Legislature State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 207, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Interisland Vehicle Transfers."

The purpose of this bill is to eliminate the requirement that the registered owner of a vehicle being shipped between islands obtain the written consent of the vehicle's legal owner, when the registered owner is not the legal owner, before shipping the vehicle.

The statute requiring proof of ownership and of authorization to ship before a vehicle may be legally shipped to another island has been very effective in reducing the interisland shipment of stolen vehicles. The administrative convenience provided to a few individuals by this bill does not offset the potential impairment of the effectiveness of these statutes in preventing the interisland shipment of stolen vehicles.

For the foregoing reason, I am returning Senate Bill No. 207 without my approval.

Respectfully,

BENJAMIN J. CAYETAÑO Governor of Hawaii