
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL INDUSTRY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to ease the
2 interisland transportation of rental motor vehicles. Tourists,
3 from time to time, become frustrated and cancel their plans to
4 take their rental vehicle to a neighbor island by interisland
5 water carrier due to lost or misplaced documents relating to
6 their rental motor vehicle. The passage of this Act will
7 significantly reduce these problems by reducing current
8 restrictions for such documents as they apply to rental motor
9 vehicles.

10 SECTION 2. Section 286-271, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

12 "(e) This section shall not apply to:

13 (1) Any motor vehicle rental company as defined in section
14 431:9A-141 that periodically ships in quantities of
15 ten vehicles or more;

16 (2) Licensed dealers who periodically ship in quantities
17 of ten vehicles or more, or whose primary business is
18 the auction of insurance salvage vehicles; [~~or~~]

- 1 (3) ~~[Drivers]~~ Except for a lessee of a rental motor
2 vehicle under paragraph (4), drivers of vehicles
3 ~~[traveling on an interisland ferry;]~~ transported by
4 any water carrier authorized by the public utilities
5 commission to transport vehicles interisland; provided
6 that ~~[such drivers present]~~ the driver presents
7 identification ~~[of the driver]~~, a current certificate
8 of registration for the vehicle, and proof of motor
9 vehicle insurance. The interisland ~~[ferry]~~ water
10 carrier shall keep a record of transporting the
11 vehicle by recording the vehicle identification number
12 and retaining the information for three years after
13 the date of travel~~[.];~~ or
- 14 (4) A lessee of a rental motor vehicle; provided that:
- 15 (A) The rental motor vehicle is transported by any
16 water carrier authorized by the public utilities
17 commission to transport vehicles interisland;
- 18 (B) The water carrier has a written agreement with
19 the owner of the rental motor vehicle; and
- 20 (C) The water carrier records and retains the
21 information required under subsections (d) and
22 (f).

1 For purposes of this subsection, "lessee" and "rental motor
2 vehicle" have the same meanings as those terms are defined in
3 section 437D-3."

4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

Report Title:

Motor Vehicle Rental Industry; Interisland Transport

Description:

Eases documentation requirements for rental cars transported by any water carrier authorized to transport vehicles interisland by the State PUC; provided that the water carrier has a written contract with the owner of the rental car, and records and retains certain information about the vehicle and its transport.
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