

HB2297, HD2

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The Honorable J. Kalani English, Chair  
and Committee Members  
Committee on Transportation, International  
and Intergovernmental Affairs  
The Senate  
State of Hawaii  
State Capitol, Room 205  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair English and Committee Members:

Subject: H.B. No. 2297 HD2, Relating to Motor Vehicle Sun Screening Devices

The City and County of Honolulu has no objections to the intent of H.B. No. 2297 HD2 which will exempt the use of transparent sun screening materials applied to a vehicle's windshield.


In order to eliminate confusion and meet the intent of the committee report, we recommend that HD2 be further amended on page 2 line 1:

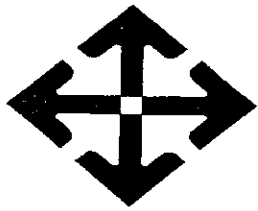
"the materials when applied to the windshield, [do not encroach upon the AS-1 portion]".

This amendment will ensure that material and transparency federal requirements for the windshield will continue to be met after the sun screening material is applied to the windshield.

The City and County of Honolulu urges your favorable action on H.B. No. 2297 HD2, as amended.

Sincerely,

  
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March 8, 2010

Testimony To: Senate Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs  
Senator J. Kalani English, Chair

Presented By: Tim Lyons  
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Subject: H.B. 2297, HD 2 – RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE SUN SCREENING DEVICES

Chair English and Members of the Committee:

I am Tim Lyons, President of the Hawaii Business League, a small business service organization. We support this bill.

This bill has been offered in order to update the law as it relates to sun screening devices often called "tinted windows". When the law was passed many years ago it specifically provided that the only part of the windshield which could have a film on it was the upper four (4) inches known as the AS-1 line. This is that small narrow strip that you often see on windshields near the top that provides the driver with at least some relief from the sun.

Now however, new technology has brought forth a clear film which effectively screens out over 50% of the heat but does nothing to reduce the light transmission that passes through the windshield. We

specifically provided years ago that there could be no treatment of the windshield because at that time there was nothing that would reduce the heat and at the same time not reduce visibility.

The Committee should know that there is really no such thing as a "clear" windshield. In other words, even from the manufacturer when your car is first purchased, the windshield will often times, just based on its thickness and angle, reduce the light transmittance by 10% or 12%. The federal standard is that at least 70% of the light should be transmittable through the windshield.

Therefore, we request your favorable adoption of the amendment that this bill proposes which allows film on the windshield, as long as it still meets the federal minimum standards.

Thank you.