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February 24, 2014
2:10 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 325

**H.B. 2352, H.D. 1
RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTIONS**

House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

The Department of Transportation supports the original Administration bill as it was submitted in H.B. 2352 which would expand the authority of the Director of Transportation over required motor vehicle and motor carrier vehicle inspections in the State.

However, we do understand the concerns that were raised over the Director's discretion to raise fees. Therefore, we strongly request HRS 286-209 (b) and (c) be amended as follows:

§286-209 Safety inspection of motor carrier vehicles. ...

(b) The director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 for the administration and enforcement of motor carrier vehicle safety inspections, the issuance of certificates of safety inspection, the affixing of motor carrier vehicle safety inspection decals, and the acceptance of certificates of safety inspection issued in other jurisdictions.

(c) The ~~director~~ vendor of the electronic inspection program shall collect a fee of ~~[\$1.50]~~ \$1.69 to cover the cost of the electronic safety inspection program for each motor carrier vehicle safety inspection decal issued by motor carrier vehicle inspection stations. ~~[All moneys collected shall be paid into the state highway fund.]~~

The modifications of the fees will give the vendor of the electronic safety inspection program the ability to be paid their fees as agreed to in their contract with the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony.

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, DEPARTMENT OF CUSTOMER SERVICES
Monday, February 24, 2014, 2:10 p.m., Conference Room 325

HOUSE Bill 2352 HD1, "RELATING TO Motor Vehicle Inspections"
Position: Comments

TO: The Honorable Angus L. K. McKelvey, Chair
and Members of the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

The City and County of Honolulu has concerns regarding H.B. 2352 HD1 which provides for several amendments to the vehicle inspection statutes but excludes amendments to the statutes relating to the inspection of motor carrier vehicles and the authority of the Director of Transportation to establish rules for implementation of the program.

As the manufacturing technologies of motor vehicle and motor carriers advance, there will be subsequent changes to federal safety regulations. It is imperative that the Director of Transportation retain the authority to amend the inspection procedures as deemed necessary.

The City and County of Honolulu recommends that the contents of H.B. 2352 HD1 be replaced with the original content of H.B. 2352.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Preston P. H. K. Ko", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Preston P. H. K. Ko
Acting Licensing Administrator

Deliver 20 copies to Room 314 State Capitol
Hearing Date: Monday, February 24, 2014 at 2:10 pm

To Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce:

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Representative Cynthia Thielen

Testimony **OPPOSING** HB2352, HD1

Aloha Chair and Members:

I'd like to respectfully oppose the below section of this bill. Currently, if a safety inspection sticker is stolen from one's vehicle, a person must take time off of work to stand in line at the DMV and has to pay the replacement charge for obtaining a new sticker. If the below change is implemented, the person who was already victimized once by having their safety check sticker stolen gets to be **re-victimized** as they will be the one who has to spend more time and money to get the safety sticker replaced, and there is no adverse impact to the person who stole the safety sticker.

I urge the committee to ask the Department of Transportation to combat the problem of stolen safety stickers on the front end, punishing those who steal the stickers, and not those law-abiding citizens who will have to pay—literally—for the crimes that are committed against them.

The above are the certainly unintended consequences to the seemingly innocent "housekeeping" changes suggested below.

Unfortunately those of us who live in densely populated areas of Oahu and who have to utilize street parking have had our safety inspection stickers stolen all too frequently.

OPPOSING REMOVAL OF THE BELOW FROM THE CURRENT HRS:

~~"[An inspection sticker which has been lost, stolen, or destroyed shall be replaced without reinspection by the inspection station that issued the original inspection sticker upon presentation of the vehicle's current certificate of inspection; provided that the current certificate of inspection and inspection sticker shall not have expired at the time the replacement is requested. The director shall adopt rules to determine the fee for replacement of lost, stolen, or destroyed inspection stickers.]"~~

Thank you for your time and consideration, a concerned citizen and her neighbors.