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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTIONS.

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

1           SECTION 1. There is a need to upgrade the methods and  
2 procedures of state inspections because the current system is  
3 inefficient in that legislation is required every time an  
4 inspection fee is amended. The purpose of this Act is to  
5 provide the director of transportation greater authority over  
6 the motor carrier inspection program so that the cost to a  
7 vehicle owner for an inspection, the fees collected from  
8 inspection stations, and the administration of the program can  
9 be changed by amending administrative rules pursuant to chapter  
10 91.

11           This Act also reduces the amount of insurance information  
12 required on an inspection certificate. This will reduce data  
13 entry requirements for inspectors without degrading the function  
14 of checking insurance cards. Digital images of the cards will  
15 be stored for easy retrieval should a need for additional  
16 information arise.



1 This Act also allows for the replacement of faded  
2 inspection stickers, in addition to lost, stolen, or destroyed  
3 inspection stickers, without reinspection.

4 SECTION 2. Section 286-26, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

6 "(e) Upon application for a certificate of inspection to  
7 be issued for a vehicle, an inspection as prescribed by the  
8 director under subsection (g) shall be conducted on the vehicle,  
9 and if the vehicle is found to be in [~~a safe operating~~  
10 ~~condition,~~] compliance with the inspection requirements, a  
11 certificate of inspection shall be issued upon payment of a fee  
12 to be determined by the director. The certificate shall state  
13 the [~~effective date, the termination date, the name of the~~  
14 ~~issuing insurance carrier, and the policy number of] insurance  
15 expiration date shown on the motor vehicle insurance  
16 identification card for the inspected motor vehicle as specified  
17 by section 431:10C-107, or a certificate of self-insurance  
18 issued by the state insurance commissioner, or state the  
19 information contained in the proof of insurance card as  
20 specified by section 431:10G-106. A validation sticker,  
21 authorized by the director, shall be affixed to the vehicle at  
22 the time a certificate of inspection is issued. An inspection~~



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

10 SECTION 3. Section 286-209, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 "**§286-209 Safety inspection of motor carrier vehicles.**

13 (a) Motor carrier vehicles, including but not limited to  
14 trucks, truck-tractors, semitrailers, trailers, or pole  
15 trailers, having a gross vehicle weight rating of more than ten  
16 thousand pounds, motor carrier vehicles having a gross vehicle  
17 weight rating of ten thousand pounds or less which transport  
18 passengers in the furtherance of a commercial enterprise,  
19 including car rental transport vehicles, and motor carrier  
20 vehicles used in transporting material found by the United  
21 States Secretary of Transportation to be hazardous under 49  
22 U.S.C. section 5103 and transported in a quantity requiring



1 placarding under 49 C.F.R., subtitle B, chapter I, subchapter C,  
2 shall be inspected and certified annually.

3 (b) The director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91  
4 for the administration and enforcement of motor carrier vehicle  
5 [safety] inspections, including the maximum cost to vehicle  
6 owners, fees collected from the stations, the issuance of  
7 certificates of safety inspection, the affixing of motor carrier  
8 vehicle safety inspection decals, and the acceptance of  
9 certificates of safety inspection issued in other jurisdictions.

10 (c) ~~[The director shall collect a fee of \$1.50 for each~~  
11 ~~motor carrier vehicle safety inspection decal issued by motor~~  
12 ~~carrier vehicle inspection stations.]~~ All moneys ~~[collected]~~  
13 received by the department of transportation from fees collected  
14 pursuant to this section shall be ~~[paid]~~ deposited into the  
15 state highway fund.

16 ~~[(d) A fee of no more than \$12 shall be charged by a motor~~  
17 ~~carrier inspection station for each safety inspection performed.~~

18 ~~(e)]~~ (d) For the purposes of this section, "car rental  
19 transport vehicles" means motor carrier vehicles used to  
20 transport customers to or from car rental sites."



1 SECTION 4. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
3 begun, before its effective date.

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

6 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



**Report Title:**

Motor Vehicle Inspections; Motor Carrier Vehicle Inspections

**Description:**

Expands the authority of the director of transportation over required motor vehicle and motor carrier vehicle inspections in the State. (SB2902 HD2)

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