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July 9, 2019

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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

I am transmitting herewith HB323 HD1 SD1 CD1, without my approval and with the statement of objections relating to the measure.

HB323 HD1 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION.

Sincerely,

DAVID Y<del>. IGE</del>

Governor, State of Hawai'i

# EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU July 9, 2019

#### STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 323

Honorable Members Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 323, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Registration."

The purpose of this bill is to classify certain former military vehicles as special interest vehicles and enable owners of former military vehicles to apply for registration of the motor vehicle with the director of finance of the county in which the former military vehicle resides.

This bill is objectionable as it dramatically changes the purpose by circumventing the manufacturer's certification requirement of Section 286-42(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which minimizes the number of uncertified vehicles on Hawaii roads.

The special interest vehicle law was implemented to accommodate hobbyists who spend significant amounts of money and time modifying their vehicles. The objective was to make it possible for these hobbyists to show off the products of their labors.

Military vehicles are not the product of hobbyists and they were not manufactured for use on our public roads. The State of Hawaii requires vehicles to be in compliance with all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards as of the date of manufacture. In addition the emissions of these military vehicles do not meet Federal Clean Air Act.

Federal guidance ensures that Hawaii's inventory of registered vehicles meet certain safety standards that help keep our roads safer and environmentally friendly for Hawaii's residents and visitors.

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For the foregoing reasons, I am returning House Bill No. 323 without my approval.

Respectfully,

DAVIDY. IGE

Governor of Hawai'i

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2019 STATE OF HAWAII

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "§286- Special interest vehicles; former military
- 5 vehicles. (a) Any person who is the owner of a former military
- 6 vehicle may apply for registration with the director of finance
- 7 of the county in which the former military vehicle is located.
- 8 (b) A former military vehicle may be used as other
- 9 vehicles of the same type, including to transport the owner's
- 10 property where the transportation is in furtherance of the
- 11 owner's primary business. It may also be used to transport
- 12 passengers without charge where the transportation is in
- 13 furtherance of the owner's primary business; provided that
- 14 transportation is directly to and from the owner's place of
- 15 business.
- (c) A former military vehicle shall not:

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1	(1)	Be used for the transportation of persons for hire or
2		the transportation of property, as those terms are
3		defined in section 271-4; or
4	(2)	Carry material weighing more than five hundred pounds,
5	1	not including the weight of a mounted camper, lid, or
6		cap; the weight of a trailer or load drawn by the
7		former military vehicle; or the weight of any persons
8		riding within the driver's compartment.
9	(d)	As used in this section, "former military vehicle"
10	means any	of the following vehicles, if the vehicle is at least
11	twenty-fi	ve years old:
12	(1)	A high-mobility, all-terrain, four-wheel or six-wheel
13		drive vehicle originally manufactured for military use
14		and commonly known by the trade name "Pinzgauer";
15	(2)	A vehicle commonly known as a "Kaiser Jeep M715";
16	(3)	A high-mobility, multipurpose wheeled vehicle
17		originally manufactured for military use and commonly
18		known as a "Humvee"; or
19	(4)	A six-wheel drive utility vehicle originally
20		manufactured for military use, commonly known as a
21		"DUKW" or "Duck"."

- 1 SECTION 2. Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending the definition of "special interest vehicle"
- 3 to read as follows:
- 4 ""Special interest vehicle" means a vehicle of any age
- 5 that, because of its significance, is being collected,
- 6 preserved, restored, or maintained by a collector. The term
- 7 includes a street rod vehicle and a street rod replica vehicle,
- 8 as those terms are defined in section 286-26.5; a vehicle
- 9 manufactured before 1968; [and] a vehicle manufactured after
- 10 1967 to resemble a vehicle manufactured before 1968[-]; and a
- 11 former military vehicle, as defined in section 286- ."
- 12 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2020.

APPROVED this

day of

, 2019

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

#### THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

#### THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 30, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2019.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Sena