

Testimony of Ku'uhaku Park  
On Behalf of Matson  
Support of HB1378  
Before the Senate Committee on Transportation  
February 6, 2019

Dear Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Hashimoto, and Members of the Committee on Transportation,

Matson strongly supports HB1378, Relating to Transportation.

A shipping container chassis is a wheeled frame that is designed to carry a shipping container over the road. It is a simple device composed of a steel frame, tires, brakes, and a lighting system. Typically, a container is loaded to a chassis and then hooked up to a truck, which delivers the container. Matson owns the chassis but does not own the truck that hauls the container and the chassis.

Currently, owners of shipping container chassis must keep the original copy of the chassis registration with the chassis. Chassis do not contain compartments that allow for storage of registration documents. In addition, it is unfeasible to keep the original copy of the chassis registration in a truck because Matson does not assign specific shipping container chassis to specific trucks to ensure containers are able to move in the most efficient manner. While Matson has tried to secure the original copies to the chassis, it is very impractical because of the chassis design.

This measure enables owners of the chassis to keep the original copy of the chassis registration in the principal place of business for inspection. This provision is similar to allowing rental car companies to keep the original copy of the motor vehicle registration available for inspection at the principal place of business.

Thank you for considering this testimony in strong support.



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**TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
ON BILL 1378 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION**

Aloha Chair Aquino and committee members. I am Gareth Sakakida Managing Director of the Hawaii Transportation Association (HTA) with over 375 members involved with the commercial ground transportation industry.

HTA supports this bill.

Shipping containers live a brutal life. They strike, and are struck by, various heavy objects and equipment while doing their job. They are constantly exposed to weathering like sea salt spray, blazing sun, and driving rain.

Whatever container that houses its' vehicle registration shares the same fates and conditions. It is a perilous existence and a valuable legal document should not be required to face such exposures.

Mahalo.