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**H.C.R. 156 & H.R. 135
RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION; BIENNIAL BASIS**

House Committee on Transportation

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) **opposes H.C.R. 156 & H.R. 135**, which requests the Department of Transportation to conduct a study on the impact of allowing motor vehicle owners to pay their motor vehicle registration and associated taxes and fees biennially.

The HDOT is concerned about the additional cost to those who opt to pay motor vehicle registration twice a year. They will have to pay the transaction fees twice to use the online/kiosk registration services. The county driver licensing offices will also incur costs to upgrade their online and kiosk systems to track the biennial payments. Additionally, the counties would incur additional costs for printing two renewal notices, two registration decals and postage to send two notices.

For those who need to pay in-person, this will increase the congestion at the driver licensing offices and Satellite City Halls.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.