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A Bill for an Act Relating to Defacing of Serial Numbers of Motor Vehicles and Amending Chapter 160 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955.

*Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 160 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, relating to motor vehicles is hereby amended in the following respects:

a. By amending the second and third lines of section 160-1, relating to the definition of "Treasurer" or "county treasurer," to read as follows:

" 'Treasurer' or 'county treasurer' means the treasurer or director of finance of each county and deputies."

b. By adding thereto, the following new sections to be numbered and to read as follows:

**"Sec. 160-4.1. Defacing serial numbers, etc., of motor vehicles.** It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully deface, destroy or alter the serial number, a component part number, or identification mark of any vehicle, so placed or stamped on any vehicle by the manufacturer for the purpose of identifying said vehicle or its component parts, nor shall any person place or stamp any serial, motor, or other number or mark upon a vehicle, except one assigned thereto by the treasurer.

This section does not prohibit the restoration by an owner of an original motor, or other mark or number, when the restoration is authorized in writing by the treasurer, nor prevent any manufacturer from placing in the ordinary course of business, numbers or marks upon new motor vehicles or new parts thereof."

**"Sec. 160-4.2. Unlawful to possess certain motor vehicles, parts, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to possess a motor vehicle, a motor block, or any part thereof, knowing that the motor number, serial number, or manufacturer's number, placed on same by the manufacturer for the purpose of identification, has been changed, altered, erased, or mutilated, for the purpose of changing the identity of said

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motor vehicle, motor, motor block, or any part thereof.”

c. By repealing section 160-4, relating to new motor vehicle number.

**SECTION 2.** This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1965.  
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