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H.B. NO. 2220

A Bill for an Act Relating to Out-Of-State Vehicle Permit.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 286-54, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“**§286-54 [Nonresidents] Out-of-state vehicle permit.** [A nonresident] The owner of a motor vehicle which has been duly registered for the current year in [the] another state or country [of which the nonresident owner is a resident] and in accordance with the laws thereof, may, in lieu of registering the vehicle as otherwise required by this part, apply to the director of finance for the registration thereof as provided in this section.

[A nonresident] The owner shall, within ten days after commencing to operate the vehicle or causing or permitting it to be operated within the State, apply to the director of finance for the registration thereof upon the appropriate official form stating therein the name and home address of the owner and the temporary address, if any, of the owner while within the State, the registration number of the vehicle as assigned thereto [in] by the state or country [in which the owner is a resident], together with such description of the motor vehicle as may be called for in the form and such other statements of facts as may be required by the director of finance.

The director of finance shall file every application received and register the vehicle therein described [and the owner thereof in suitable books or on index cards,] and shall issue to the owner a registration certificate of a distinctive form containing the date of its issue, a brief description of the vehicle, and a statement that the owner has procured registration of the vehicle [as a nonresident].

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No [nonresident] owner of a motor vehicle which has been duly registered for the current year in [the] another state or country [of which the nonresident owner is a resident] shall operate any such vehicle or cause or permit to be operated upon the public highways, either before or while it is registered under this section, unless there is at all times displayed thereon the current registration number plates assigned to the vehicle by the other state or country [of which the owner is a resident], nor unless the certificate of registration is kept within the vehicle for which it is registered, or in the event the vehicle is a motorcycle, carry such certificate of registration in a convenient receptacle attached to the vehicle. The director of finance shall also furnish the owner with an emblem bearing a serial number with the words "VEHICLE PERMIT" and the date of expiration of such emblem to be placed on the rear bumper in plain sight of such vehicle, or when issued to a motorcycle emblem to be placed on rear fender.

Every certificate of registration issued pursuant to this section shall be valid for the unexpired portion of the current license number plates assigned to the vehicle in accordance with the law of the other state or country [of which the owner is a resident]; provided that in no case shall such a certificate be issued to exceed a twelve month period.

Whenever a vehicle is registered under this section, the sum of \$5 shall be assessed against the owner of the vehicle to defray the administrative costs incurred by the county. Subsequent changes in the amount of the administrative costs shall be established by the county's legislative body."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 13, 1988.)