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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WINDSHIELD TINTING.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that darker tints on car  
2 windows have a measurable impact on reducing heat trapped in a  
3 car's interior. The legislature additionally finds that the  
4 current light transmittance limit of thirty-five per cent for  
5 glazing on car windows is inadequate to address the increased  
6 temperatures caused by climate change.

7           The purpose of this Act is to lower the minimum light  
8 transmittance levels permitted on car window glazing materials  
9 from thirty-five per cent to twenty per cent.

10          SECTION 2. Section 291-21.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
11 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

12          "(d) This section shall not apply to:

13           (1) Rearview mirrors;

14           (2) Adjustable nontransparent sun visors which are mounted  
15           forward of the side windows and are not attached to  
16           the glazing material;



- 1           (3) Signs, stickers, or other materials which are  
2           displayed in a seven-inch square in the lower corner  
3           of the windshield farthest removed from the driver or  
4           signs, stickers, or other materials which are  
5           displayed in a five-inch square in the lower corner of  
6           the windshield nearest the driver;
- 7           (4) Rear trunk lid handle or hinges;
- 8           (5) Window wipers and window wiper motors;
- 9           (6) Transparent sun screening film materials which are  
10          installed, affixed, or applied along the top edge of  
11          the windshield so long as such materials do not  
12          encroach upon the AS-1 portion of the windshield as  
13          provided by Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 205  
14          or no lower than four inches below the top of the  
15          windshield, when measured from the middle point of the  
16          bottom edge of the top windshield moulding if no AS-1  
17          markings can be found in the left or right upper  
18          margin of the windshield;
- 19          (7) Sun screening devices for front side wing vents and  
20          windows which, when used in conjunction with the  
21          glazing material have a light transmittance of no less



1 than [~~thirty-five~~] twenty per cent plus or minus six  
2 per cent;

3 (8) Sun screening devices for side windows necessary for  
4 driving visibility which are to the rear of the driver  
5 and for rear windows necessary for driving visibility  
6 which, when used in conjunction with the glazing  
7 material, have a light transmittance of no less than  
8 [~~thirty-five~~] twenty per cent plus or minus six per  
9 cent;

10 (9) Side windows which are to the rear of the driver and  
11 rear windows on vans, minivans, trucks, or buses;  
12 provided that the vehicles are equipped with rearview  
13 mirrors on both sides;

14 (10) Privacy drapes, curtains, or blinds, or any  
15 combination, installed on the interior of motor homes;  
16 or

17 (11) Transparent sun screening materials, when applied to  
18 the AS-1 portion of the windshield, which meets the  
19 requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard  
20 205."



1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



**Report Title:**

Motor Vehicles; Window Glazing; Levels

**Description:**

Lowers the level of light transmittance allowed on sun screening glazing on motor vehicle windows from thirty-five per cent to twenty per cent. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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