STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii , 2025

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RE: H.B. No. 1301 H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 1301 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Repeal the Public Utilities Commission's authority to regulate ratemaking for motor carriers;
- (2) Apply the existing framework regulating motor carriers onto transportation network companies; and
- (3) Repeal the chapter regulating transportation network companies.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Roberts Hawaii, Inc. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Uber; Lyft Inc.; and Hawaii Association for Justice. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and Public Utilities Commission.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii is the only state in the United States regulating motor carriers. In 1995, the Interstate



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Commerce Commission Termination Act of 1995 extended Hawaii's exemption from the preemption of states' rights to govern the transportation of freight, preserving Hawaii's full jurisdiction over intrastate motor carriers of passengers and property. Although Hawaii's law provides exemptions, your Committee believes that the law needs to be updated and modernized to recognize and accommodate for advancements in technology.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- Reinstating the Public Utilities Commission's authority to regulate ratemaking for motor carriers;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1301, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1301, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation,

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DARIUS KILA, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1301 FRN, CPC, FIN Date: 1/30/25				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) 				
TRN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. KILA, Darius K. (C)				
2. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada (VC)				
3. COCHRAN, Elle				
4. EVSLIN, Luke A.				
5. KITAGAWA, Lisa				the state
6. LA CHICA, Trish				
7. MIYAKE, Tyson K.				
8. MURAOKA, Christopher L.				
9. PIERICK, Elijah	\checkmark			
TOTAL (9)	1			2
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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