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February 7, 2023
10:30 A.M.
State Capitol, Teleconference

H.B. 739
RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

House Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.B. 739, which requires the DOT to amend its administrative rules to repeal any provisions requiring the furnishing of evidence of registration as a condition precedent to receiving a certificate of inspection.

Repealing this provision would reduce the inconvenience for the public.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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February 6, 2023

The Honorable Chris Todd, Chair
The Honorable Darius K. Kila, Vice Chair
And Members of the Committee on Transportation
State Capitol, Conference Room 312
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Todd, Vice Chair Kila, and Members of the Committee on Transportation,

SUBJECT: H.B. 739 - Relating To Motor Vehicle Safety Inspections
HEARING: Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

The City and County of Honolulu, Department of Customer Services (CSD) supports this bill with amendments.

Pursuant to Section 6-402 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, CSD administers the motor vehicle registration program for the island of Oahu.

While CSD supports the intent of the bill, CSD respectfully requests that the Committee amend the bill as follows: (1) the bill be limited to only those situations where both the motor vehicle's registration and safety check are expired and (2) the owner of the motor vehicle be allowed to first register the vehicle without a safety inspection certificate, then upon the registration of the vehicle, a safety inspection certificate may be obtained.

On the rare occasion where the motor vehicle's registration and safety inspection certification are both expired, the priority should be the registration of the motor vehicle. On Oahu, the motor vehicle registration fee generates is several hundred dollars¹ which is deposited in the City's highway fund. This fund is used among other things to (1) design, construct, and repair public roads, highways, and bikeways; (2) installation,

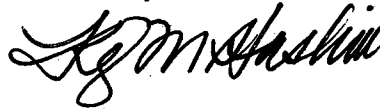
¹ Per section 15A-3.1 of the Revised Ordinances of the City and County of Honolulu (2022), motor vehicles designed primarily for the purpose of carrying passengers is taxed at a rate of \$0.07 per net pound of net weight.

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maintenance, and repairs of street lights; design, construction, and (3) preservation of safety on our roadways.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of H.B. No. 739 with amendments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kimberly M. Hashiro". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kimberly M. Hashiro
Director