

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

June 20, 2003

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 993

Honorable Members  
Twenty-Second Legislature  
State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 993, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Reconstructed Vehicles."

The purpose of this bill is to make the state law relating to reconstructed vehicles applicable beginning on July 1, 2004, in counties with a population of less than 500,000, unless a county decides to adopt ordinances regulating reconstructed vehicles.

Currently, the City and County of Honolulu is the only county administering the Director of Transportation's rules relating to the inspection and certification of reconstructed vehicles. Thus, a reconstructed vehicle that may be operating in the counties of Maui, Kauai, and Hawaii may not be legally operated in the City and County of Honolulu unless it is inspected and certified by Honolulu, and a reconstructed vehicle permit is obtained.

This bill is objectionable because it would force counties to either enact their own ordinances regarding the specifications and requirements governing reconstructed vehicles by July 1, 2004, or be subject to state provisions. Counties should be able to choose whether to regulate reconstructed vehicles, and if they do, have the ability to structure the regulation to meet their own particular needs.

The mayors of all four counties requested that I veto this bill.

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For the foregoing reasons, I am returning House Bill  
No. 993 without my approval.

Respectfully,

LINDA LINGLE  
Governor of Hawaii

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of the Governor's plan to return with the Governor's objections any bill presented to the Governor less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to the Governor after adjournment sine die of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 993, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Reconstructed Vehicles," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 993 is unacceptable to the Governor of the State of Hawaii;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawaii, do hereby issue this proclamation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, giving notice of my plan to return House Bill No. 993 with my objections thereon to the Legislature as provided by said Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution.

DONE at the State Capitol, Honolulu,  
State of Hawaii, this 20th day  
of June, 2003.



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LINDA LINGLE  
Governor of Hawaii