

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1360

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 22, 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1287
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred S.B. No. 1287, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to simplify the inspection and certification of motor carrier vehicles by requiring that inspections and certifications take place once every 12 months.

The Department of Transportation, Department of Customer Services of the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii Transportation Association, Alexander & Baldwin, Inc., Matson Navigation Company, and Horizon Lines, LLC, testified in support of this bill.

Currently, all commercial motor vehicles have their annual safety inspections conducted during the month in which the vehicle's certificate of motor vehicle registration is issued. Since many of the chassis used by shipping companies are used nationwide and are often on the mainland or in the possession of a customer during the month the vehicle's registration is due, obtaining safety inspections of these vehicles becomes difficult. Providing for safety inspections on these vehicles to occur once every 12 months gives shipping companies flexibility while maintaining safety standards.



However, your Committee notes that language specifying that certifications and inspections take place once every 12 months may be misinterpreted to mean a certification and inspection must take place on a date exactly 12 months from the previous inspection. Accordingly, your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that the inspection and certification of motor carrier vehicles take place once annually; and
- (2) Making the applicability of these amended certification and inspection procedures prospective by changing the effective date to January 1, 2008.

Technical, nonsubstantive amendments were also made for 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 S.B. No. 1287, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1287, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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




JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

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| Bill/Resolution No.: SB 1287 SD 1 (SSCR633) | | Date: MARCH 14, 2007 | | |
| Committee Referral: TRN, CPC | | <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration | | | | |
| TRN Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. SOUKI, Joseph M. (C) | / | | | |
| 2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC) | / | | | |
| 3. EVANS, Cindy | / | | | |
| 4. HAR, Sharon E. | / | | | / |
| 5. LEE, Marilyn B. | / | | | / |
| 6. LUKE, Sylvia | / | | | / |
| 7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. | / | | | / |
| 8. NAKASONE, Bob | / | | | / |
| 9. SONSON, Alex M. | / | | | / |
| 10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. | / | | | / |
| 11. TAKUMI, Roy M. | / | | | / |
| 12. MEYER, Colleen Rose | | | | / |
| 13. PINE, Kymberly Marcos | | | | / |
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| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
|  Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | | |
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