STAND. COM. REP. NO. 917

Honolulu, Hawaii

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H.B. No. 267

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Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2009 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 267, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL INDUSTRY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exempt a lessee of a rental motor vehicle from the proof of ownership requirement applicable to the interisland shipping of vehicles.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Catrala-Hawaii; Avis Rent A Car; Budget Rent A Car; The Hertz Corporation; Enterprise Rent A Car; Alamo Rent A Car; Young Brothers, Limited; and National Car Rental. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

This measure provides that a lessee is exempt if:

- (1) The rental motor vehicle is transported by any water carrier authorized by the Public Utilities Commission to transport vehicles interisland;
- (2) The water carrier has a written agreement with the owner of the rental motor vehicle; and

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(3) The water carrier records and retains certain required information.

Your Committee finds that this measure would make it easier for tourists and rental car companies to transport rental cars on interisland water carriers. Your Committee further finds that each rental car company will have the flexibility to streamline and work out the paper requirements with such carriers. This measure should assist in avoiding potential problems and unnecessary delays.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying the language for specificity; and
- (2) Changing "interisland ferry" to "water carrier" to extend the exemption from the requirements of section 286-271, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to vehicle ownership and other information required from a shipper for the interisland shipping of vehicles, to the shipping of rental motor vehicles by all water carriers regulated by the Public Utilities Commission.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 267, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 267, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs,

J. KALANI ENGLISH Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

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