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Honorable Joseph Souki, Chair House Committee on Transportation Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 309, 8:30 a.m. 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

TESTIMONY ON H.B. 2022 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES

Aloha, Chair Souki and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to strongly support House Bill 2022, RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES, which is a housekeeping measure.

H.B. 2022 deletes obsolete language that references due dates for annual motor vehicle registration fees and weight taxes. The language is left from a time when all vehicle registrations became due on January 1st of each year. Vehicle registrations and related tax payment due dates are now staggered throughout the year to provide an even and manageable workload for registration staff.

The obsolete language has created confusion for some members of the public, and we find that correcting the language would benefit both the public and vehicle registration staff.

We urge you to approve H.B. 2022.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,

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TESTIMONY ON
H.B. 2020 RELATING TO COUNTIES
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Aloha, Chair Souki and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to strongly support H.B. 2020, which expands the ability of the counties to enforce various motor vehicle and traffic laws on private streets and roads.

Currently the counties are only authorized to enforce on private streets and roads:

- Chapter 286, HRS, relating to highway safety (laws relating to safety inspection, vehicle registration driver licensing); and
- Chapter 291C, HRS, the Statewide Traffic Code (laws relating to accidents, traffic signs and signals, driving on roadways and highways, rights-of-way, pedestrians, stops, vehicle speed, unattended vehicles, etc.)

An officer that discovers violations of other laws, such as laws relating to reckless driving, driving without a license, and motor vehicle insurance, for example, is not authorized under the current law to enforce those laws on private streets and roads.

H.B. 2020 authorizes the counties to enforce laws relating to:

- County vehicular tax (Chapter 249)
- Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act (Chapter 287), requiring proof of satisfactory security in lieu of evidence of insurance;
- Traffic violations (Chapter 291), laws relating to reckless driving, consumption of liquor/open container, child car seats, driving without license, equipment violations;
- Use of intoxicants while operating a vehicle (Chapter 291E)
- Odometers (Chapter 486, Part III)

• Motor vehicle insurance (Chapter 431, Article 10C).

Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,

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