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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the department of
- 2 transportation has authority under section 261-7, Hawaii Revised
- Statutes, to establish terminal rental rates for air-carriers. 3
- The legislature further finds that turbo propeller air-4
- carriers serve vital rural airports in the State. The high 5
- 6 operational costs for these air-carriers, which include terminal
- rental rates, may make it difficult for turbo propeller air-7
- carriers to continue servicing rural airports. If turbo 8
- 9 propeller air-carriers discontinue or reduce their service
- 10 because of high operational costs, it will likely impede air
- 11 transportation services to the rural areas of our State.
- 12 The purpose of this Act is to require the department of
- 13 transportation to lower the current terminal rental rate for
- 14 turbo propeller interisland air carriers.
- 15 SECTION 2. (a) The department of transportation shall
- 16 reduce the terminal rental rate for turbo propeller interisland
- 17 air carriers in effect as of the effective date of this Act by
- 18 per square feet.

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- 1 (b) For purposes of this Act:
- 2 "Turbo propeller airplane" means an aircraft with a
- 3 turbojet engine used to drive an external propeller.
- 4 "Turbo propeller interisland air carrier" means a business,
- 5 person, or entity that owns or operates one or more turbo
- 6 propeller airplanes to transport or convey baggage, passengers,
- 7 or goods between the islands of this State for a fee.
- 8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

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Report Title:

Transportation; Terminal Rental Rates; Propeller Airplane

Description:

Requires the department of transportation to reduce terminal rental rates for turbo propeller air carriers.

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