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### March 19, 2014 11:30 a.m. State Capitol, Room 309

### S.B. 2902, S.D. 1 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTIONS

## House Committee(s) on Transportation & Consumer Protection and Commerce

The Department of Transportation **supports** this Administration Bill which expands the authority of the Director of Transportation for required motor vehicle and motor carrier vehicle inspections in the State. This bill will allow the Director to make changes to the inspection programs by administrative rules rather than legislation. This will be a more efficient means of making changes while still allowing for public input. The fee for noncommercial vehicles is set by administrative rules, making it possible to implement an electronic inspection program for those vehicles. However, due to an inability to set a fee, the electronic program for commercial vehicles is being delayed.

This bill also deletes all of the insurance information required to be placed on an inspection certificate except for the expiration date. With the implementation of an electronic inspection form program, digital images of insurance cards can be made and stored by inspection stations. The image can easily be retrieved if an inspector is suspected of not checking the card or accepting a fraudulent card. Putting only the expiration date on the inspection certificate will minimize the data entry required by inspectors while providing the most important data on the certificate.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony.

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# SENATE Bill 2902 SD1, "RELATING TO Motor Vehicle Inspections" Position: Support

TO: The Honorable Ryan I. Yamane, Chair and Members of the Committee on Transportation

> The Honorable Angus L. K. McKelvey, Chair and Members of the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

The City and County of Honolulu agrees with the intent and purpose of S.B. 2902 SD1 which provides for several amendments to the vehicle inspection statutes.

The City and County of Honolulu recommends your favorable consideration to S.D. No. 2902 SD1.

Sincerely,

Preston P. H. K. Ko Acting Licensing Administrator



March 19, 2014

### TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEES ON TRANSPORTATION, AND ON CONSUMER PROTECTION ON SB 2902 SD1 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTIONS

Thank you Chair Yamane, Chair McKelvey, and committee members. I am Gareth Sakakida, Managing Director of the Hawaii Transportation Association (HTA) with over 400 transportation related members throughout the state of Hawaii.

HTA supports this bill to add flexibility and expediency to the vehicle inspection program.

Thank you.



HADA testimony with COMMENTS on SB2902, SD1 Relating to Motor Vehicle Inspections

#### Presented to the House Committee on Transportation and the House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

At the joint-committee hearing held 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 19, 2014 in Conference Room 325, Hawaii State Capitol

by the Members of the Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association Hawaii's franchised new car dealers

Chairs Yamane and McKelvey, vice chairs Takayama and Kawakami, and members of the committees,

I'm David Rolf, representing the members of the Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association— Hawaii's franchised new car dealers.

All 70 HADA new car dealerships are participants in the new on-line Safety Check program recently implemented by the Hawaii State Department of Transportation.

The bill language of SB 2902, SD1 deletes statute language that permits replacement of a lost, stolen, or destroyed safety sticker without re-inspection by the station that originally issued the sticker.

This was an initial concern because the safety stickers have been frequently stolen from cars on dealership lots, and requiring a dealer to re-inspect after this occurs would be problematic. We note, however, that the language relating to replacement of the sticker without re-inspection remains in the administrative rules, so that allays that concern. Dealers would like to see this convenient sticker replacement provision remain in place.

<u>Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 19 Ch. 133.2-25</u> "Replacement of lost, stolen, or destroyed stickers. (a) Inspection stickers which have been lost, stolen, or destroyed shall be replaced without reinspection by the inspection station that issued the original inspection certificate and sticker provided that the current certificate of inspection shall not have expired at the time replacement is requested."

Thank you for offering us the opportunity to offer comments at the committee hearing. These follow-up written comments are submitted for the record.

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