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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CORRECT THE
DEFECTS OF THE VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION DECALS AND TO
DEVELOP PROTOCOLS THAT WILL ENSURE QUALITY CONTROL
STANDARDS OF ITS PROGRAMS.

1 WHEREAS, chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires an
2 annual vehicle safety inspection; and

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4 WHEREAS, annual vehicle safety inspections, also known as
5 safety checks, are necessary to ensure that vehicles are safe
6 for operation on our roads; and

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8 WHEREAS, a vehicle inspection certificate is issued and a
9 vehicle safety inspection decal is affixed to a vehicle that has
10 passed a safety inspection; and

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12 WHEREAS, a vehicle safety inspection decal is affixed to
13 the bumper of a vehicle, in plain sight, and lists the vehicle
14 safety inspection expiration date; and

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16 WHEREAS, law enforcement may issue a ticket for a missing,
17 altered, or expired vehicle safety inspection decal; and

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19 WHEREAS, the current vehicle safety inspection decals that
20 were approved for use by the Department of Transportation can
21 easily be altered by using common items like acetone-based nail
22 polish remover; and

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24 WHEREAS, the ability to alter vehicle safety inspection
25 decals allows individuals to change or erase expiration dates
26 and makes it difficult for law enforcement to enforce vehicle
27 safety inspections; and

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29 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation contracted with
30 Parsons Environment & Infrastructure Group Inc. to develop the
31 vehicle safety inspection decals; and



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2 WHEREAS, despite the Department of Transportation having
3 the authority to enforce quality control standards, the
4 Department failed to properly develop or implement a procedure
5 to ensure that quality control standards from any contractors
6 were satisfied; now, therefore,

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8 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh
9 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014, the
10 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
11 Transportation is requested to take immediate action to rectify
12 the problems associated with the vehicle safety inspection
13 decals and to hold accountable Parsons Environment &
14 Infrastructure Group Inc. in the interest of state taxpayers;
15 and

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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
18 Transportation is requested to better develop, improve, and
19 adhere to protocols that ensure quality control standards of the
20 Department's programs; and

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
23 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Director
24 of Transportation, and Chief of Police of each county.

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27 OFFERED BY: Will Eyer
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