## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTIONS.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII;

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to provide the
- 2 director of transportation greater authority over the motor
- 3 vehicle inspection program so that the cost to a vehicle owner
- 4 for an inspection, the fees collected from inspection stations,
- 5 and the administration of the program can be changed by amending
- 6 administrative rules pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised
- 7 Statutes. There is a need to upgrade the methods and procedures
- 8 of state motor vehicle inspections, because the current system
- 9 is inefficient in that legislation needs to be passed every time
- 10 an inspection fee is amended.
- 11 This Act also reduces the amount of insurance information
- 12 required on an inspection certificate. This will reduce data
- 13 entry requirements for inspectors without degrading the function
- 14 of checking insurance cards. Digital images of the insurance
- 15 cards will be stored for easy retrieval should a need for
- 16 additional information arise.
- 17 SECTION 2. Section 286-26, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 18 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:



Upon application for a certificate of inspection to 1 2 be issued for a vehicle, an inspection as prescribed by the 3 director under subsection (g) shall be conducted on the vehicle, 4 and if the vehicle is found to be in [a safe operating condition, compliance with the inspection requirements, a 5 6 certificate of inspection shall be issued upon payment of a fee 7 to be determined by the director. The certificate shall state 8 the [effective date, the termination date, the name of the 9 issuing insurance carrier, and the policy number of insurance expiration date shown on the motor vehicle insurance 10 11 identification card for the inspected motor vehicle as specified 12 by section 431:10C-107 or determined from a certificate of self-13 insurance issued by the state insurance commissioner as 14 specified by section 431:10C-606, or shall state the information 15 contained in the proof of insurance card as specified by section 16 431:10G-106. [A] An inspection sticker, authorized by the 17 director, shall be affixed to the vehicle at the time a 18 certificate of inspection is issued. An inspection sticker 19 which has been lost, stolen, or destroyed shall be replaced 20 without reinspection by the inspection station that issued the 21 original inspection sticker upon presentation of the vehicle's

- 1 current certificate of inspection; provided that the current
- 2 certificate of inspection and inspection sticker shall not have
- 3 expired at the time the replacement is requested. The director
- 4 shall adopt rules to determine the fee for replacement of lost,
- 5 stolen, or destroyed inspection stickers."
- 6 SECTION 3. Section 286-209, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 7 amended by amending subsections (b), (c), and (d) to read as
- 8 follows:
- 9 "(b) The director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91
- 10 for the administration and enforcement of motor carrier vehicle
- 11 safety inspections, including the maximum inspection fee to
- 12 vehicle owners, fees collected from the stations, the issuance
- 13 of certificates of safety inspection, the affixing of motor
- 14 carrier vehicle safety inspection [decals,] stickers, and the
- 15 acceptance of certificates of safety inspection issued in other
- 16 jurisdictions.
- 17 (c) The director shall collect a fee of \$1.50 for each
- 18 motor carrier vehicle safety inspection [decal] sticker issued
- 19 by motor carrier vehicle inspection stations [-], until fees
- 20 established by administrative rules pursuant to subsection (b)
- 21 are in effect, at which time the fees adopted in the

- 1 administrative rules shall apply. All moneys [collected]
- 2 received by the department of transportation under this section
- 3 shall be [paid] deposited into the state highway fund.
- 4 (d) A fee of no more than \$12 shall be charged by a motor
- 5 carrier inspection station for each safety inspection
- 6 performed[-], until the fee is established by administrative
- 7 rules pursuant to subsection (b) at which time the fee adopted
- 8 in the administrative rules shall apply."
- 9 SECTION 4. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 10 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 11 begun, before its effective date.
- 12 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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## Report Title:

Highway; Safety; Motor Vehicle Inspections; Motor Carrier Vehicle Inspections

## Description:

Expands authority of the Director of Transportation over required motor vehicle and motor carrier vehicle inspections in the State. Reduces the amount of insurance information required on an inspection certificate. (SD1)

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