
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO EVALUATE THE REGULATION OF PERSONAL VEHICLE RENTALS AND TO CONSIDER STANDARDS OF PRACTICE FOR THIS INDUSTRY.

1 WHEREAS, public modes of transportation have transformed
2 in recent years, moving away from traditional taxi services
3 and now allowing for private individuals to use their
4 personal vehicles for transportation services that were
5 traditionally occupied by taxis through transportation
6 network companies; and
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8 WHEREAS, a new mode of transportation has recently
9 developed where private individuals are now renting their
10 personal vehicles to other individuals as a commercial
11 enterprise via third party web-based platforms; and
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13 WHEREAS, in the State of Hawaii, there are anywhere up to
14 150 personal vehicles available to rent via third party web-
15 based platforms ranging from \$30 to \$550 per day; and
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17 WHEREAS, in many cases, these personal vehicles are being
18 rented to out-of-state visitors via the airport without any
19 regulation, resulting in a loss of revenue to the State; and
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21 WHEREAS, renting personal vehicles on a fee basis via
22 third party web-based platforms is currently unregulated and
23 as a result, there are no regulations in place to ensure that
24 vehicle safety standards are met, that vehicles are being
25 rented to qualified individuals, and that the vehicles have
26 adequate insurance coverage; now, therefore,
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28 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
29 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
30 of 2018, that the Department of Transportation is requested to
31 convene a working group to evaluate the regulation of personal



1 vehicle rentals and to consider standards of practice for this
2 emerging industry to ensure the safety of the public; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested
5 to research and review safety and maintenance standards,
6 liability and insurance limits, airport and public access, and
7 pricing, fees, and taxes as they pertain to personal vehicle
8 rentals; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Transportation
11 is requested to serve as the Chair of the working group and
12 to invite participation by one representative from each of
13 the following:
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15 (1) The Department of Transportation;
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17 (2) The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
18 Insurance Commissioner or the Insurance
19 Commissioner's designee;
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21 (3) The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
22 Consumer Advocate or the Consumer Advocate's
23 designee;
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25 (4) Two motor vehicle rental companies with a presence
26 in the State of Hawaii; and
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28 (5) Two licensed automobile insurers conducting business
29 in the State of Hawaii; and
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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
32 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation and
33 the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

