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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE COUNTIES TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE REGULATIONS THAT ENSURE CAR SHARING SERVICES AND OPERATIONS DO NOT NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE TRAFFIC, PARKING, AND CHARACTER OF RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS.

1 WHEREAS, visitor industry regulations protect the social, economic, and environmental needs of Hawaii's residents, local 2 3 businesses, and visitors; and 4 5 WHEREAS, car sharing platforms like Turo enable residents 6 to rent out their personal vehicles for short-term use to 7 generate income; and 8 9 WHEREAS, persons who use car sharing platforms to rent out their personal vehicles often conduct business directly from 10 11 their residential properties, potentially requiring a home occupation license in at least one county; and 12 13 14 WHEREAS, certain car owners park their vehicles in residential lots or along neighborhood streets that do not have 15 the capacity to host non-residential vehicles; and 16 17 WHEREAS, when persons who use car sharing platforms to rent 18 19 out their personal vehicles conduct business from their personal 20 residence it can create traffic, noise, and safety concerns 21 within neighborhoods; and 22 23 WHEREAS, persons who use car sharing platforms to rent out 24 their personal vehicles violate residential parking space 25 limits, take away parking spaces from other neighbors, and have a negative visual impact on neighborhoods because of their 26 27 excess vehicles; and 28 29 WHEREAS, certain transportation industries, like taxi 30 operators, are required to register with their county mass 31 transit agency and have their business license signed off by the

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county planning office, who then may grant them additional 1 2 parking for their lot; and 3 4 WHEREAS, it is important to ensure that car sharing 5 operations do not negatively impact residential neighborhoods, that residents' rights are protected, and that these operations 6 comply with local zoning and business ordinances; and 7 8 9 WHEREAS, if appropriate regulations do not already exist at the county level, the counties should enact ordinances that 10 regulate car sharing services and operations; now, therefore, 11 12 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second 13 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, 14 15 that the counties are urged to implement and enforce regulations that ensure that car sharing services and operations do not 16 negatively impact the traffic, parking, and character of 17 residential neighborhoods; and 18 19 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any county regulations enacted protect the social, economic, and environmental needs of Hawaii; 21 22 and 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 24 Resolution be transmitted to the mayor of each county, chair of 25 each county council, and director of planning of each county. 26 27 28 29 OFFERED BY: