HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO EXAMINE ITS
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND AMEND THEM TO NO LONGER REQUIRE
INDIVIDUALS TO OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION PRIOR TO
REGISTERING A MOTOR VEHICLE.

WHEREAS, requiring vehicle owners to present a valid certificate of registration in order to receive a certificate of inspection creates an arduous three-step process if the owner's certificates of inspection and registration are both expired; and

WHEREAS, first, the vehicle owner must schedule an appointment with an inspection station and receive a failed safety inspection to certify that the owner has satisfied all of the requirements of the inspection, except the certificate of registration; and

WHEREAS, second, the owner must present to the appropriate county department having jurisdiction over motor vehicle registration the failed safety check and all other required documents; and

WHEREAS, finally, the owner must return to the initial inspection station to receive a completed certificate of inspection; and

WHEREAS, this process creates extra traffic on the road, unnecessary complications for the vehicle owners, and extra work for safety inspection stations; and

WHEREAS, a majority of states do not require a safety inspection at all, and the ones that do require a safety inspection typically do not require a certificate of registration in order to receive a certificate of inspection; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, that the Department of Transportation is requested to examine its administrative rules and amend them to no longer require individuals to obtain a certificate of inspection prior to registering a motor vehicle; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation, Director of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu, Director of the Department of Customer Services of the City and County of Honolulu, Administrator of the Honolulu County Division of Motor Vehicles & Licensing, Administrator of the Vehicle Registration and Licensing Division of the County of Hawaii, Administrator of the Driver License Division and Motor Vehicle Division of the County of Kauai, and Administrator of the Motor Vehicle and Licensing Division of the County of Maui.

OFFERED BY:

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