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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WINDSHIELD TINTING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that darker tints on car windows have a measurable impact on reducing heat trapped in a car's interior. The legislature additionally finds that the current light transmittance limit of thirty-five per cent for glazing on car windows is inadequate to address the increased temperatures caused by climate change.

7 The purpose of this Act is to lower the minimum light
8 transmittance levels permitted on car window glazing materials
9 from thirty-five per cent to twenty per cent.

10 SECTION 2. Section 291-21.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 11 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

- 12 "(d) This section shall not apply to:
- 13 (1) Rearview mirrors;
- 14 (2) Adjustable nontransparent sun visors which are mounted
 15 forward of the side windows and are not attached to
 16 the glazing material;

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1 Signs, stickers, or other materials which are (3) 2 displayed in a seven-inch square in the lower corner 3 of the windshield farthest removed from the driver or signs, stickers, or other materials which are 4 5 displayed in a five-inch square in the lower corner of 6 the windshield nearest the driver; 7 (4) Rear trunk lid handle or hinges; 8 (5)Window wipers and window wiper motors; 9 (6) Transparent sun screening film materials which are 10 installed, affixed, or applied along the top edge of 11 the windshield so long as such materials do not 12 encroach upon the AS-1 portion of the windshield as 13 provided by Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 205 14 or no lower than four inches below the top of the 15 windshield, when measured from the middle point of the 16 bottom edge of the top windshield moulding if no AS-1 17 markings can be found in the left or right upper 18 margin of the windshield; 19 (7) Sun screening devices for front side wing vents and 20 windows which, when used in conjunction with the 21 glazing material have a light transmittance of no less

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1		than [thirty-five] <u>twenty</u> per cent plus or minus six
2		per cent;
3	(8)	Sun screening devices for side windows necessary for
4		driving visibility which are to the rear of the driver
5		and for rear windows necessary for driving visibility
6		which, when used in conjunction with the glazing
7		material, have a light transmittance of no less than
8		[thirty-five] <u>twenty</u> per cent plus or minus six per
9		cent;
10	(9)	Side windows which are to the rear of the driver and
11		rear windows on vans, minivans, trucks, or buses;
12		provided that the vehicles are equipped with rearview
13		mirrors on both sides;
14	(10)	Privacy drapes, curtains, or blinds, or any
15		combination, installed on the interior of motor homes;
16		or
17	(11)	Transparent sun screening materials, when applied to
18		the AS-1 portion of the windshield, which meets the
19		requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard
20		205."

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SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Motor Vehicles; Window Glazing; Levels

Description:

Lowers the level of light transmittance allowed on sun screening glazing on motor vehicle windows from thirty-five per cent to twenty per cent.

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