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The Honorable Kyle T. Yamashita, Chair and Members Committee on Finance House of Representatives Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street, Room 308 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Yamashita and Members:

SUBJECT: House Bill No. 822, H.D. 1, Relating to Motor Vehicles

I am Stason Tanaka, Acting Major of the Traffic Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD opposes House Bill No. 822, H.D. 1, Relating to Motor Vehicles.

The HPD opposes this bill that would allow motorcycles to be inspected once every two years instead of once every twelve months.

Permitting motorcycles to be safety inspected once every two years may lead to an increase in motorists operating their vehicles without updated insurance. The law may also encourage motorists to make modifications to their vehicles that do not necessarily meet the Department of Transportation's safety standards, therefore, resulting in an increase of unlawful vehicles on roadways for a longer period of time

The HPD urges you to oppose House Bill No. 822, H.D. 1, Relating to Motor Vehicles.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

Arthur J. Logan Chief of Police

Sincerely,

Stason Tanaká, Acting Major Traffic Division

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HB-822-HD-1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Victor K. Ramos	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

OPPOSE: A yearly inspection ensures that the motorcycles are street worthy. The current fee is not unreasonable. In fact, most people spend more money on their daily caffine fix.