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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF ALLOWING MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS TO PAY THEIR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND ASSOCIATED TAXES AND FEES BIANNUALLY.

WHEREAS, more than eight thousand vehicles are abandoned in 1 Hawaii every year, being an eyesore in communities, harmful to 2 the environment, and a financial burden to the counties; and 3 4 WHEREAS, some Hawaii residents are unable to pay the annual 5 taxes and fees when registering their non-new motor vehicles, 6 which oftentimes are hundreds of dollars; and 7 8 WHEREAS, these high annual registration taxes and fees may 9 cause residents to abandon their vehicles, use an illegal car on 10 the road, or struggle to keep up with other payments; and 11 12 WHEREAS, this body finds that allowing vehicle registration 13 taxes and fees to be paid biannually may reduce the number of 14 abandoned vehicles on the road and aid low-income residents 15 struggling to keep up with Hawaii's high cost of living; now, 16 therefore, 17 18 19 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular 20 Session of 2024, that the Department of Transportation is 21 requested to conduct a study on the impact of allowing motor 22 vehicle owners to pay their motor vehicle registration and 23 associated taxes and fees biannually; and 24 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of 26 Transportation is requested to submit a report of its findings 27 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the 28 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of 29 the Regular Session of 2025; and 30 31



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation.
GFFERED BY:

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