THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 1140

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE SUN SCREENING DEVICES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that while vehicle window 2 tinting regulations are necessary for law enforcement officer 3 and driver safety, there is also an unmet need from individuals 4 who are suffering from skin cancer. Exposure to the sun on a 5 constant basis may cause existing skin cancers to accelerate and 6 new skin cancers to develop. Therefore, the legislature believes that it is necessary to allow for darker window tinting 7 8 for those drivers requiring an additional protection from the 9 sun due to a diagnosis of skin cancer.

10 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to exempt from 11 motor vehicle tinting restrictions motor vehicle owners who have 12 a diagnosis of skin cancer.

13 SECTION 2. Section 291-21.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is14 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

15 "(d) This section shall not apply to:

16 (1) Rearview mirrors;



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



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1 (7) Sun screening devices for front side wing vents and 2 windows [which,] that, when used in conjunction with the glazing material have a light transmittance of no 3 4 less than thirty-five per cent plus or minus six per 5 cent; 6 (8) Sun screening devices for side windows necessary for 7 driving visibility [which] that are to the rear of the driver and for rear windows necessary for driving 8 9 visibility [which,] that, when used in conjunction with the glazing material, have a light transmittance 10 11 of no less than thirty-five per cent plus or minus six 12 per cent; (9) Side windows [which] that are to the rear of the 13 14 driver and rear windows on vans, minivans, trucks, or 15 buses; provided that the vehicles are equipped with 16 rearview mirrors on both sides: 17 Privacy drapes, curtains, or blinds, or any (10)18 combination, installed on the interior of motor homes; 19 [or] 20 (11)Transparent sun screening materials, when applied to 21 the AS-1 portion of the windshield, [which] that meets



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1		the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety
2		Standard 205[-]; or
3	(12)	For motor vehicles owned by persons having any type of
4		skin cancer, as evidenced by documentation from a
5		dermatologist licensed to practice in the State, any
6		sun screening devices that, when used in conjunction
7		with the glazing material, have a light transmittance
8		of any percentage."
9	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
10	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.	
11	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

Motor Vehicles; Safety; Equipment; Sun Screening Devices; Window Tinting; Skin Cancer; Exemptions

Description:

Exempts from restrictions on light transmittance percentages of certain motor vehicle sun screening devices persons having skin cancer.

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