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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING EACH COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT TO INCREASE ENFORCEMENT AGAINST OUT-OF-STATE VEHICLES OPERATING ON PUBLIC ROADWAYS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN PROPERLY REGISTERED IN THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, existing law requires out-of-state vehicles to 1 either register with the appropriate county or obtain a permit 2 that allows out-of-state registration and license plate to 3 4 remain valid until they expire; and 5 WHEREAS, out-of-state vehicles that are not properly 6 7 registered in Hawaii avoid contributing to the costs associated with maintaining public roadways, which creates an unfair burden 8 9 on law-abiding residents; and 10 WHEREAS, vehicles that fail to properly register may also 11 pose risks related to vehicle inspections, insurance coverage, 12 13 and overall safety standards, which can jeopardize the wellbeing of all residents and visitors using public roads; and 14 15 16 WHEREAS, the Department of Customer Services of the City and County of Honolulu alone has experienced a thirty percent 17 decrease in the number of out-of-state permits issued in 18 Honolulu over the past four years; and 19 20 21 WHEREAS, as a result, the City and County of Honolulu has been reminding motorists with out-of-state license plates that a 22 23 permit is required to operate the vehicle in the State; and 24 25 WHEREAS, the State has a vested interest in ensuring that all vehicles operating on public roadways are properly 26 registered and comply with state and county regulations, 27 28 including vehicle registration; now, therefore, 29 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third 30 31 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025,

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that each county police department is requested to increase 1 enforcement against out-of-state vehicles operating on public 2 roadways that have not been properly registered in the 3 appropriate county; and 4 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 6 Resolution be transmitted to the Chiefs of Police of each 7 8 county. 9 10 Run 11 OFFERED BY: