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HB2347 RELATING TO VEHICLE SAFETY
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
Tuesday, February 17, 2026
9:30 AM Conference Room 430

Rep. Darius K. Kila, Chair
Rep. Tyson K. Miyake, Vice Chair

Position: Support

My name is Nicolas Wong and my testimony is in support of HB2347 to allow for mobile vehicle inspections.

The current rules only allow for safety inspections to be performed at a licensed site. This rule is outdated and all information is through a tablet and program licensed by the state. Furthermore vehicles are not needed to be lifted on a car lift or driven to be inspected.

I personally have experienced multiple instances where I have made an appointment to have a safety inspection performed, only to be told the inspector is on lunch or there is no inspector today come back later, or come back next week etc. By allowing mobile safety inspections companies would be allowed to focus on safety inspections and provide this service to people their offices, warehouses, workplaces etc. and help alleviate the issue of safety inspections.

Allowing of mobile safety inspections does not negatively impact car repair facilities as most facilities view it as a burden on their mechanics. A mechanic would make far more money by fixing a vehicle instead of doing a safety inspection.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide support for HB2347. I hope you strongly consider passing this bill.

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Testimony for TRN on 2/17/2026 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Crystine Ito	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I respectfully submit testimony in support of HB2347. I previously submitted testimony in support of SB2355, and I continue to support this measure as it advances through the legislative process.

HB2347 makes a practical improvement to motor carrier safety inspections by ensuring rules allow mobile vehicle safety inspections at a location determined by the vehicle owner and inspector. This flexibility helps reduce vehicle downtime, improves scheduling, and supports ongoing compliance.

Allowing mobile inspections does not reduce safety standards. The same inspection requirements, qualified inspectors, and documentation can remain in place. This bill simply modernizes where inspections may occur.

For these reasons, I respectfully encourage the Committee to pass HB2347. Mahalo for your time and consideration.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rex Katahara	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I am writing to express my support for HB2347.

This measure introduces a common-sense update to the motor carrier safety inspection process by authorizing inspections to be performed at a location agreed upon by both the vehicle owner and the licensed inspector. Providing this option will help operators better coordinate inspections with their schedules, limit unnecessary equipment downtime, and encourage more consistent adherence to inspection requirements.

The proposal does not modify the underlying safety framework. All existing inspection procedures, recordkeeping standards, and inspector qualification requirements would remain fully in effect. The change is limited to expanding where inspections may take place, allowing the process to operate more efficiently while maintaining the same level of oversight.

I respectfully ask the Committee to move HB2347 forward. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony and for your consideration.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kenneth Shiu	Individual	Support	In Person

Comments:

I am hoping that this bill would make vehicle inspections easier.

There are areas of improvement with the current structure of safety checks. I have personally experienced many obstacles when trying to perform my safety inspection including: being turned away at inspection stations, long queues at stations that affect local traffic, no available appointments, no inspector present for the day, etc.

I imagine many driver's encounter these issues as well since I see so many vehicles with overdue inspections. Allowing safety checks to be conducted without being tied to a physical location would help to streamline the process and eliminate some of the headaches that state driver's experience. Furthermore, this could allow for new companies to be formed focused solely on safety inspections.