A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 286-47, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§286-47 Certificate of registration; certificate of ownership; containers. Upon the registration of a vehicle, the director of finance shall issue a certificate of registration to the owner and a certificate of ownership to the legal owner, or to a dealer who shall be a person licensed to sell new motor vehicles under chapter 437 which certificates shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Both the certificate of registration and the certificate of ownership shall contain upon the face thereof, the date issued, the registration number assigned to the owner and to the vehicle, the name and address of the owner and legal owner in typewriting, also such description of the registered vehicle as may be determined by the director of finance. If any of the information subsequently proves to be a
typographical error, the dealer, as defined in section 437-1.1, shall notify the director of finance of the error by a written certificate stating the reasons for and nature of the error and the correction which should be made in the certificate of registration and the certificate of ownership. Upon receipt of the dealer's certificate by the director of finance, the certificate of registration and the certificate of ownership shall be corrected accordingly so long as the correction does not constitute a change of the vehicle originally registered. A fee shall be paid to the director of finance for each instance of correction of the registration records. The fee charged for each instance of correction of the registration records shall be established by the county's legislative body;

(2) In addition to the requirements provided for in paragraph (1) above, the face of the certificate of ownership shall contain endorsement lines for the transfer of title or interest of the registered owner and legal owner, and the odometer reading of the
vehicle on the date of transfer. The reverse side of
the certificate of ownership shall contain the
application for registration by the transferee;

(3) (A) Every owner shall keep the certificate of
registration within the vehicle for which it is
registered and shall present the same at the
request of a police officer, or in the event the
vehicle is a motorcycle, shall carry such
certificate in a convenient receptacle attached
to the vehicle and which shall be presented at
the request of a police officer;

(B) This shall not apply to state or county vehicles
readily identified by the license plates and
markings on sides of such vehicles;

(C) This shall not apply to commercial vehicles
defined as rental motor vehicles, or cars shipped
by licensed car dealerships or repossession
companies. These businesses may keep a duplicate
copy of the certificate of registration within
the vehicle for which it is registered, in which
case the certificate of registration shall be
available for inspection at their principal place of business within the State; [and]

(D) This requirement to carry the certificate of registration with the vehicle shall not apply when such certificate is removed from the vehicle for the purpose of application for renewal, transfer of registration, or to record a change in the registration[; and]

(E) This shall not apply to chassis used for transporting shipping containers. The chassis owners shall keep the certificate of registration available for inspection at their principal place of business within the State."

SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun before its effective date.

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:  

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Report Title:
Certificate of Registration; Shipping Container Chassis

Description:
Exempts a business owner of a shipping container chassis from keeping a copy of the certificate of registration on the chassis. Requires the owner to make the original certificate of registration available for inspection at the principal place of business.

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