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HADA testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of
SB233 SD1

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Presented to the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
at the public hearing to be held
2 p.m. Monday, March 30, 2015
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by the Members of the Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association
Hawaii's franchised new car dealers

Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Woodson, and Members of the Committee:

I am David Rolf, representing the members of the Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association, Hawaii's franchised new car dealers.

The association strongly supports SB233 SD1 which authorizes the counties to enter into contracts with dealers and rental car companies for the electronic registration of used cars.

The language proposed to be added in the statute will allow the Director of Finance to contract with new car dealers and rental car agencies for the registration of new and USED vehicles.

Dealers will employ third-party companies to develop the software, train the dealerships, and provide support for the online connection with county departments of motor vehicles for the online electronic processing of automotive registrations.

There are already statutes on the books that stipulate that electronic records are the same, for legal purposes, as paper records.

§92-30 Copy deemed original record. A photograph, microphotograph, reproduction on film, **or electronic copy** of a government record shall be deemed to be an original record for all purposes, including introduction in evidence in all courts or administrative agencies. A transcript, exemplification, facsimile, or certified copy thereof, for

all purposes recited in this section, shall be deemed to be a transcript, exemplification, facsimile, or certified copy of the original record. [L 1945, c 26, pt of §1; RL 1955, §7-6; HRS §92-30; am L 2005, c 177, §4]

The electronic transmission and storage of documents improves a service to customers who will enjoy faster processing of their documents and eliminate a need for dealerships to, in many instances, send people to stand in line at DMVs to register a vehicle on behalf of the customers.

The addition of USED vehicles through SB233 SD1 will help modernize Hawaii's paper-centric process to an efficient electronic process...for the benefit of ALL.

HADA thanks the sponsors and co-signers of SB233 SD1 and respectfully requests that the committee pass it forward during this legislative session, changing the effective date to "upon approval."

Respectfully submitted,

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