

SB233

Measure Title: RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION.
Report Title: Motor Vehicle Registration; Used Cars
Description: Authorizes the counties to enter into contracts with dealers and rental car companies for the registration of used cars.
Companion: [HB740](#)
Package: None
Current Referral: TRA/PSM, CPN
Introducer(s): BAKER, KAHELE, KIDANI, Espero, Green, Ihara, Keith-Agaran, Nishihara, Riviere, Ruderman, Taniguchi, L. Thielen, Wakai

<u>Sort by Date</u>		Status Text
1/23/2015	S	Introduced.
1/23/2015	S	Passed First Reading.
1/26/2015	S	Referred to TRA/PSM, CPN.
2/9/2015	S	The committee(s) on TRA/PSM has scheduled a public hearing on 02-12-15 2:45PM in conference room 229.
2/12/2015	S	The committee(s) on PSM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in PSM were as follows: 3 Aye(s): Senator(s) Espero, Baker, Galuteria; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 2 Excused: Senator(s) Keith-Agaran, Slom.
2/12/2015	S	The committee(s) on TRA recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in TRA were as follows: 8 Aye(s): Senator(s) Nishihara, Harimoto, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Inouye, Kidani, Kouchi; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) Slom.
2/19/2015	S	Reported from TRA/PSM (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 342) with recommendation of passage on Second Reading and referral to CPN.
2/19/2015	S	Report adopted; Passed Second Reading and referred to CPN.
2/20/2015	S	The committee(s) on CPN will hold a public decision making on 02-26-15 9:30AM in conference room 229.



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HADA testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of
SB 233

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Presented to the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
at the public hearing to be held
9:30 a.m. Thursday, February 26, 2015
in Conference Room 229, Hawaii State Capitol

by the Members of the Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association
Hawaii's franchised new car dealers

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi, 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 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.

**Please note: Statute architecture may call for the language to be inserted in HRS 286-52—
Procedure when title of the vehicle is transferred—instead of HRS 286-42 (c).**

Both sections HRS 286-52 and HRS 286-42 are contained in Part III of Chapter 286 relating to Registration of Vehicles.

The suggested language addition to HRS 286-52 for used cars should be similar to the language found in HRS 286-42 (c) relating to new cars, but with the addition of language that also applies to the transfer of title or interest of a legal owner.

(c) The director of finance may enter into a contract with new car dealerships and motor vehicle rental companies for the registration and transfer of title or interest of a legal owner in or to a used motor vehicle registered under this part, consistent with any statute, ordinance, or provision of any applicable collective bargaining agreement. The director of finance may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 as may be necessary for the application, bonding, and procedural requirements of such contractor.

Also, HADA feels it would be best to start the program with new car dealers and then add used car dealers at some point. This is the procedure, we understand, which has been done in other states.

It is interesting to note that 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 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 and respectfully requests that the committee pass it forward during this legislative session.

Respectfully submitted,
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