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# SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT A STUDY  
ON THE NECESSITY OF VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTIONS IN HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, the manufacturing technology and standard safety  
2 features of today's automobiles greatly surpass the automobiles  
3 manufactured as recently as fifteen years ago; and  
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5           WHEREAS, the annual safety checks on vehicles today often  
6 do not uncover any material defects or safety concerns; and  
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8           WHEREAS, chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the  
9 Department of Transportation pursuant to title 19, Hawaii  
10 Administrative Rules, require frequent vehicle safety  
11 inspections; and  
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13           WHEREAS, other states have eliminated or modified their  
14 safety inspection requirements; and  
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16           WHEREAS, Hawaii's vehicle safety inspection requirements  
17 may not be necessary; now, therefore,  
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19           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature  
20 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, that the  
21 Department of Transportation is requested to conduct a study on  
22 the necessity of vehicle safety inspections in Hawaii; and  
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24           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study include:

25           (1) The feasibility of eliminating or modifying vehicle  
26 safety inspections in Hawaii; and  
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28           (2) A review of the laws of other states that have enacted  
29 laws eliminating or modifying vehicle safety  
30 inspections; and  
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33           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of  
34 Transportation is requested to submit a report of its findings



1 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the  
2 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
3 the Regular Session of 2020; and

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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
6 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation.

