

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 14, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2509

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 2509 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to clarify that proof of the ability to respond in damages for liability, on account of motor vehicle accidents occurring subsequent to the effective date of such proof, is not required upon a conviction or a license suspension or revocation for violations of the provisional licensing law, unless ordered by a court.

The Division of Motor Vehicle, Licensing and Permits Administration of the City and County of Honolulu and Mothers Against Drunk Driving testified in support of this bill.

The requirement to provide proof of financial responsibility was intended to discourage driving after conviction of serious traffic offenses or after the suspension or revocation of a driver's license. Your Committee finds that violation of the provisional license requirements, with a subsequent suspension or revocation of the provisional license, does not constitute an offense serious enough to warrant proof of financial responsibility.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2509 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,



JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



