

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 21, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2065  
S.D. 2

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 S.B. No. 2065, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is assist Hawaii's used car buyers by:

- (1) Stipulating that responsibility for paying parking citations issued to a motor vehicle rests with the registered owner of the motor vehicle incurring the parking citation at the time of the violation; and
- (2) Clarifying that unpaid parking citations do not prevent the issuance or renewal of the motor vehicle's certificate of registration and transfer of title.

The Honolulu Police Department, Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association, and Hawaii Credit Union League testified in support of this bill. The Judiciary submitted comments.

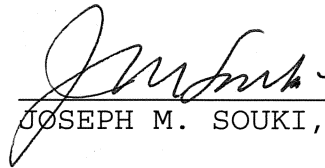
Many individuals in Hawaii purchase used vehicles. At times, the individual purchasing the used vehicle is unaware that the vehicle has unpaid citations issued against it until it is time to renew the vehicle registration. These new owners often are required to pay the citations of previous owners before being allowed to register their vehicle with the county. Your Committee



finds that these fines can often amount to hundreds of dollars and that new owners of vehicles should not be held accountable for the previous owner's actions.

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 S.B. No. 2065, S.D. 2, 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,



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JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



