

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1781

Honolulu, Hawaii

A-13, 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1047

H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 1047, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of the bill is to allow persons who are 19 years-of-age or older, and who meet certain requirements, to qualify for a commercial driver's license (CDL) to transport intrastate commerce.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Transportation Association. The Department of the Attorney General, Department of Transportation (DOT), and the Honolulu Police Department opposed this measure.

Your Committee finds that safety concerns raised by DOT can be addressed by requiring training administered by DOT. DOT also raised concerns that this measure did not include a federal requirement that persons with CDLs cannot have available deferred pleas to traffic violations.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Requiring a person to complete a training program administered by DOT to qualify for a CDL;

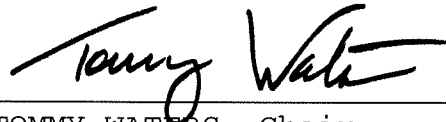
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- (2) Inserting the contents of House Bill No. 1426, which prohibit the deferred acceptance of a guilty or no contest plea from an individual who holds a commercial driver's license and is charged with a traffic violation, other than a parking violation; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for style, clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1047, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1047, H.D. 2.

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



TOMMY WATERS, Chair



