

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 246

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Health and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 246 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTIES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure the health and safety of individuals in an emergency situation with the fastest emergency response time possible.

The measure accomplishes this purpose by authorizing the respective counties, with the approval of the Department of Health, to enact ordinances to permit the use of motorcycles operated by emergency rescue workers to respond to emergency rescue calls. The measure also authorizes the counties to identify and use other appropriate response vehicles.

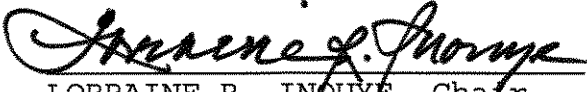
Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from Street Bikers United Hawaii and three individuals.

Your Committees find that emergency response time is often inhibited in rescue operations by intervening factors such as traffic congestion and rescue locations that are inaccessible to automobiles and ambulances. Your Committees intend to accomplish the purpose of this measure by enabling counties to permit the use of motorcycles, and other appropriate vehicles permitted by the counties, operated by emergency rescue workers to respond to emergency rescue calls.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 246 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Health and  
Intergovernmental and Military  
Affairs,


  
LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair

  
DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



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The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
MENOR, Ron				✓
WHALEN, Paul	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
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