



LATE TESTIMONY

Testimony to the Twenty -Fourth State Legislature, 2008 Session

House Committee on Transportation
The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Chair
The Honorable Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair

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Bill No. and Title: House Bill No. 1980, Relating to Traffic Infractions

Judiciary's Position:

The Judiciary does not support House Bill No. 1980. This bill proposes to amend HRS 286-137 to the extent that it would contradict HRS 604-17, which states:

§604-17 Courts of record; testimony and proceedings. The district courts shall be courts of record. The district courts shall in all cases preserve in writing, on tape, or such other mechanical device as may be appropriate, the minutes, proceedings, and testimony of their trials, transactions, and judgments, and the facts upon which their decisions rest. [L 1892, c 57, §13; RL 1925, §2285; am L 1927, c 71, §1; RL 1935, §3774; RL 1945, §9684; RL 1955, §216-15; HRS §604-17; am L 1970, c 188, §22; am L 1971, c 144, §6E]

If the intent of the bill relates to traffic abstracts, the appropriate section to amend is HRS 287-3.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.