

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

973

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 981

H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 981, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to help ensure the safety of motorists and pedestrians by resolving a number of outstanding issues in the transition to the use of ignition interlock devices by enacting recommendations made by the Ignition Interlock Implementation Task Force (Task Force) established by Act 171, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008.

The Department of Health, Honolulu Police Department, and Mothers Against Drunk Driving supported this bill. The Hawaii Insurers Council opposed this bill. The Judiciary, Department of Transportation, Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu, and the Task Force provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Adding rulemaking authority for the Department of Transportation for the purposes of the ignition interlock program;
- (2) Extending the Task Force established in Act 171, Session Laws of Hawaii, until January 1, 2011;

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- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion;
- (4) Restoring the provision that makes refusal to submit to a breath, blood, or urine test a misdemeanor; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 981, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 981, H.D. 2.

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



MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 981, HDI	Committee Referral: TRN, JUD, FIN	Date: Feb 27, 2009		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	✓			
4. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
5. BROWER, Tom	✓			
6. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
7. COFFMAN, Denny	✓			
8. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
9. KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
10. LEE, Chris	✓			
11. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
12. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				✓
14. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
16. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
17. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (17)	16	0	0	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Marilyn B. Lee</u>				
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