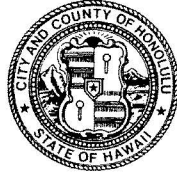


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February 12, 2009

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Chair  
and Committee Members  
Committee on Transportation  
House of Representatives  
State of Hawaii  
State Capitol, Room 403  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Souki and Committee Members:

Subject: H.B. No. 1422, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles

The City and County of Honolulu is opposed to H.B. No. 1422 which will require the counties to remove possible abandoned vehicles from private roads.

Section 290-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, already provides legal authority for private property owners to remove vehicles abandoned on their private property. If this bill is passed and since these roads are owned by private parties, the counties would be required to determine the owner(s) of the property, determine if the vehicle was left on the property without the authorization of the owner(s), and there was a notice placed in a location reasonable calculated to call the sign to the attention of potential parkers prohibiting vehicles to park on the property without authorization. This process will delay the investigations of vehicles abandoned on public roads.

The City and County of Honolulu recommends that H.B. No. 1422 be held.

Sincerely,

  
DENNIS A. KAMIMURA  
Licensing Administrator

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February 18, 2009

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Transportation  
House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Souki and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. 1422, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles

I am Major William Chur of District 5 (Kalihi) of the Honolulu Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

The Honolulu Police Department opposes House Bill No. 1422, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles. This bill would add private roads as areas where the counties would be authorized to tow abandoned vehicles.

The proper disposal of abandoned vehicles on private roads should remain the responsibility of the owner(s) of the road. Otherwise the counties would be severely impacted with the responsibility to tow the numerous vehicles which may be abandoned on private roads, including the isolated agricultural roads on all of the islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this bill.

Sincerely,

*William Chur*  
WILLIAM CHUR, Major  
District 5

APPROVED:

*Boisse P. Correa*  
BOISSE P. CORREA  
Chief of Police

**Testimony in Support of H.B. No. 1422**  
A Bill for an Act, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles

February 9, 2009

House of Representative  
State of Hawaii

Dear Representatives

Subject: H.B. No. 1422  
A Bill for an Act, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles

I just heard about the above bill and definitely support and hope you approve H.B. No. 1422. Your approval of H.B. No. 1422 will help those of us who live on private lanes = we need some legal way to have abandoned vehicles removed that are just left on our property.

I live on a private dead end lane that serves about a dozen people who live on the lane. Because it is a dead end lane we only have one access in and out. If someone decides to dump a car on our lane we are stuck because the city will not force it's removal. The lane is already small enough let alone they leave their abandoned wreck in the lane, taking up what limited space there is. It's just an eye sore. The passing of this bill might deter people from leaving their non running cars on private lanes, or assist us in not having to live with junk cars, which has caused many difficulties in our lives.

Your approval of H.B. No. 1422 would benefit my whole neighborhood where we have several private lanes.

Thank you very much for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Avis SM Loo  
2627 Nahaku Place  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

## Testimony in Support of H.B. No. 1422

A Bill for an Act, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles

House of Representative  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature, 2009  
State of Hawaii

Subject: H.B. No. **1422**  
Relating to Abandoned Vehicles

Dear Representatives

We have just been informed that there is a bill that is up for vote HB1422 . We are out of town at this time but wanted to express that we are in support of this bill. We live on a private lane in Kaimuki (2165 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Ave). On several different occasions' people that have no ownership on our lane have dumped their non running cars on our lane. We could not even drive up our lane to our house at one point. One car was removed because it blocked a fire hydrant, but others just take up space so property owners lose parking spaces. Space is so limited for guests on our lane and we are stuck with these rusty eye sores.

We request that you approve H.B. No. 1422. Your approval of H.B. No. 1422 will really help our community and Hawaii to stay the beautiful place it should be.

Thank you,

Tim and Nikki Robinson  
2165E 10<sup>th</sup> ave  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

**Testimony in Support of H.B. No. 1422**  
**A Bill for an Act, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles**  
February 16, 2009

House of Representative  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature, 2009  
State of Hawaii

Dear Representatives,

**Subject: H.B. No. 1422 A Bill for an Act, Relating to Abandoned Vehicles**

**I support and sincerely request that you approve H.B. No. 1422.** Your approval of H.B. No 1422 will allow for a lawful procedure to remove abandoned vehicles that are parked on the private lanes. Such laws are already in place for public streets. Are not private lanes PUBLIC areas? They must be accessed by the owners and others use them as well. I think it is time we addressed this issue since there are so many of these lanes in Hawaii and many people have expressed frustration in this area.

I would like to explain how this bill can only help the living environments of Hawaii. The abandoned vehicles on my lane have been there since 1980. I own a house at 3443A Wela St. in a very nice clean older neighborhood^ live on a lane that is between two streets Wela and Edna ... I have been told because the lane is Private the City and County can do nothing about this situation... Which is as follows:

Our neighbor who lives on Wela St. (not on the lane) has been using our lane to dump his broken down (2) junk cars since 1982. Needless to say that if you do not move a car for over 20 years, not even an inch, basically they are immovable now, falling apart where they sit..(see attached photos). They are rusted, no tires and he also uses them to store other garbage. There are 4 houses down our lane and we have all asked him to move the cars because it prevents access to our lane fully from the Wela St. side. We have to go to the Edna St. side to access our homes. Because the cars are falling apart and rusting ... there is oil, rusty parts falling off the car into the lane. Every weekend I have to go clean up all the metal and rusty parts that have fallen off the cars. Not to mention it is a danger to children and brings the entire neighborhood value down. It also makes our neighborhood look like a junk yard.-.you cannot fully imagine the extent of this unless you actually see the situation. I have explained it to several people and when they saw it in person, they expressed concern for the situation we all have to live in...

I called the police about the abandoned cars, but because this is on a "private" lane they cannot touch the cars. The policeman told me to talk to the Department of Environmental Quality because it is causing rats (from garbage gas and battery acid seeping out and going into our sewer system... So I did. They said they could not help^ They told me to contact Department of Motor Vehicles since the cars have not been running nor registered since 1982, maybe they could help which I did and now I am back to square one ...it is a "private" lane so they can't do anything..! am only concerned about the common area, just to make our neighborhood livable.-.we pay taxes just as everyone does but if someone was to abandon a car in front of their home on a "public" street, it would be removed.

We have no authority to take action on our own street. Requests have been made to the owner of the vehicles on behalf of the common area owners of the private lane, to remove the derelict vehicles with no success. Accordingly, your approval of H.B. No. 1422 would benefit the health and safety of our family and neighbors, as well as the many citizens living in similar situations.

Thank you very much for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

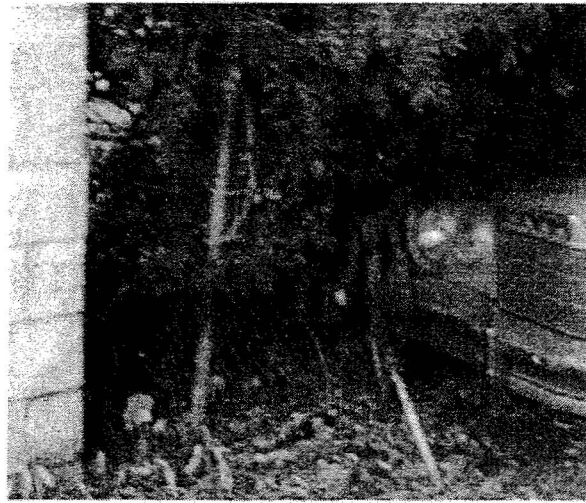
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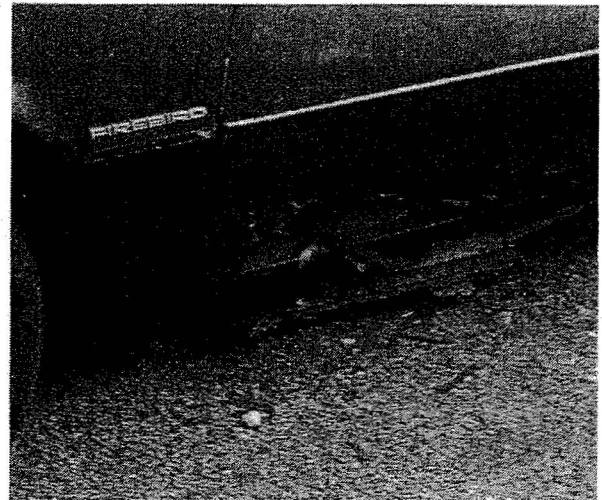
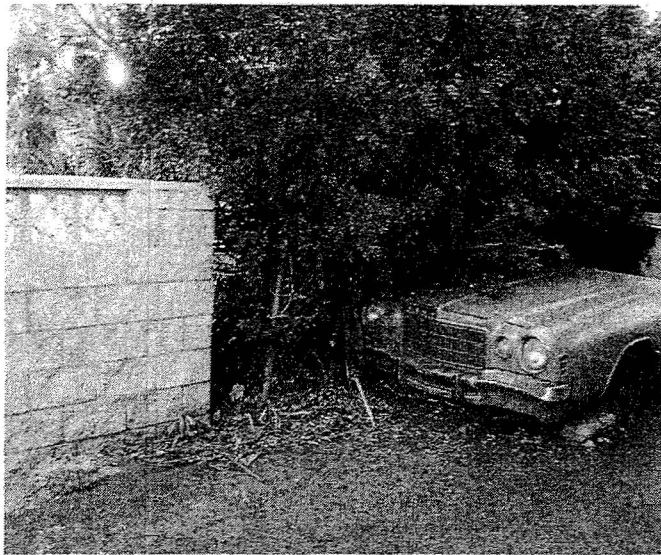




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