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February 8, 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. 1485, Relating to the Statewide Traffic Code

The City and County of Honolulu is opposed to H.B. No. 1485 which will increase the allowable speed of a neighborhood electric vehicle from 25 to 35 miles per hour.

Since the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has approved neighborhood electric vehicles or low speed vehicles to a maximum of 25 miles per hour, this legislation will be in conflict with NHTSA rules (49 C.F.R. 571-500) as well as Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which limits Neighborhood Electric Vehicle", for purposes of motor vehicle registration and titling, to speeds of 25 miles per hour or less.

The City and County of Honolulu recommends that H.B. No. 1485 be held.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis A. Kamimura".

DENNIS A. KAMIMURA  
Licensing Administrator

Attachment