

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

531

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 20, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1445

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 1445 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to increase bicycle safety by requiring the Department of Transportation (DOT) to incorporate shared lane markings as a new traffic control device.

Two individuals testified in support of this bill. DOT opposed this measure.

As the use of bicycles as an alternative mode of transportation increases, Hawaii's roadways should be made safer for bicyclists. Reducing the number and severity of bicycle crashes with vehicles is possible through the use of "shared lane markings" which are pavement markings set in a roadway that indicate the legal and appropriate bicyclist line of travel. These markings also alert motorists to pass with sufficient clearance and be cognizant of possible bicycle activity in an area.

Although your Committee understands the concerns raised by DOT regarding the circumvention of the Federal Highway Administration's established process to incorporate new traffic control devices and applications in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, the importance of increasing highway safety for bicyclists deserves further consideration.

HB1445 HSCR TRN HMS 2009-2314



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1445 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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



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JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

**HSCR 531**

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1445	Committee Referral: TRN, JUD	Date: 2/18/2009		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)				
TRN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SOUKI, Joseph M. (C)	✓			
2. AWANA, Karen Leinani (VC)	✓			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	✓			
4. HANOHANO, Faye P.	✓			
5. KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
6. LEE, Marilyn B.				✓
7. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	✓			
8. RHOADS, Karl	✓			
9. SAIKI, Scott K.	✓			
10. TAKUMI, Roy M.				✓
11. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
12. PINE, Kymberly Marcos		✓		
TOTAL (12)	9	1	0	2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <i>Karen Awana</i>				
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