

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 128

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 9, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 1093

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 1093 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to increase highway safety and provide consistency in enforcement and prosecution of commercial motor vehicle operators who drive while under the influence of an intoxicant by making the statutory language concerning blood and breathe alcohol concentration levels for commercial motor vehicle operators consistent with other statutory language concerning this issue.

The Department of Transportation, Honolulu Police Department, and Hawaii Transportation Association testified in support of this bill.


Under current laws, the alcohol concentration for commercial motor vehicle operator's suspected of operating their vehicles under the influence of an intoxicant is measured in percent by weight. A more accurate measurement of an individual's alcohol concentration, which is currently applied to drivers of other motor vehicles, is to determine the concentration of alcohol per liters of breath or per 100 milliliters or cubic centimeters of blood. Establishing the same criteria for commercial motor vehicle operators as those used for operators of regular motor



vehicles will make enforcement and prosecution of driving under the influence laws more consistent and provide safer roads for Hawaii's residents and visitors.

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. 1093 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,



JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1093	Committee Referral: TRN, JUD	Date: 2/2/11		
<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. ICHIYAMA, Linda (VC)	/			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	/			
4. CULLEN, Ty	/			
5. LEE, Marilyn B.	/			
6. LUKE, Sylvia				/
7. SAIKI, Scott K.	/			
8. TAKUMI, Roy M.	/			
9. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
10. FONTAINE, George R.	/			
11. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
TOTAL (11)	10			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><i>Linda Ichiyama</i></u>				
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