

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 14 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2617

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 2617 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PENALTIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote traffic safety by establishing a penalty for persons who violate the bumper height requirements for motor vehicles.

The Department of Transportation testified in support of this measure.

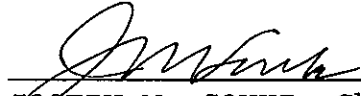
Current Hawaii law establishes bumper height requirements for motor vehicles based on a vehicle's gross vehicular weight rating and conforms with national safety standards. However, some motorists modify their vehicles in a manner that raises the bumper height to an extent that it would cause higher than normal probability of an injury in the event of a crash into the front or rear of the modified vehicle. This measure increases the safety of our roadways by addressing this situation through the application of a penalty for motorists who violate the bumper height requirements for motor vehicles.

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. 2617 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB2617 HSCR TRN HMS 2012-1806



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

H5CR 324-12

Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2617	Committee Referral: TRN, JUD	Date: 2/6/12		
<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. OKAMURA, Tom				
8. SAIKI, Scott K.	/			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.	/			
10. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
11. FONTAINE, George R.	/			
12. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
TOTAL (12)	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: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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