

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2449

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2971

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2971 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VEHICLES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the
negligent injury offense laws to include more types of vehicles
that if operated by a person in a negligent manner that results in
the bodily injury of another person, would constitute the
offenses.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Transportation; the Department of the
Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Maui; the Maui Police
Department; Mothers Against Drunk Driving Hawaii; and one private
individual.

Your Committee finds that a person is guilty of a negligent
injury offense if that person causes serious or substantial bodily
injury to another person while operating a motor vehicle. This
measure allows this negligent injury offense to also include the
negligent operation of a moped or vessel. Adding a broader
definition for vehicles under the Hawaii penal code will hold
vehicle operators more accountable for their actions, especially
when their actions involve the safety of others.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report,
your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B.

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No. 2971 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Labor,




CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB2971	Committee Referral: JDL	Date: 2/3/12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile (VC)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	5			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes