

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 19, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1753
H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 1753, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOPEDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase public safety by, among other things:

- (1) Prohibiting the use on public roadways of a moped that is not in good working order;
- (2) Extending certain police powers dealing with vehicle inspections to include mopeds;
- (3) Requiring a certificate of inspection for all mopeds; and
- (4) Requiring the annual registration of mopeds.

The Moped Noise Mitigation Working Group, GEICO, and several individuals testified in support of this measure. Soundtable Entertainment, Inc., testified in opposition to this measure. The Department of Transportation provided comments on this measure.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Director of Finance to issue moped number plates and specifying penalties for the fraudulent use of moped number plates;
- (2) Removing the certificate of inspection requirement for mopeds; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee respectfully requests that your Committee on Finance further examine whether moped dealers can act as inspection stations, the issue of hardship due to the availability of inspection stations, and the effectiveness of actually meeting the goals of the Moped Noise Mitigation Working Group.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1753, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1753, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



