

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 19 2015

RE: S.B. No. 1160
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Transportation and Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B.
No. 1160 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a
three-year pilot photo red light imaging detector system program
to improve enforcement of the traffic signal laws in all counties
and make other amendments relating to highway safety.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Transportation, Hawaii Bicycling League,
Mothers Against Drunk Driving Hawaii, and six individuals. Your
Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from
five individuals.

Your Committees find that the prevalence of drivers violating
Hawaii's traffic laws, especially on the Island of Oahu, has
become intolerable, particularly drivers who run red lights.
These violations endanger the lives of motorists and pedestrians
and compound the already hazardous conditions on Hawaii's roads
and highways. It has become increasingly common to hear reports
of hit-and-run drivers who have run over children or the elderly.
Disregarding traffic signals has also been the common denominator
in recent highly-publicized motor vehicle crashes that have
claimed lives.



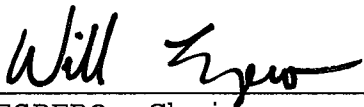
Your Committees further find that in other jurisdictions in the United States, Canada, Europe, and other countries throughout the world, the photo red light imaging detector system has already demonstrated its reliability, efficiency, and effectiveness in identifying and deterring those who run red lights.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

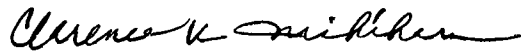
- (1) Requiring that the photo red light imaging detector system program begin at three locations to be selected by the Department of Transportation based on data relating to violations and accidents;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 30, 2022, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1160, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1160, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committees on Judiciary and Labor and Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Transportation
and Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,



WILL ESPERO, Chair




CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
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Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 1160	Committee Referral: TRA/PSU, JDL/WAM	Date: 2/12/15		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	.	✓		
ENGLISH, J. Kalani			✓	
ESPERO, Will	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	.		✓	
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5	1	2	1
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

