

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2442
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 2442 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the counties to remove and dispose of abandoned vehicles on public roads within ten business days.

The Council Member representing District 4 of the County of Hawaii, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and many individuals testified in support of this measure. The Mayor of the County of Maui, Kauai Police Department, and Department of Environmental Management of the County of Maui testified in opposition to this measure. The Department of Customer Services of the City and County of Honolulu provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the requirement of written notice to the legal and registered owner;
- (2) Requiring the counties to, upon custody, give the legal and registered owner of the vehicle twenty business days



to claim the vehicle, unless the vehicle is reported as stolen;

- (3) Allowing the counties to waive the requirement to dispose of the vehicle via public auction;
- (4) Specifying that if there is no current registration for the vehicle, it is considered "derelict" and therefore it is not required to be stored by the counties;
- (5) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2442, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2442, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,


HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



