

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2442  
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2442, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the counties to take custody and dispose of abandoned vehicles within 10 business days;
- (2) Remove the requirement that written notice be sent to the abandoned vehicle's owner;
- (3) Require the designated county agency to give the abandoned vehicle's owner 20 business days to claim the vehicle, unless it is reported as stolen;
- (4) Amend the allowable circumstances for waiving public auction requirements by authorizing the designated county agency to waive the requirements in any case; and
- (5) Specify that a vehicle shall be considered derelict if there is no current registration for the vehicle.



The Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Ho'omanapono Political Action Committee, and three individuals testified in support of this measure. The County of Hawaii Department of Environmental Management testified in opposition. The City and County of Honolulu Department of Customer Services and Kauai Police Department provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the requirement that the counties dispose of abandoned vehicles within 10 business days; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2442, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2442, H.D. 2.

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

  
SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



