

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3131**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 23 2018**

RE: H.B. No. 2601  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Transportation and Energy and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2601, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to relieve traffic congestion in the State by establishing a supplemental daily rental motor vehicle user fee to fund highway capital projects that address capacity issues.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from two Maui County councilmembers, Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization, and Kihei Community Association. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of the Attorney General, Hawai'i Lodging and Tourism Association, Maui Hotel and Lodging Association, Enterprise Holdings, Avis Budget Group, and one individual. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Transportation and Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committees find that Hawaii's traffic congestion is among the worst in the nation, worsening the quality of life for residents and visitors alike. Your Committees believe that improving capacity issues on the State's highways is an important



component of any strategy to alleviate traffic congestion in the State.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the supplemental rental motor vehicle user fee;
- (2) Increasing the rental motor vehicle surcharge by \$2 for lessees without a valid Hawaii driver's license, which shall be used for road capacity projects in the county the rental motor vehicle was operated;
- (3) Increasing the tour vehicle surcharge by \$1 for each category of tour vehicle;
- (4) Inserting an effective date of January 1, 2019; and
- (5) 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 Energy and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2601, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2601, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Transportation  
and Energy and Commerce,  
Consumer Protection, and  
Health,



ROSALYN W. BAKER, Chair



LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation and Energy**  
**TRE**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB2601 HD1	TRE/CPH, WAM	8/21/2018		
<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
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	x			
ESPERO, Will (VC)	x			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				x
HARIMOTO, Breene				x
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	x			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Will Espero</i>				
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