

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1176

H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 1176, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC GUNS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize Department of Transportation law enforcement officers to use electric guns while performing their duties and require them to be accredited in the use of such guns by June 30, 2024.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation, Department of the Attorney General, Honolulu County Republican Party, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that electric guns provide law enforcement officers a viable and safer alternative to other potentially deadly firearms when dealing with non-compliant, combative suspects. Existing laws authorize certain law enforcement officers, members of the army, and air national guard to use electric guns. However, existing law does not allow law enforcement officers at state commercial harbors, or harbor police, under the Department of Transportation to carry electric guns. Your Committee further finds that while harbor police are not currently authorized to use electric guns, they are authorized to carry firearms and therefore should also have access to electric guns.



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. 1176, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.

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


  
LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB1176, HDI</b>	Committee Referral: <b>TRS, JDC/WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/20/19</b>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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)	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)				/
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
<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: 				
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