

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14, 2020

RE: H.B. No. 1808
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 1808, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish an expedited process for addressing salvaged vehicles by allowing county directors of finance to issue certificates of ownership and salvage certificates to insurance companies, with certain conditions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Insurance Auto Auctions, Inc. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and Hawaii Insurers Council.

Your Committee finds that abandoned vehicles are unnecessarily accumulating at salvage facilities as a result of owners filing claims with insurance companies and then abandoning the vehicle without completing a title transfer. This measure establishes an expedited process to assist in the transition of ownership of salvaged vehicles between policyholders and insurers.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Specifying that the insurance company shall indemnify and hold harmless the county directors of finance from all civil liability resulting from the issuance of the certificate of ownership or salvage certificate, with limited exception;
- (2) Deleting a provision that would conflict with state insurance laws governing total loss motor vehicle claims; and
- (3) 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 Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1808, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1808, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROY M. TAKUMI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The THIRTIETH Legislature **HSCR 517-20**

Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1808 HD1	Committee Referral: TRIN, CPC, FIN	Date: 2/10/20		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKUMI, Roy M. (C)	✓			
2. ICHIYAMA, Linda (VC)	✓			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	✓			
4. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
5. CABANILLA ARAKAWA, Rida	✓			
6. CACHOLA, Romy M.	✓			
7. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
8. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
9. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
10. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
11. MATSUMOTO, Lauren	✓			
TOTAL (11)	11	0	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Rida Cabanilla Arakawa</i></u>				
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