

Honolulu, Hawaii
FEB 17 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1412
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 1412, 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 require the counties to provide a minimum distance a vehicle must be moved within a specified timeframe after a vehicle is initially inspected for abandonment to avoid an official classification of abandonment.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Council of Mayors; one member of the Maui County Council; one member of the Kaua'i County Council; one member of the Hawai'i County Council; County of Maui Department of Environmental Management; City and County of Honolulu, Department of Customer Services, Motor Vehicles, Licensing and Permitting Division; Department of Hawai'i Department of Environmental Management; Nanawale Community Association Board of Directors; and thirteen individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

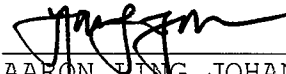
Your Committee finds that abandoned vehicles on public streets create widespread environmental issues and unsafe and unhealthy conditions for residents of the State. Abandoned vehicles also pose as a financial burden to the State and counties



as they relate to disposal costs and outstanding fines. Your Committee further finds that under existing law, a vehicle is "abandoned" if is left unattended for a continuous period of more than twenty-four hours and it is unlawfully parked on certain lands. However, there is ambiguity as to whether a vehicle may no longer be deemed abandoned if the vehicle is moved a short distance. This measure will clarify this ambiguity by requiring the any county ordinance that defines when a vehicle is "abandoned" to include a minimum distance and timeframe for a vehicle to no longer be classified as abandoned.

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. 1412, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



AARON KING JOHANSON, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1412, HD 1	Committee Referral: TRN, CPC, FIN	Date: 2/10/22		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (C)	✓			
2. KITAGAWA, Lisa (VC)	✓			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	✓			
4. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
7. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
8. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
9. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
10. TARNAS, David A.	✓			
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. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <i>Lauren Matsumoto</i>				
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