

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3427

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1413
H.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Transportation and Government Operations,
to which was referred H.B. No. 1413, H.D. 2, entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Allow the Director of Finance of a county to require payment of outstanding charges and fines owed to the county relating to the disposition of an abandoned vehicle within the county by the registered owner of the abandoned vehicle before issuing a certificate of registration or completing a transfer of ownership, except under certain circumstances; and
- (2) Require the Director of Finance of a county to notify the appropriate county examiner of drivers of individuals who have outstanding charges and fines owed to the county relating to the disposition of an abandoned vehicle for the purposes of suspending, revoking, or prohibiting the renewal of their driver's licenses.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the County of Maui Department of Environmental Management, County of Hawaii Department of Environmental Management,

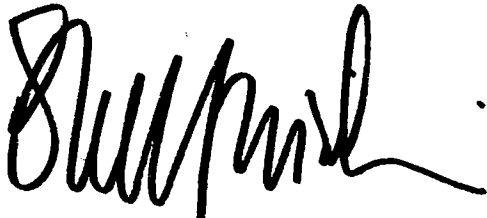


Department of Finance of the County of Kaua'i, Hawai'i Council of Mayors, Hawaii State Association of Counties, Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization, and eleven individuals.

Your Committees find that abandoned vehicles in Hawaii cost the State large amounts of money in disposal fees. Charges and fines are levied against individuals who abandon their vehicles to offset this cost, but there is no current mechanism that requires the individuals to pay the charges within a reasonable timeframe, resulting in numerous outstanding payments within the State. This measure prohibits the transfer of ownership of vehicles and the renewal of driver's licenses while an individual has an outstanding fine except under special circumstances, as well as authorizing the suspension or revocation of a license for having an outstanding fine.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and Government Operations that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1413, H.D. 2, and recommend 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
Committees on Transportation
and Government Operations,



SHARON MORIWAKI, Chair

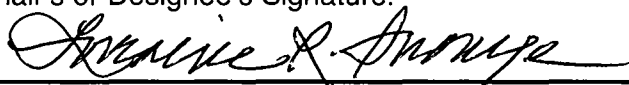


CHRIS LEE, Chair



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Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1413, HD2	TRS/GVD, JDC/WAM	3-17-2022		
<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
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
DECOITE, Lynn	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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