

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1692

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1692 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOBILE ELECTRONIC DEVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the fines imposed for mobile electronic device violations.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that according to the Fatality Analysis Reporting System, distracted drivers were involved in 23.1 percent and 16.5 percent of Hawaii's traffic fatalities in 2019 and 2020, respectively. The fines imposed for mobile electronic device violations serve as an important deterrent against cell phone use while driving, thereby reducing the number of motor vehicle fatalities and injuries in Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1692 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



