STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3556

Honolulu, Hawaii

## MAR 3 0 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1692 S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1692, S.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation, AAA Hawaii, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Fatality Analysis Reporting System statistics indicate that almost twenty-five percent of Hawai'i's one hundred eight traffic fatalities involved distracted drivers in 2019. Distracted driving is a significant threat, responsible for over three thousand fatalities each year nationwide. This measure will deter drivers from using their cell phones while driving, which will reduce motor vehicle fatalities and injuries on Hawai'i's roadways.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Inserting a fine of \$300 for mobile electronic device violations; and

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(2) Increasing the fine to \$400 for mobile electronic violations in a school zone or construction area.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1692, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1692, S.D. 2.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair

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## The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

Bill / Resolution No.:*  HB 1692, SD1	Committee Referral:			Date: 03 - 24 - 22		
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused	
RHOADS, Karl (C)						
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)						
ACASIO, Laura						
GABBARD, Mike						
KIM, Donna Mercado						
LEE, Chris						
FEVELLA, Kurt						
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TOTAL		6				
Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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