

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 24 , 2023

RE: S.C.R. No. 150

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 150 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTIES TO UPDATE THE DESIGN AND FORMAT OF VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES IN RESPONSE TO GROWING ELECTRIC VEHICLE AND HYBRID VEHICLE SALES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the counties to update the design and format of vehicle registration plates in response to growing electric vehicle and hybrid vehicle sales.

Your Committee received testimony with comments from one individual.

Your Committee finds that electric vehicle adoption is growing exponentially, with many major car manufacturers phasing out gasoline-powered cars completely by 2035. Additionally, hybrid vehicle sales have been increasing as consumers view these vehicles as a convenient middle ground between conventional gasoline-powered vehicles and electric vehicles. At the current pace of electric vehicle sales, the existing electric vehicle license plate scheme will last for only five years. Your Committee further finds that updating the present license plate schemes is necessary to accommodate shifting trends toward electric, hybrid, and gasoline-powered vehicle sales in the

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State. Your Committee therefore finds that this measure will allow the State to effectively manage the distribution and circulation of license plates as consumer trends in the automotive industry rapidly change.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 150 and recommends its adoption.

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



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



