

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 17 , 2023

RE: S.C.R. No. 73

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 73 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT AN ASSESSMENT REPORT TO EVALUATE
THE FEASIBILITY AND PRACTICALITY OF IMPLEMENTING HIGHER
LEVELS OF COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE
GENERAL AVIATION INDUSTRY AND HELICOPTER OPERATIONS AT
AIRPORTS IN THE STATE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of
Transportation to conduct an assessment report to evaluate the
feasibility and practicality of implementing higher levels of
commercial general liability insurance for the general aviation
industry and helicopter operations at airports in the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the United States Congressman Ed Case, Blue Hawaiian
Helicopters, and AeroPlex Group Partners. Your Committee received
comments on this measure from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that the general aviation industry and
operation of helicopters in a safe manner is of paramount
importance to the State. Your Committee further finds that higher
levels of required commercial general liability insurance may be
associated with increased private sector incentives to adopt

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national or worldwide best practices. Your Committee therefore finds that this measure provides an opportunity for the Department of Transportation to collect valuable data to ensure the general aviation industry, particularly helicopters, hold sufficient levels of general liability insurance for the safety of operators and passengers.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 73 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

for 
CHRIS TODD, Chair



