

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **258**-24

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12, 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1594

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 1594 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit any person convicted of operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant or habitually operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant from purchasing or publicly consuming alcohol for a certain period.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawai'i Alcohol Policy Alliance. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General; Honolulu Police Department; and Mothers Against Drunk Driving Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that this measure will help deter those convicted for operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant from drinking and driving by prohibiting them from purchasing or publicly consuming alcohol.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

2024-1255 HB1594 HD1 HSCR HMSO



- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee notes the concerns raised by the Department of the Attorney General regarding the use of the term "probation period" to describe the period of an offender's license restriction under this measure as it may be confusing in those cases where a conviction does not allow for probation.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1594, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1594, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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



CHRIS TODD, Chair



