

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3257

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1934

H.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No. 1934, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Director of Transportation to convene an Intoxicated Driving Reduction Working Group, under leadership of Hawaii's Strategic Highway Safety Plan, to make recommendations for amendments to existing laws to reduce incidents of intoxicated driving.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation, Department of Law Enforcement, Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, and Mothers Against Drunk Driving Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Transportation is in the process of updating its Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP), which includes an impaired driving emphasis area. Since the inception of the SHSP in 2007, Hawaii's traffic fatalities have dropped to an average of one hundred four each year and thirty-seven alcohol-related fatalities each year. This measure will lead to safer roadways by convening an Intoxicated Driving Reduction Working Group, under the leadership of SHSP.



Your Committee notes that the Department of Law Enforcement has expressed interest in participating in the Intoxicated Driving Reduction Working Group.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1934, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation and
Culture and the Arts,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



