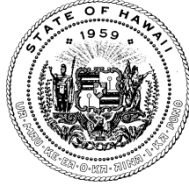


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**H.B. 2295**  
**RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE**

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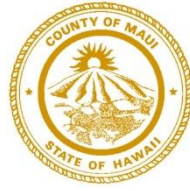
The Hawaii Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.B. 2295, which specifies that the counties may issue traffic infractions for violations of any law prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles on all highways and county property. H.B. 2295 also authorizes stopping, standing and parking restrictions and prohibitions on property under the jurisdiction of the Director of Transportation and the counties.

H.B. 2295 ensures that counties are able to issue traffic infractions where vehicles stopping, standing or parking are creating an unsafe environment on roadways and properties under HDOT or county jurisdiction.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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February 7, 2024

TO: Representative David A. Tarnas, Chair  
Representative Gregg Takayama, Vice Chair  
Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs

FROM: Richard T. Bissen, Jr., Mayor  
Marc Takamori, Director of Transportation

DATE: February 7, 2024

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF HB2295, RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **SUPPORT** of this important measure. The Act specifies that the counties may issue traffic infractions for violations of any law prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on all highways and county property. This Act also authorizes stopping, standing, and parking restrictions and prohibitions on property under jurisdiction of the Director of Transportation and the counties, respectively.

We **SUPPORT** this measure for the following reasons:

1. This bill allows the counties to issue traffic infractions for violations relating to stopping, standing, or parking vehicles on all highways and county property.
2. This bill allows designees of the Police Department to issue citations for violations of traffic laws that do not mandate the physical arrest of violators, allowing more enforcement of our county and state traffic laws.
3. This bill will allow the counties to better manage parking on County and State roadways.

For the foregoing reasons, we **SUPPORT** this measure.

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TO: The Honorable Representative David A. Tarnas, Chair, and  
Members of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

FROM: Alice L. Lee  
Council Chair 

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2024; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF  
HB2295, RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE**

I **support** this measure to allow counties to issue traffic infractions for violations of laws prohibiting or restricting stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on highways and county property.

I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

1. Allowing counties greater authority under the Statewide Traffic Code will support public safety.
2. In Maui County, there are sections of county roads where visitors stop, pull over, or park on narrow, winding roads, creating hazardous conditions for themselves, other drivers, pedestrians, and emergency services.
3. Giving counties greater authority to issue traffic infractions in these situations will help counties to address this problem, leading to increased parking management and enforcement, and offering greater deterrence.

Thank you for your consideration.

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