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S.B. 2806
RELATING TO VEHICLES

Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts and Judiciary

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) **opposes** S.B. 2806, which allows all-terrain vehicles (ATV) to drive on streets with posted speed limits of not more than 45 miles per hour, allows ATV to drive in the evening and night if they are equipped with headlights and taillights, and allows drivers of ATV to wear a safety helmet with a securely fastened chin strap. Includes in the definition of "utility-terrain vehicle" as a motor vehicle that accommodates one driver and one passenger sitting side-by-side, and up to six people in seat belts.

According to State data, from 2019 to 2023, there were two ATV deaths on our roadways. We are concerned that this bill will increase motor vehicle fatalities and injuries on our roads.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

SB-2806

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Testimony for TCA on 2/1/2024 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Victor K. Ramos	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill. Every where, one can see an increase of atv's being driven on our roadways. I would implore the Legislature to ammend the proposal to include the "age of the operator." Young children and teenagers have already been seen recklessly operating atv(s) and dirt bikes on our roadways.