

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1714

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28, 2025

RE: H.C.R. No. 136
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred
H.C.R. No. 136 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF
HONOLULU TO IMPLEMENT REGULATIONS REQUIRING PEDESTRIANS TO
WEAR REFLECTIVE GEAR BETWEEN THE HOURS OF DUSK AND DAWN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the City and County of
Honolulu to implement regulations requiring pedestrians to wear
reflective gear between the hours of dusk and dawn.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this
measure from Get Fit Kauai; Hawai'i Bicycling League; and two
individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure
from the Department of Health; Department of Transportation
Services of the City and County of Honolulu; and Life of the Land.

Your Committee finds that the City and County of Honolulu has
experienced a rise in motor vehicle collisions involving
pedestrians, with a notable increase in incidents occurring during
low-visibility hours between dusk and dawn. Research has shown
that wearing reflective gear significantly enhances pedestrian
visibility, giving drivers more time to react and prevent
accidents. However, your Committee does not want to put the onus
on pedestrians alone to ensure that drivers are paying attention.

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Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Urging the City and County of Honolulu to encourage, rather than require, pedestrians to wear reflective gear;
- (2) Amending its title in accordance with its amended purpose; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.C.R. No. 136, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 136, H.D. 1.

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

 for

DARIUS KILA, Chair



