

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1123

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.B. No. 1123 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the State Highway Modernization and Safety Council to:

- (1) Conduct a thorough evaluation of vehicle characteristics and develop a set of standards to identify high-risk vehicles; and
- (2) Submit a report to the Legislature.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation and Hawai'i Bicycling League.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Alliance for Automotive Innovation.

Your Committee finds that a core responsibility of the State is ensuring the safety of all roadway users, including pedestrians, cyclists, and other vulnerable road users. Your Committee further finds that it is necessary to conduct a review of how vehicle characteristics impact collisions between vehicles and pedestrians. By tasking the State Highway Modernization and Safety Council to conduct a thorough analysis of vehicle



characteristics, this measure will provide the Council with the knowledge to better promote public safety.

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 S.B. No. 1123 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Third Legislature
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Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts
TCA

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 1123	Committee Referral: TCA, CPN	Date: 2/4/2025		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)			✓	
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha			✓	
TOTAL	3		2	
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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