STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2936

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1899

H.D. 1

S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations, to which was referred H.B. No. 1899, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF SAFETY HELMETS BY MINORS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify where mopeds may be driven and to require drivers of mopeds who are under eighteen years of age to wear a helmet fastened by a chin strap.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Honolulu Police Department; State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company; and Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition/Safe Kids Hawaii. Testimony in opposition was received from one individual.

Your Committee finds that drivers of mopeds are particularly vulnerable to head injuries in accidents. Head injuries commonly result in permanent injury or death or in profound and disabling physical and mental effects which can be costly. This measure is intended to protect the safety of vulnerable moped drivers.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding "roadway" to highway and street; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to upon approval.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1899, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1899, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation and Government Operations,

Myserie G. Pronys.
ORRAINE R. INCUYE Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation and Government Operations (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* HB 1899 HD1	Committee Re	ferral: THW	Date:	3/13/0	6
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is to:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit (2312) (2311) (2310) (2313)					
Members		Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)					
ESPERO, Will (VC)					
BAKER, Rosalyn H.					
KANNO, Brian					
MENOR, Ron					<u> </u>
WHALEN, Paul					
TOTAL		3	1		3
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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^{*}Do <u>not</u> list more than one measure per Record of Votes.