STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1686

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1529

S.D. 2 H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 1529, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to clarify and expedite the processing of traffic infractions by, among other things:

- (1) Clearly establishing that the District Court may adjudicate civil traffic infractions charged against minors:
- (2) Clarifying that confidentiality protections afforded to minors are inapplicable to civil traffic infraction proceedings;
- (3) Consistently applying the civil standard of proof for civil traffic infraction trials;
- (4) Allowing District Courts discretionary scheduling of concurrent proceedings to address difficulties faced in complying with present concurrent scheduling requirements;
- (5) Clarifying the protections afforded to a defendant against self-incrimination;

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- (6) Promoting consistency in the manner of processing and adjudicating moving and non-moving civil traffic infractions;
- (7) Permitting the use of electronic citations; and
- (8) Requiring that the person who is the lessee of the vehicle at the time of the issuance of a traffic infraction shall be responsible for the summons or citation if the registered owner of record is the lessor of a rental or U-drive motor vehicle.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the measure from the Judiciary and Catrala-Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2112, to promote further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1529, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1529, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

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

TOMMÝ WATERS, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 1529, SD2, HD1 (HSCR 1433)	Date: 3/27/07			
Committee Referral:	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold	 Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration 			
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. WATERS, Tommy (C)				
2. OSHIRO, Blake K. (VC)				
3. CALDWELL, Kirk				
4. EVANS, Cindy				/
5. GREEN, Josh, M.D.				
6. ITO, Ken				
7. LUKE, Sylvia				
8. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	/			
9. MORITA, Hermina M.				
10. SONSON, Alex M.				
11. SOUKI, Joseph M.				
12. TSUJI, Clift				
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.				
16. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				<u> </u>
17. THIELEN, Cynthia				
TOTAL	17			6
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The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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