

THE JUDICIARY, STATE OF HAWAII

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House Committee on Transportation The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Chair The Honorable Karen Leilani Awana, Vice Chair

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Bill No. and Title: House Bill No. 62, Relating to Traffic Court Records

Purpose: Permits online requests for traffic abstracts and traffic court records.

Judiciary's Position:

The Judiciary supports the intent of House Bill No. 62, however, given the existing agreements and plans already in place and underway, this bill is not necessary. The Judiciary recognizes the public's growing expectation that more government services be available online and already provides online payment options for traffic tickets and online court case information via the judiciary website. Furnishing online certified traffic abstracts and certified traffic records will increase accessibility and make it easier for the public to obtain these certified court documents, which are currently available at the court house.

The Judiciary has an existing relationship with Hawaii Information Consortium ("HIC"), also known as eHawaii.gov, manager of the state portal. HIC has assisted the Judiciary in providing certified traffic abstracts in batch to approved corporate entities for several years. The Judiciary is already engaged in developing online interactive ordering and payment for individual traffic abstracts with HIC.

Thank you for providing the opportunity to testify on this measure.