

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 1189, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit excessively loud moped mufflers.

More specifically, this measure prohibits the modification of the exhaust system of a moped manufactured after December 31, 2013, in a manner that amplifies the noise emitted from the moped above that emitted by the original moped muffler, as indicated on the label attached to the moped in accordance with federal regulations.

The Department of Transportation and two concerned individuals submitted testimony in support of the measure. One concerned individual submitted comments on the measure.

Your Committee finds that moped mufflers that have been modified to emit more noise than the original muffler are a nuisance to residents and visitors to the State. Federal regulations require mopeds to bear a label that indicates the level of noise emitted from the muffler. This measure will prohibit modifications to moped exhaust systems that create excessive noise and allow inspectors to determine the legality of



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a moped muffler by comparing it to the federally required label on the moped.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1189, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce,

ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

	Committee Referral:		Date:	
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□ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) D Hold				
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	1			
2. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				
4. BROWER, Tom	1			
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	/			
6. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
7. CARROLL, Mele				
8. EVANS, Cindy				
9. HAR, Sharon E.				
10. ITO, Ken	1			
11. LEE, Chris				/
12. TSUJI, Clift				
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	1			
14. MCDERMOTT, Bob	1			
15. THIELEN, Cynthia				
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TOTAL (15)				4
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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