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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO REVIEW ITS ORDINANCES REGARDING THE MINIMUM DISTANCE WITHIN WHICH VEHICLES CAN PARK FROM INTERSECTIONS AND DRIVEWAYS.

WHEREAS, residents of the City and County of Honolulu find that vehicles are often parked so close to an intersection as to block a driver's view of oncoming traffic; and

WHEREAS, a driver's view of oncoming traffic is especially limited when large vans or trucks park close to intersections; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu prohibit parking within twenty feet of a crosswalk at an intersection; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu also prohibit parking within thirty feet of an intersection with a stop sign and within seventy-five feet of a traffic control signal; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu do not prohibit vehicles from parking within a minimum distance of an intersection without a crosswalk, stop sign, or traffic control signal; and

WHEREAS, residents of the City and County of Honolulu have similar safety concerns regarding vehicles that park so close to driveways as to block the view of oncoming traffic; and

WHEREAS, although the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu prohibit parking in front of a public or private driveway or within four feet of either side of a public or private driveway, four feet may not be a sufficient amount of space to ensure that a vehicle exiting a driveway can see oncoming traffic; and

WHEREAS, an obstructed view of oncoming traffic causes a significant safety hazard to drivers and pedestrians; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014, that the City and County of Honolulu is urged to review its ordinances regarding the minimum distance within which vehicles can park from intersections and driveways; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu; Director of the Department of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu; and Chair of the Honolulu City Council.

Mranne Chun Clavelan