

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 613

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred S.B. No. 613 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PENALTIES, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to enhance the penalties for a conviction of operating a vehicle after license and privilege have been suspended or revoked for operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation; Honolulu Police Department; County of Kaua'i, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney; Hawaii Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that many drivers continue to drive after conviction of operating a vehicle after license and privilege have been suspended or revoked for operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that more than half of drivers whose licenses have been revoked for operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant continue to drive illegally. This represents a substantial and unjustifiable risk to everyone on our roadways.

Increasing the penalties will create a stronger deterrent to discourage these violators from driving after their license has been suspended or revoked.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 613 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

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


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB613	Committee Referral: TRA, JDL	Date: 2/3/15		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.				✓
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	8			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Breene Ant</div>				
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