

STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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March 14, 2018 10:30 a.m. State Capitol, Room 423

S.B. 2854, S.D. 1 RELATING TO MOPEDS

House Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** S.B. 2854, S.D. 1 relating to mopeds. This bill establishes a fine not to exceed \$100 for moped owners who fail to comply with moped registration requirements.

DOT believes that higher registration compliance for all vehicles will benefit the system as a whole. All vehicles should be in the data base and all vehicle owners should pay their fair share of fees that are dedicated to the operation and maintenance of the system.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Testimony by:

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

TESTIMONY OF

LARRY S VERAY

TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION ON SB HB 2854 RELATING TO MOPEDS

MARCH 12, 2018

Aloha, Chair Henry Aquino, Vice Chair Sean Quinlan and members of House Committee on Transportation. The Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 is in total support of HB 2854 which establishes a fine not to exceed \$100 for moped owners who fail to comply with moped registration requirements.

Our board previously passed and forwarded our board resolution requesting both the State and City to develop legislation to control excessive moped noise, add license plates to mopeds to allow citizen reporting on those moped drivers with loud exhausts; and registration of all mopeds. This new law is controlling mopeds and reducing noise.

If this legislation is enacted, I firmly believe the Honolulu Police Department coupled with the citizen reporting on mopeds without registration will help reduce loud moped exhaust noise and control these vehicles on our roadways but for too long were out of control. We greatly appreciate your support and passing SB 2854.

Very respectfully,

Larry S Veray

Larry S. Veray Chair, Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21

Moped Noise Mitigation Working Group

March 12, 2018

Dear Chair Aquino, and Members of the Committee on Transportation:

Thank you for taking the time to address moped issues. On behalf of the Moped Noise Mitigation Working Group (MNMWG), we **support SB 2854.** Formed on Oahu in 2015, the MNMWG's goal is to mitigate excessive moped noise in our communities.

This bill will improve the effectiveness of the moped registration process by making the current law enforceable through fines for moped owners who do not comply with Section 249-14.1 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes. This bill corrects an oversight in Act 200 of 2016, which established regulations for moped registration and safety inspection. Through these regulations, we have already seen a decrease in the amount of excessive noise from mopeds in our communities. We expect the registration process will also provide other benefits, such as the reduction and/or recovery of stolen mopeds.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Should you have any questions, please contact MNMWG2016@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Tim Streitz
Moped Noise Mitigation Working Group