

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 21 2019

RE: H.B. No. 304

H.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 304, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Transportation, or an appropriate county agency, to post depth gauge signs on any portion of a public highway within a special flood hazard zone; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to post depth gauge signs on public highways within a special flood hazard zone.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation and one individual.

Your Committee finds that depth gauge signs alert drivers that the area is a potential flood zone. Your Committee believes that given the recent events of severe flooding throughout the State, particularly in the County of Kauai, depth gauge signs will act as a supplemental device to notify the public to exert caution when driving in potentially dangerous flood hazard areas. This measure will increase public safety by explicitly showing where flood hazard areas are located.



Your Committee notes the testimony of the Department of Transportation that each intersection requiring depth gauge signs would require four depth gauge signs at a cost of \$1,000 for each sign, or \$4,000 for each intersection.

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 H.B. No. 304, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

  
LORRAINE R. INOUYE, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**TRS**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 304, HD2	TRS, WAM	3/15/19		
<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
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Breene Harimoto</i>				
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