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September 15, 2020

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on September 15, 2020, the following bill was signed into law:

HB2590 HD2 SD2

RELATING TO AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES. Act 021 (20)

Sincerely,

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2020 STATE OF HAWAII ORIGINAL

ACT 021 H.B. NO. 2590 H.D. 2 S.D. 2

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) There is established within the department
- 2 of transportation an autonomous vehicles testing pilot program.
- 3 (b) An autonomous vehicle may be tested on any public road
- 4 in the State; provided that a conventional human driver shall
- 5 remain physically present in the vehicle at all times in case
- 6 the conventional human driver needs to intervene, supervise, or
- 7 prevent a collision or other issues during testing.
- 8 (c) The department of transportation may adopt rules
- 9 pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding the
- 10 testing of autonomous vehicles.
- 11 (d) The department of transportation shall determine which
- 12 entities shall be permitted to engage in the testing of
- 13 autonomous vehicles in the State.
- (e) As used in this section:
- 15 "Autonomous vehicle" means an automated-driving-system-
- 16 equipped vehicle capable of performing all aspects of the
- 17 dynamic driving task within its operational design domain, if

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- 1 any, including achieving a minimal risk condition, without any
- 2 intervention or supervision by a conventional human driver.
- 3 "Conventional human driver" means a person who manually
- 4 exercises in-vehicle braking, accelerating, steering, and
- 5 transmission gear selection input devices in order to operate a
- 6 motor vehicle.
- 7 SECTION 2. (a) No later than twenty days prior to the
- 8 convening of the regular session of 2023, the department of
- 9 transportation shall submit to the legislature a report of its
- 10 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
- 11 legislation, regarding the autonomous vehicles testing pilot
- 12 program.
- (b) The report shall include:
- 14 (1) A recommendation of whether autonomous vehicles are
- ready to be fully deployed in Hawaii; and
- 16 (2) Issues surrounding the feasibility and safety of the
- operation of autonomous vehicles on Hawaii's roads, as
- 18 well as other matters deemed relevant by the
- 19 department of transportation.
- 20 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 15 day of SEP , 2020

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: July 6, 2020 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2020.

President of the Perate

Clerk of the Senate

HB No. 2590, HD 2, SD 2

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: July 10, 2020 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

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