



GOV. MSG. NO. 1294

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR

July 6, 2021

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

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

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

I am transmitting herewith SB153 SD2 HD1 CD1, without my approval and with the statement of objections relating to the measure.

SB153 SD2 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC
CODE.

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

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STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 153

Honorable Members
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 153, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to the Statewide Traffic Code."

The purpose of this bill is to establish a new Hawaii Impaired Driving Council in the Department of Transportation to address and develop strategies for reducing impaired driving in Hawai'i.

This bill is objectionable because it creates a new council that duplicates efforts already underway by the Hawai'i Drug and Alcohol Intoxicated Driving group convened by the Department of Transportation. The group has been in operation for several years and focuses on driving behavior, programs, and enacting laws dealing with drinking and driving to save lives on Hawaii's roadways.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning Senate Bill No. 153 without my approval.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Y. Ige", written in a cursive style.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor of Hawai'i

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii impaired
2 driving task force was temporarily established pursuant to
3 executive order 16-02, to meet federal requirements and
4 establish comprehensive strategies for preventing and reducing
5 impaired driving behavior in Hawaii.

6 The purpose of this Act is to convene experts to address
7 unresolved questions surrounding the ignition interlock program
8 and impaired driving prevention by permanently establishing the
9 Hawaii impaired driving task force as the Hawaii impaired
10 driving prevention council and tasking it with making
11 recommendations to the legislature.

12 SECTION 2. Chapter 291E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
14 and to read as follows:

15 "§291E- Hawaii impaired driving prevention council.

16 (a) There is established the Hawaii impaired driving prevention
17 council to be placed in the department of transportation for
18 administrative purposes.



1 (b) The Hawaii impaired driving prevention council shall
2 establish comprehensive strategies for preventing and reducing
3 impaired driving, beginning with addressing the effectiveness of
4 the ignition interlock program, and make recommendations to the
5 legislature and to the counties.

6 (c) The Hawaii impaired driving prevention council shall
7 be comprised of the following members, or their designee:

8 (1) The director of transportation, who shall serve as the
9 chair of the prevention council;

10 (2) A representative from the highway safety section of
11 the department of transportation;

12 (3) The chiefs of police of the four counties;

13 (4) A prosecuting attorney;

14 (5) A representative from the office of the public
15 defender;

16 (6) A representative from the administrative driver's
17 license revocation office of the judiciary;

18 (7) A representative from the adult client victim services
19 of the judiciary;

20 (8) The chair of the house of representatives standing
21 committee on transportation; and



1 (9) The chair of the senate standing committee on
2 transportation.

3 (d) The chair of the Hawaii impaired driving prevention
4 council shall invite the following members to join the council:

5 (1) A representative from an organization with a mission
6 to reduce impaired driving fatalities; and

7 (2) A representative from an organization with ignition
8 interlock experience.

9 (e) The chair of the Hawaii impaired driving prevention
10 council may invite other interested parties to participate,
11 including those from both public and private sectors, with
12 expertise in driver licensing, traffic safety, data and traffic
13 records, treatment and rehabilitation, public health, alcohol
14 beverage control, the ignition interlock program, or driver
15 education.

16 (f) The members of the Hawaii impaired driving prevention
17 council shall serve without compensation.

18 (g) The council shall provide an annual report to the
19 legislature with any findings and recommendations."

20 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

21 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

S.B. NO. 153
S.D. 2
H.D. 1
C.D. 1


APPROVED this day of , 2021

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

Date: April 27, 2021
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate
of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai‘i, Regular Session of 2021.



President of the Senate



Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 153, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 27, 2021

Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021.



Scott K. Saiki
Speaker
House of Representatives



Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives