STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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, 2021

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 559 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 559 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require lessors of rental motor vehicles to include an option for the lessee in the motor vehicle rental agreement to contribute a sum to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the preservation and protection of the environment.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Climate Protectors Coalition. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Avis Budget Group and Enterprise Holdings.

Your Committee finds that the protection of natural resources is critical to the future of the State's tourism industry. As other states have successfully used voluntary contribution checkoff boxes to raise money for the protection of their natural resources, a similar program in Hawaii could be successful in raising funds for the State's own environmental management and visitor engagement.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 559, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 559, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection,

NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.:	ommittee Referral:				
HB 559 B	EEP, CPC, FI	, CPC, FIN 2/4/21			
θ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: θ Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) θ Hold					
θ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. LOWEN, Nicole E. (C)	/			-	
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2. MARTEN, Lisa (VC)	/				
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3. HASHEM, Mark J.	/				
4. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.					
5. PERRUSO, Amy A.	/				
6. TODD, Chris	/				
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7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane					
8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren	/	·			
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TOTAL (8)	7	0	0	1	
The recommendation is: ### Adopted ### Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: him hat					
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