

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REP. NO. 76

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 22 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 631  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1  
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 631, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to accommodate within the justice system certain traffic violators who are facing financial hardship.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Provides courts with greater discretion to adjust the payment of fees or fines for violations of certain traffic offenses based on a person's ability to pay or financial circumstances;

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- (2) Amends the ratio of imprisonment term to contumacious nonpayment, from a maximum of one day for each \$25 of a fee or fine, to a maximum of one day for each \$250 of a fee or fine; and
- (3) Increases the amount of credit given to a person committed for contumacious nonpayment, from \$25 per day to \$250 per day.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to upon approval; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 631, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 631, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



KARL RHOADS  
Chair



MARK M. NAKASHIMA  
Co-Chair



GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN  
Co-Chair



KYLE T. YAMASHITA  
Co-Chair



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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure	<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.
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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
RHOADS, Karl, Chr.	X				NAKASHIMA, Mark M., Co-Chr.	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C., Co-Chr.	X				YAMASHITA, Kyle T., Co-Chr.	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X				KOBAYASHI, Dale T.	X			
					WARD, Gene	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

A = Aye      WR = Aye with Reservations      N = Nay      E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 
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