

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1671

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2021

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RE: S.B. No. 1291
S.D. 1
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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred S.B. No. 1291, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Include autocycles equipped with handlebars in the definition of motorcycle in the Highway Safety Act; and
- (2) Exempt motorcycles and motor scooters with a roll bar or roll cage from the safety helmet requirement.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation; Arcimoto; Forth; StrataG Consulting, LLC; and four individuals.

Your Committee finds that existing law is unclear whether certain three-wheeled electric vehicles that use handlebar steering in place of a steering wheel are classified as motorcycles or autocycles. As a result, operators of these vehicles must obtain a motorcycle endorsement for operation, even though the vehicles handle very similar to front wheel drive automobiles. This measure clarifies that electric vehicles with

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three wheels and handlebars can be operated with a general class 3 driver's license.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1291, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 1291 S D1 HD1	Committee Referral: TRN, CPC	Date: 4/1/21			
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (C)					
✓					
2. KITAGAWA, Lisa (VC)					
✓					
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.					
✓					
4. HAR, Sharon E.					
✓					
5. HASHEM, Mark J.					
✓					
6. KONG, Sam Satoru					
✓					
7. MIZUNO, John M.					
✓					
8. MORIKAWA, Dee					
✓					
9. ONISHI, Richard H.K.					
✓					
10. TARNAS, David A.					
✓					
11. MATSUMOTO, Lauren					
✓					
TOTAL (11)		10	0	0	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</div>					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>Lisa Kitagawa</i>					
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