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March 29, 2022 2:00 P.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 325/Teleconference

S.B. 2118, S.D. 1, H.D. 1 RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATION

House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** S.B. 2118, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, which requires the driver of a moped to be in immediate possession of a valid driver's license or instruction permit at all times.

The DOT supports all efforts to reduce moped and scooter fatalities and injuries on Hawaii's roadways. From 2016-2020, there were 16 moped fatalities in Hawaii. This bill will make it easier for law enforcement to determine who has a driver's license/permit and those who are driving illegally.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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The Honorable Mark M. Nakashima, Chair and Members Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs House of Representatives Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street, Room 325 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Nakashima and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 2118, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to Traffic Violations

I am Bradon Ogata, Captain of the Legislative Liaison Office of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The Honolulu Police Department supports the passage of Senate Bill No. 2118, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to Traffic Violations.

The purpose of this bill is to clarify the language of Section 291C-194 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) to make it clear that this law applies to the requirement to physically possess and present a driver's license upon demand when operating a moped. The clarification is necessary to better differentiate this section from HRS Section 286-102, Licensing, which requires that a person operating a moped be duly licensed by the examiner of drivers.

The HPD supports the passage of Senate Bill No. 2118, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to Traffic Violations.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

Rade K. Vanic Interim Chief of Police

Sincerely,

Bradon ggata, Captain Legislative Liaison Office

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