

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1511

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 494
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 494, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to subject organizations that receive motor vehicles as charitable donations to the rights, responsibilities, and liabilities of transferees of the motor vehicle title or interest.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that sometimes when people donate their vehicles to a charitable organization, due to failure of proper submission of title transfer, the prior owner is still found liable for the vehicle after the title transfer to the donation company. This measure will ensure that charitable organizations are subject to the liabilities of the transferee when a vehicle is donated.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of March 22, 2075, to encourage further discussion; and



- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 494, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 494, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,



KARL RHOADS, Chair



