

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1817

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 541
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 Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 541, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VEHICLE SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require proper head lamp specifications for vehicle safety inspections; and
- (2) Require the Department of Transportation to amend its administrative rules to allow motor vehicle owners whose motor vehicle registration and safety inspection are both expired to obtain a motor vehicle safety inspection without evidence of a motor vehicle's registration before registering the motor vehicle.

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

Your Committee finds that existing law specifies that head lamps for motor vehicles be of a certain strength. However, safety inspections for motor vehicles in the State do not require that motor vehicles adhere to the head lamp requirements and



specifications found in existing law. This measure requires motor vehicles in the State to have head lamps compliant with existing law to pass a safety inspection and further requires the Department of Transportation to amend its rules regarding safety inspections to improve and streamline the process of motor vehicle safety inspections in the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 541, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair



