

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15, 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2748
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 2748 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish statewide vehicular law enforcement pursuit policies.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Policing Project at the New York University School of Law. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Honolulu Police Department and Hawai'i Police Department. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Law Enforcement.

Your Committee finds that vehicular pursuits by law enforcement officers are inherently dangerous. Your Committee further finds that setting a clear policy of when law enforcement officers should engage in a vehicular pursuit and the steps that should be taken to ensure law enforcement officers only engage in pursuit when necessary may reduce some of the danger a vehicular pursuit poses to the public and law enforcement officers. Your Committee believes that there is value in establishing a statewide policy for vehicular law enforcement pursuits but recognizes that



it may not be the State's role to establish a statewide law covering what is essentially each county's responsibility.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2748, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2748, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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



CHRIS TODD, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2748	Committee Referral: TRN, JHA	Date: 2/13/24
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

TRN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TODD, Chris (C)	✓			
2. KILA, Darius K. (VC)				✓
3. AIU, Micah P.K.		✓		
4. EVSLIN, Luke A.	✓			
5. KITAGAWA, Lisa	✓			
6. MIYAKE, Tyson K.		✓		
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.		✓		
8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren		✓		
TOTAL (8)	3	4		1

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
 If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: *Zuil Aue*