STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2603

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 6 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3348 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.B. No. 3348 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to change the state registration fee and the state vehicle weight tax amounts.

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

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Transportation, Tax Foundation of Hawaii, and Alliance for Automotive Innovation.

Your Committee finds that the State Highway Fund is currently funded from state motor vehicle registration fees, alternative fuel electric vehicle surcharges, and state motor vehicle weight taxes that pay for operations, maintenance, and improvements to land transportation facilities and serve as a state match for federal funding. According to testimony received by your Committee, these revenues perform critical construction to provide a safe, efficient, and accessible surface transportation system. This measure aims to reduce the cost of basic transportation, build safer infrastructure, and produce a more equitable method of taxation dependent upon individual usage. Your Committee finds

that more data is needed to ensure thoughtful decision-making regarding the State Highway Fund.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting its contents and inserting language to provide authority to the Director of Finance to develop means to identify additional data about vehicle registration and requiring collected data to be included in the registration database; and
- (2) Amending section 1 to reflect its amended purpose.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3348, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3348, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts,

CHRIS LEE, Chair

The Senate Thirty-Second Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts TCA

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee		Date		
SB 3348	TCA,	WAM		2-13-	2004
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)		\			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)		\			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.					
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		V		<u>.</u>	
AWA, Brenton					
	 				
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TOTAL		5			
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes