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February 12, 2024 3:01 P.M. State Capitol, Room 225 & Videoconference

## S.B. 2832 RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE

Senate Committees on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, and Transportation and Culture and the Arts

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) **supports** S.B. 2832, which specifies that the counties may issue traffic infractions for violations of any law prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles on all highways and county property. S.B. 2832 also authorizes stopping, standing and parking restrictions and prohibitions on property under the jurisdiction of the Director of Transportation and the counties.

S.B. 2832 ensures that counties are able to issue traffic infractions where vehicles stopping, standing or parking are creating an unsafe environment on roadways and properties under HDOT or county jurisdiction.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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February 11, 2024

TO: The Honorable Senator Chris Lee, Chair, and

Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the

Arts

The Honorable Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair, and

Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental

and Military Affairs

FROM: Alice L. Lee

Council Chair

SUBJECT: HEARING OF FEBRUARY 12, 2024; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF

SB2832, RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE

I **support** this measure to allow counties to issue traffic infractions for violations of laws prohibiting or restricting stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on highways and county property.

I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

- 1. Allowing counties greater authority under the Statewide Traffic Code will support public safety.
- 2. Allowing a designee of the police department to enforce these traffic infractions allows for greater flexibility in enforcement.
- 3. Giving counties authority to issue traffic infractions on property within county jurisdiction in addition to highways will allow the counties to address hazardous conditions involving vehicles that are not on a highway but are interfering with the free movement of traffic. This will lead to increased parking management, enforcement and enhanced traffic safety.

Thank you for your consideration.



## RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR. Mayor

### JOSIAH K. NISHITA Managing Director





# OFFICE OF THE MAYOR COUNTY OF MAUI 200 SOUTH HIGH STREET WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAI'I 96793

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February 12, 2024

TO: Senator Chris Lee, Chair

Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Vice Chair

Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair

Senator Brandon J.C. Elefante, Vice Chair

Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

FROM: Richard T. Bissen, Jr., Mayor

Marc Takamori, Director of Transportation

DATE: February 12, 2024

SUBJECT: SUPPORT OF SB2832, RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **SUPPORT** of this important measure. This Act specifies that the counties may issue traffic infractions for violations of any law prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on all highways and county property and also authorizes stopping, standing, and parking restrictions and prohibitions on property under jurisdiction of the Director of Transportation and the counties, respectively.

## We **SUPPORT** this measure for the following reasons:

- 1. This bill allows the counties to issue traffic infractions for violations relating to stopping, standing, or parking vehicles on all highways and county property.
- 2. This bill allows designees of the Police Department to issue citations for violations of traffic laws that do not mandate the physical arrest of violators, allowing more enforcement of our county and state traffic laws.
- 3. This bill will allow the counties to better manage parking on County and State roadways.

For the foregoing reasons, we **SUPPORT** this measure.



Submitted on: 2/12/2024 9:30:07 AM

Testimony for TCA on 2/12/2024 3:01:00 PM



Subm	itted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Michae	l Ferreira	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I thought a law like this already existed. After a couple of years of people stopping on the freeway to watch illegal firework displays, if this law puts some teeth in any older law I support it. People do not realize stopping on a busy freeway is dangerous and far too often groups of people either families or organized groups of motorists stop alongside the freeway to socialize and that is a recipe for disaster. Support.

Michael Ferreira

Makakilo