A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECT	ION 1. (a) There is established an intoxicated	
2	driving r	eduction working group within the department of	
3	transport	ation to study, investigate, and recommend	
4	transformative changes to the State's existing laws relating to		
5	the opera	tion of a vehicle while under the influence of an	
6	intoxican	t to reduce incidents of intoxicated driving.	
7	(d)	The working group shall consist of the following	
8	members o	r their designees:	
9	(1)	The director of transportation, who shall serve as the	
10		chair of the working group;	
11	(2)	A prosecutor from each county;	
12	(3)	A public defender from each county;	
13	(4)	The chair of the house standing committee on	
14		transportation; and	
15	(5)	The chair of the senate standing committee on	
16		transportation.	

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1	(C)	The chair of the working group shall invite the
2	following	individuals to become members of the working group:
3	(1)	A representative from Mothers Against Drunk Driving;
4	(2)	A representative from the Hawaii Alcohol Policy
5		Alliance; and
6	(3)	Any other person that the chair deems relevant to the
7		purposes of the working group.
8	(d)	Members of the working shall serve without
9	compensati	ion and may conduct meetings remotely to carry out the
10	purposes o	of the working group.
11	(e)	The working group shall study and investigate:
12	(1)	The role of sobriety checkpoints in high traffic
13		areas;
14	(2)	Routine saturation patrols;
15	(3)	The impact of reducing a person's permissible blood
16		alcohol level while operating a vehicle from .08 per
17		cent to .05 per cent; and
18	(4)	Means of attracting additional law enforcement to
19		sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols.
20	(f)	In conducting its work, the working group shall:

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1	(1)	Conduct informational meetings throughout the State	
2		with community stakeholders;	
3	(2)	Convene meetings to develop recommendations to better	
4		coordinate and improve the protection of pedestrians	
5		and motorists in the State; and	
6	(3)	Identify best practices and methods to sustain	
7		effective enforcement of state laws prohibiting the	
8		operation of a vehicle while under the influence of an	
9		intoxicant.	
10	(g)	The working group shall submit a report of its	
11	findings	and recommendations, including any proposed	
12	legislatio	on, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior	
13	to the co	nvening of the regular session of 2025.	
14	(h)	The working group shall cease to exist on June 30,	
15	2025.		
16	SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.		
17		INTRODUCED BY:	
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Report Title:

Driving Under the Influence; Working Group

Description:

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