

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2354

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2735

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. 2735 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require:

- (1) Driver's license examinations to test the applicant's knowledge of the dangers that larger motor vehicles present to pedestrians; and
- (2) Offenders who are found to be excessively speeding or driving while intoxicated to retake and pass their driver's license examination for each offense.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that that vehicles with a hood height greater than forty inches are forty-five percent more likely to cause dangerous accidents for pedestrians because these features are more likely to kill pedestrians. Your Committee further finds that possible penalties for excessive speeding and driving while intoxicated are fines or license suspension in a tiered-system, which may encourage drivers to be more responsible. This measure will reduce motor vehicle fatalities and injuries by deterring dangerous driving behaviors.



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. 2735 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



