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February 28, 2023

The Honorable Chris Lee, Chair
and Members
Committee on Transportation and
Culture and the Arts
State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 224
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 220, Proposed S.D. 1, Relating to License Plates

I am Stason Tanaka, Acting Major of the Traffic Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

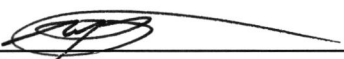
The HPD opposes Senate Bill No. 220, Proposed S.D. 1, Relating to License Plates.

The HPD opposes the proposal for the use of okinas and the use of different-sized letters on license plates. This will affect the readability of the license plates, especially at a distance. In addition, since the license plates can also be used in other states on the mainland, certain markings may not be universally recognizable.

The HPD urges you to oppose Senate Bill No. 220, Proposed S.D. 1, Relating to License Plates. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

Sincerely,



Arthur J. Logan
Chief of Police


Stason Tanaka, Acting Major
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Testimony for TCA on 2/28/2023 3:00:00 PM

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Comments:

I approve of having license plates with numbers on hybrids, and other electric cars mentioned, as I see it important to know what the license plate was in case something was to happen, or in case someone is hit. A specific license plate is easier to identify.