

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 10 2025**

RE: S.B. No. 30

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.B. No. 30 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOPEDES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require all moped drivers to wear a safety helmet when driving a moped, regardless of age.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation, Honolulu Police Department, Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition, and two individuals.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Office of the Public Defender and Moped Doctors Inc.

Your Committee finds that roadway safety is of the utmost importance to the State. According to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration, individuals wearing safety helmets when riding a motorcycle or moped see a thirty-seven percent fatality reduction when involved in accidents or crashes. By requiring every moped driver to wear a safety helmet, this measure will reduce the risk of both serious head injuries and fatalities.



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. 30 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,



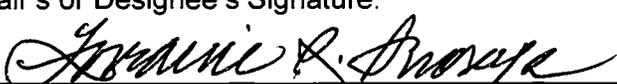
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CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-Third Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
<b>SB 30</b>	<b>TCA, JDC</b>	<i>1-30-2025</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha			✓	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>4</i>		<i>1</i>	
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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