

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 10, 2026

RE: S.B. No. 2146
S.D. 1
H.D. 2

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2146, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require and appropriate funds for the Judiciary to convene a Traffic Fines Task Force to:

- (1) Examine the Finnish traffic fines system, in which the fine amount is proportional to an offender's income and severity of the violation;
- (2) Determine whether a similar system could be implemented in the State; and
- (3) Provide recommendations as to how a proportional traffic fines system could best be implemented in the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Fines and Fees Justice Center; Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice; Hawai'i Bicycling League; and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2146, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



CHRIS TODD, Chair



