

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2154  
H.D. 1

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 2154 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a framework for the use of intelligent speed assistance technology for habitual speeders; and
- (2) Require the Department of Transportation to submit a report to the Legislature on certain data and the effectiveness of intelligent speed assistance requirements.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation; Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization; Kaua'i Police Department; Smart Start LLC; and AAA Hawai'i. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Alliance for Automobile Innovation.

Your Committee finds that excessive speeding remains a significant contributor to traffic fatalities and serious injuries in Hawaii. Traditional penalties alone may not sufficiently deter habitual speeders or meaningfully change unsafe driving habits.



Your Committee further finds that emerging intelligent speed assistance technologies offer courts a practical tool to curb habitual speeding by limiting or warning against unlawful speeds while allowing individuals to maintain restricted driving privileges. This measure provides a structured framework to address habitual speeding through technology-based interventions, while incorporating standards, privacy protections, and a reporting requirement to assess outcomes and inform future policy decisions.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting a definition for the term "active intelligent speed assistance system";
- (2) Clarifying the liability of automobile manufacturers, distributors, and retailers regarding aftermarket intelligent speed assistance systems;
- (3) Specifying provisions related to lessors and lienholders regarding aftermarket intelligent speed assistance systems;
- (4) Removing language that would have allowed the courts to require participation in speed safety programs as part of diversion for speeding-related offenses;
- (5) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2154, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2154, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.



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



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DARIUS KILA, Chair



