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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair
Senator Brandon J.C. Elefante, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 5, 2026
TIME: 3:01 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference
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A G E N D A

[SB 2556](#)

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RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

TRS, JDC

Prohibits any person from operating a motor vehicle equipped with an engine brake in certain areas. Prohibits motor vehicles that tow a vehicle or trailer from driving in the far left lane on any roadway that has three or more lanes for traffic moving in the same direction in a county with a population of five hundred thousand or more, with certain exceptions. Establishes penalties.

[SB 2558](#)

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RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

TRS, WAM

Establishes an annual vehicle registration surcharge for vehicles having a hood height greater than 40 inches for deposit into the safe routes to school program special fund.

[SB 2667](#)

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RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

TRS, JDC

Restricts motor vehicles that tow a motor vehicle or trailer from the far left lane on roads with three or more lanes going in the same direction with exemptions. Specifies penalties for restricted motor vehicles who drive in the far left lane on roads with three or more lanes moving in the same direction. Applies restrictions and penalties to a county with a population of 500,000 or more.

<u>SB 2696</u>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Beginning with the 2030 model year, requires new passenger vehicles to be equipped with passive intelligent speed assistance systems. Beginning 7/1/2030: makes circumventing or tampering with an active intelligence speed assistance system a misdemeanor; requires the Department of Transportation to select a vendor for the installation and maintenance of active intelligent speed assistance systems; and allows the Judiciary to impose the installation of active intelligent speed assistance systems as an additional penalty and as part of a license suspension or revocation for repeat offenders of certain traffic violations.	TRS, CPN/JDC
<u>SB 2680</u>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Establishes safe riding behaviors for electric bicycles. Prohibits the operation of high-speed electric devices in certain locations. Beginning 12/31/2026, establishes labeling and signage requirements for electric bicycles. Prohibits the operation of a moped or electric motorcycle in certain locations. Amends the definition of "bicycle" for purposes of county vehicular taxes. Defines "electric bicycle" in place of "low-speed electric bicycle". Defines "electric micro-mobility device" and requires the same regulations as electric foot scooters. Prohibits a person under the age of sixteen from operating a class 3 electric bicycle. Authorizes a person under the age of fourteen to operate class 2 electric bicycles under supervision. Prohibits a person from riding a class 3 electric bicycle on a sidewalk. Authorizes a person to ride a class 1 or class 2 electric bicycle on a sidewalk under certain circumstances. Prohibits a person from operating a bicycle or electric foot scooter under the age of eighteen without a helmet. Repeals the requirement that moped drivers use bicycle lanes. Substitutes the term "motor-driven cycle" with the term "motor scooter".	TRS, CPN/JDC
<u>SB 2695</u>	RELATING TO PEDESTRIAN SAFETY. Clarifies driver's obligations at crosswalks. Requires drivers to stop and remain stopped for pedestrians in crosswalks. Strengthens penalties for traffic violations, particularly in school zones. Creates additional criminal penalties when pedestrians suffer bodily injury. Provides heightened protections for blind and visually impaired pedestrians.	TRS, JDC
<u>SB 2691</u>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION AFFORDABILITY. Requires the Department of Transportation to establish a clean vehicle rebate program to provide rebates for the purchase or lease of new and used zero-emission vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles. Establishes the clean vehicle special fund. Establishes a transportation affordability and energy security tax.	TRS, WAM

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