

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1466**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**APR 10 2015**

RE: H.B. No. 436  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred  
H.B. No. 436, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require  
approaching vehicles to slow and change lanes when nearing Sheriff  
Division vehicles, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency vehicles,  
Civil Defense vehicles, Department of Transportation Harbors  
Division vehicles, Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement vehicles, and  
county emergency management vehicles that are stopped for official  
duties, by amending the definition of "emergency vehicle" in the  
statewide traffic code to include these vehicles.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Defense; Department of Transportation;  
Department of Emergency Management, City and County of Honolulu;  
Kauai Civil Defense Agency; Hawaii Government Employees  
Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; and eight individuals.

Your Committee finds that this measure is necessary to assist  
emergency management and civil defense personnel in the  
performance of their official duties in emergency or disaster  
situations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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- (1) Inserting an effective date of January 7, 2059, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 436, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 436, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Judiciary and  
Labor,



GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



