

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1100**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 2015

RE: H.B. No. 715
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 715, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase the use of alternative means of transportation by including low-speed bicycles powered by an electric motor in the definition of "bicycle", thereby allowing the use of low-speed electric bicycles on Hawaii's streets, sidewalks, and multi-use paths.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation, Ebikes Hawaii, Bicycle Product Suppliers Association, PeopleForBikes, and two individuals.

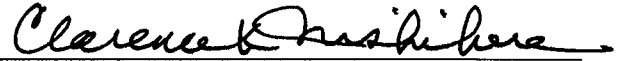
Your Committee finds that electric bicycles are becoming an increasingly important form of transportation and a more significant component of the bicycle industry. This measure is intended to statutorily recognize that electric bicycles are a type of bicycle and subject to the same laws.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.



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. 715, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 715, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

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

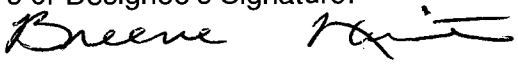


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
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<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will				✓
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	7			2
Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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