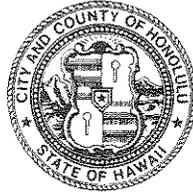


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The Honorable Todd K. Apo, Chair
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Apo and Councilmembers:

Subject: Bill 6 (2009), Relating to Vehicle Immobilization

I am Major Thomas Nitta of the Traffic Division, Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD opposes Bill 6 (2009), Relating to Vehicle Immobilization. The HPD believes it is premature for this bill to be heard at this time. The police department recommends that the City Council hold this bill until the recommended changes to the Hawaii Revised Statutes have been implemented which would allow fines collected to pay for the costs of this program.

The HPD understands the intent of this bill. However, we would like to remind the City Council to consider our reluctance in being involved with the implementation of this "boot program." The concerns that Major Susan Dowsett of the Traffic Division shared with Donovan Dela Cruz, then Chair of the City Council on May 15, 2008, are still valid.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely

Handwritten signature of Thomas T. Nitta in black ink.

Thomas T. Nitta, Major
Traffic Division

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Kirk W. Caldwell
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Boisse P. Correa
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