

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 17, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 1882
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Transportation and Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1882 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE LANES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to alleviate traffic congestion by allowing the Department of Transportation (DOT) to issue permits to businesses to use high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes during peak hours regardless of the number of vehicle occupants.

The Hawaii Transportation Association testified in support of this bill. DOT opposed this measure.

Your Committees note that questions were raised regarding whether the fees imposed under this bill were to be deposited into the general fund or State Highway Fund. Accordingly, your Committees have amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that the fees imposed under this measure for permits to operate in HOV lanes during peak hours shall be deposited into the State Highway Fund; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.




As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and Judiciary that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1882, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1882, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Transportation
and Judiciary,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



