

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1820-06

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 21, 2006

RE: S.C.R. No. 74

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred  
S.C.R. No. 74 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION TO EXPEDITE THE COMPLETION OF THE LAHAINA  
BYPASS PROJECT AS A TOP PRIORITY AND, IN COOPERATION WITH THE  
COUNTY OF MAUI AND STAKEHOLDERS, DEVELOP STRATEGIES TO REDUCE  
MOTOR VEHICLE USE INTO AND OUT OF LAHAINA ON THE ISLAND OF  
MAUI,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to improve  
traffic conditions around Lahaina, on the island of Maui, by  
requesting the Department of Transportation (DOT) to:

- (1) Place top priority on the expeditious completion of the  
Lahaina Bypass Project (Project); and
- (2) Develop strategies to reduce motor vehicle use into and  
out of Lahaina in cooperation with the County of Maui  
and various stakeholders.

The Mayor of the County of Maui, several members of the Maui  
County Council, Maui Land and Pineapple Company, Inc., Maui  
Communicators, Classic Resorts, and numerous concerned individuals  
testified in support of this concurrent resolution. DOT supported  
the intent of this measure. Kaanapali Development Corporation  
submitted comments.

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Your Committee finds that traffic congestion in the Lahaina area on the island of Maui has greatly increased and continues to be a problem for residents and visitors alike. Although a bypass road was planned for the area almost 30 years ago, no road has yet been built. Your Committee has been informed by DOT that it is currently in the process of planning the bid for the first phase of the Project, which it expects to award by the fall of 2006.

While your Committee understands the concern raised by DOT that providing monthly progress reports on the status of the Project and the motor vehicle use reduction plan may not be feasible and that quarterly reports would provide a more accurate picture of the progress of these projects, amending this measure to address this concern may result in the demise of this important issue. However, your Committee finds that should DOT determine that the provision of these monthly reports cannot be achieved in a timely manner due to other commitments, the Director of DOT should use his best discretion in determining when these reports should be furnished.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 74 and recommends its adoption.

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



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JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



