

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1728

Honolulu, Hawaii

A-13, 2007

RE: H.R. No. 204

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.R. No. 204 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STATEWIDE GREENBELTS STRATEGY TO PROMOTE IDENTIFICATION OR DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS THAT ARE BASED ON THE REDUCTION OF AUTOMOBILE USE OR ALTERNATIVES TO THE AUTOMOBILE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to reduce the State's dependency on personal automobiles and imported oil by requesting the Department of Transportation (DOT), in conjunction with the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), to develop a statewide greenbelts strategy to promote the identification or development of transportation management systems that are based on the reduction of automobile use or alternatives to the automobile.

DOT and DLNR offered comments on this resolution.


Your Committee recognizes that current land planning fosters dependency on personal automobiles by placing residences far from jobs and businesses and, as a result, causes traffic congestion, pollution, and urban sprawl, which spoil Hawaii's natural beauty. Your Committee notes however, that greenbelts benefit urban, suburban, and rural habitats by promoting non-motorized modes of transportation and create an integrated ground transportation and recreational system.

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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 H.R. No. 204 and recommends that it be referred to the Committees on Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs and Energy & Environmental Protection.

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



JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



