

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2001

Honolulu, Hawaii

JAN 30 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2156

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation and International Affairs,
to which was referred S.B. No. 2156 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WEST MAUI TRANSPORTATION
ACCESS PLAN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to create the informal,
temporary West Maui transportation access plan working group
within the Department of Transportation to develop a West Maui
transportation access plan to address road closures in West Maui.

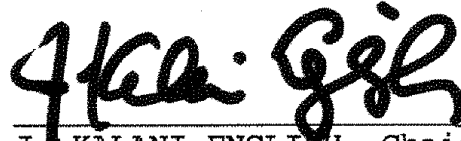
Testimony in support of this measure was received from the
Department of Transportation (Department); the Hawaii Building and
Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO; Maui Land & Pineapple
Company, Inc.; Lahaina Bypass Now, and one individual. The State
Procurement Office and one individual submitted testimony in
opposition.

Your Committee finds that the transportation access issues
addressed in this measure may also be concerns for other areas in
the State, and this planning process could serve as a model for
developing plans in areas having similar problems, such as West
Kauai, Wainee, and the Kealahou area. Your Committee notes the
Department's recommendation that the working group be the
responsibility of the County of Maui, but believes this is an
issue for continuing discussion in subsequent legislative
committees.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2156 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation and
International Affairs,



J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



