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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
HOUSE BILL NO. 2577, RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.  
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

We support the intent of this bill, but we have several concerns.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) supports the intent of this measure as long as it does not replace or adversely impact priorities as indicated in the Executive Supplemental Budget Request.

The DOT also believes that the Maui County civil defense agency has the primary responsibility to develop disaster plans to maintain transportation access during emergencies. The DOT will continue to work with all counties during emergencies to restore transportation access. However, this bill should be amended to make the Maui County civil defense agency the agency to prepare a disaster contingency plan for the Hana Highway.