

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

709

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 865
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 865 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure coordination between the State and counties when formulating the Department of Transportation's (DOT) Statewide Transportation Plan for projected transportation needs by requiring DOT to comply with county transportation and general plans.

The Department of Planning and Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu, the Council Chair of the Maui County Council, a member of the Kauai County Council, the chairman of the Kauai County Council-County Planning Committee, Building Industry Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Association of REALTORS, Hawaii Building and Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. DOT opposed this measure.

Your Committee recognizes that DOT's failure to comply with federal law will jeopardize its ability to receive federal highway and transportation funding. It is not the intent of your Committee to compromise the availability of federal funding.

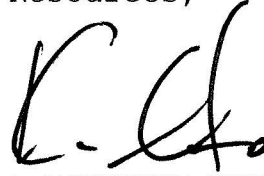
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Accordingly, your Committee has amended this bill by clarifying the provision that compliance with county plans shall be to the extent that it does not affect the receipt of federal funds.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 865, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 865, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, &
Ocean Resources,



KEN ITO, Chair



